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What's Happening

October

- 26 World Teacher's Day
- 27 Interact Colour Run
- 29 P&C Meeting (5.30pm)

November

- 1 Presentation Evening
- 2 Tuckshop Day
- 16 Valedictory Service
- Formal
- Final Day Year 12
- 19-23 Year 7 Enrolment Interviews
- 26 P&C Meeting (5.30pm)
- 30 Final Day Year 10/11

December

- 4 Year 6 Orientation Day



CITY AND COUNTRY CONVERGE

Last Tuesday we were very lucky to have a visit from Mr Simon Reeve from Channel 7's 'Weekend Sunrise' and a group of students from Somerset College on the Gold Coast. The students were involved in a two day tour of our area to help them understand the effects of the drought. During their visit they toured local farms and visited the Drought Angels. They concluded their visit to town by spending the morning with a group of Chinchilla State High School students. During their time together the students had the chance to ask each other questions and learn a little about each other's lives. The students finished off the morning with a game of basketball in the new hall followed by morning tea.

Belinda Jones
Year 12 Coordinator



From the Principal

We are a Positive Behaviour for Learning School

Our School Values that drive our daily behaviour expectations (for all of our school community) are:

- Be Respectful
- Be Responsible
- Be Safe

Dear Parents, students, staff and community supporters

Staffing News

Congratulations to Mr Stephen Rowe who has been appointed to the role of Year 9 Co-ordinator for the remainder of this term.

Dr Michael Carr-Gregg visit - Staff and Parent Information Sessions

Congratulations to the Chinchilla Cluster Schools for arranging highly-acclaimed child psychologist and parenting expert, Dr Michael Carr-Gregg, to visit Chinchilla last Monday. Dr Carr-Gregg provided our staff with excellent insight to many of the challenges relating to young people and their families in present society.

It was pleasing that strong numbers of parents were able to take advantage of the opportunity to attend the Parent Information session on Monday night. Well done to Chinchilla State School for arranging a child care option to allow parents to access the session. I am sure that all of our staff who were able to attend the sessions will look forward to continuing to build upon the knowledge gained from their sessions with Dr Carr-Gregg and continue to build great practices on supporting students and their families in our community. I would like to strongly endorse Dr Carr-Gregg's strategy to teach young people about focusing on the positives in their lives by **asking them every day to list "three positives that happened to them today."**

Somerset College, 'Sunrise' and the Drought Angels

It was a really positive experience to take part in the 'Coast to Country Tour' by students and staff from Somerset College in Mudgeree, who were also accompanied by Mr Simon Reeve from 'Weekend Sunrise'. The tour was co-ordinated as a follow-up to a recent tour by Simon in co-ordination with Drought Angels.

It was great to hear the reflections from the Somerset College students of their farm tours and the discussions on the drought and the damage caused by last week's storm. Their students blended so well with the group of our students from Year 10-12 who assembled to meet our guests and provide them with some insight into schooling in the country.

Special thanks to Mrs Carissa Liddle from the Drought Angels and Mrs Belinda Jones for her co-ordination of our students. Whilst it was only a brief meeting, it was an excellent experience for everyone involved and we will look forward to seeing the footage on the 'Sunrise' program.

Annual Presentation Evening

7.00pm Thursday 1 November in the Zeller St Hall

All parents, families and students are cordially invited to our annual awards night. This is an excellent night of celebration and entertainment, as our school community assembles to acknowledge the outstanding work that our students have completed in 2018. The length of the program is approximately two hours. We hope that you will be able to attend.

To stay informed about our school, please remember that you can access the school calendar on the school website or via the QSchools App.

Sincere thanks again to all of our families and interested community members for their support of our students, staff and school.

Kind regards
Mr Scott Rowan

A Quick Quote:

"There is only one way to happiness and that is to stop worrying about things that are beyond the power of our will."

Epictetus

P&C News

Presentation Night

The P&C helps with the provision of supper every year at Presentation Evening. If you are attending this year's Presentation Evening, we would ask you to provide a small plate of food to share for supper, which follows the formal part of the evening. Food can be dropped off from 6.15pm to the kitchen in J Block. If you are able to assist with setting out of the food, tea, coffee or cool drinks, you are invited to come along to J Block from this time as well. Your help with tidying up at the end of the night would also be appreciated.

Tuckshop Day – Friday 2 November

Students, staff and parents are encouraged to give a special thank you to our wonderful convenors, Mrs Jan Williams, Mrs Helen West and Mrs Jane Swoboda, and volunteers on Tuckshop Day, the first Friday in November. On this day we celebrate and recognise the great work that these ladies undertake every school day. This gives families one less task to worry about at the start of their day and provides students with food that helps them to concentrate and learn in class. So, make the time to say thank you and show your appreciation on Tuckshop Day!

Families and friends are warmly invited to attend

CHINCHILLA STATE HIGH SCHOOL'S

Presentation Evening

7:00 PM THURSDAY, 1 NOVEMBER 2018

CHINCHILLA STATE HIGH SCHOOL HALL

This is an opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate the outstanding talents and achievements of our students in all areas of school life.

A plate of food for supper would be appreciated. All welcome!





A valuable opportunity, 'Ignite Your Future', was created by Chinchilla's Bringing Employers and Schools Together (BEST) Group, the Chinchilla Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCCI) and the Department of Education, Small Business and Training for Year 11 students to visit local business and gain an idea of job prospects in the surrounding region.

With the day being split into two sessions, morning and afternoon, students were able to select two areas of interest from STEM, trades, health and arts/media to attend. After a busy morning session, it was back to the Cultural Centre for a Subway lunch, generously funded by Cameby Downs Mines, and a personal training/health and wellbeing talk before heading out again for the afternoon session.

Overall, the 'Ignite your Future' tour proved to be a great success. Student Josh McNamara said "It was really good. I learnt about a lot of new opportunities in the local area." Josh visited Wood Ag, Vanderfields and Cameby Downs Mine.

Thank you to everyone involved with the tour: the organisers of the day, the staff members who went with the students and the businesses who participated. It was an invaluable experience.

Businesses who gave their valuable time during the day included: Cameby Downs Coal Mine, QGC, EnVision Partners, Southern Queensland Soils, Your Pharmacy Chinchilla, Chinchilla Hospital (Queensland Health), Noelle Nevin - Occupational Therapist, Queensland Ambulance, Chinchilla Dental Practice, Wood Ag Chinchilla, Fraser Valuers, Vanderfield Chinchilla, NAB Agribusiness, Chinchilla Early Learning Centre, Darktime IT, Intelligence By Design, Lapunyah Art Gallery, Chinchilla News and RT Signs.

Savanna Evans and Ellena Welke



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Run For **RELIEF**

CHINCHILLA STATE HIGH SCHOOL INTERACT CLUB'S

COLOUR RUN 2K18

Sat 27th Oct

Clover Hill Ranch
1 Braithwaite St, Chinchilla

Registrations 8:30 am

Run Starts 9:30 am

2km/4km course

BBQ & CANTEN AVAILABLE

Tickets from High School Office & Chinchilla Mensland Children \$10 Adults \$15

All proceeds donated to **DROUGHT RELIEF**

IMPORTANT COLOUR RUN INFORMATION

The Interact Colour Run, Run for Relief, is on this Saturday 27 October at Clover Hill Ranch. **All participants must sign a consent and medical form prior to taking part in the event.** If students are under 18 years, this is to be completed by a parent/guardian. Forms can be completed at the event on Saturday or, if students will not be accompanied by a parent/guardian on the day, they can collect one from Miss Taylor at school and bring it along on the day.

Positive Behaviour for Learning

End of Term Rewards

Chinchilla State High School is a Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) school. As part of this, students receive 'Team Player Points' when they demonstrate and follow the positive behaviours as outlined in the school diary. These points can be cashed in during the year for various items such as small or large stationery items, movie tickets or even gift cards. With the school year coming to a close, students will have the opportunity to participate in various final week events, including both on and off-campus activities. Participation in the off-campus events will be dependent on the total number of Team Player Points handed in by student (regardless of any 'cash-ins' they may have done). Details regarding the number of Team Player Points required will be released closer to the end of term, so students should be aiming to collect and hand in as many Team Player Points as possible.

PBL Focus

Schools are not only places to learn the fundamentals of each subject, but they also provide an opportunity to learn life skills such as being respectful, being responsible and acting in a safe manner. The positive behaviour focus for this week is to 'Be responsible – sit as directed in your designated area'. Seating plans are organised in the classroom to allow everyone to learn. Some students need to sit at the front, some need to sit on the side, while others need to sit next to someone that will challenge them to excel in a chosen subject. The classroom is a learning environment in which students are asked to sit in their designated spot, not move around the classroom without permission and to allow others to learn by focusing on their own work. By doing these things we can make every classroom safe and a place where everybody can learn.

Adelaide Instrumental Music Tour 2018



One of the true highlights of the year for many of our Instrumental Music students was the biennial Instrumental Music Tour which saw 40 of our students and staff travel to Adelaide for a week over the September holidays.

Throughout the incredibly busy week spent in Adelaide, students were involved in many workshops and performances. Our talented Saxophone Quartet students performed upon arriving at the Adelaide Airport, and our full ensemble performed for hundreds of students at Burnside Primary School and Pulteney Grammar School. To help further enhance their rehearsal and performance skills, our students also workshopped with the incredible musicians and conductors of the South Australian Police Force Band, the South Australian Army Band and the City of Adelaide Concert Band.

Whilst the trip was certainly aimed at providing many musical opportunities for our students, we were able to experience what Adelaide had to offer by touring Adelaide Oval, Haigh's Chocolate Factory and the Adelaide Goal in addition to having fun at Mega Adventure Park, Glenelg, Adelaide Zoo and Kangaroo Island.

Trips like this are not possible without the support of parents and our school. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Scott Rowan for his continued support of the Instrumental Music Program and to Mrs Pam Widdon who provided considerable support throughout the planning stages of this trip. Lastly, my sincere thanks to Mrs Helen Hubbard, Mr Lachlan McKensey, Mrs Maria Keating and Mrs Kath Graham who travelled to Adelaide with our students and provided invaluable support and assistance throughout the week.

Mrs Kellie McKensey
Instrumental Music Teacher

NETBALL UPDATE

Junior Vicki Wilson

On 16 September our Junior Vicki Wilson Netball team travelled to Toowoomba to compete in the Darling Downs Regional Junior Vicki Wilson Competition. The girls had a very hard day with some tough competition. Despite this, everyone played in great spirit and worked hard on the court and managed to come away with some very close games. Special thanks to Sharon Jones for assisting with coaching during the day and to all the parents who cheered and scored.



Dalby Visit

We also invited Dalby State High School to a Netball challenge at the end of last term. We fielded three excellent teams and faced-off in the new Hall. A good crowd turned up and cheered our girls on.

We were fortunate with our Under 13 and Open teams cementing some convincing wins. The Under 15, a relatively new side, had very tough competition and unfortunately were not able to make it three out of three wins. It was a great afternoon with all players keen for another competition in the future.

*Mrs Renee Richards
Netball Coach*



Auction Action

Last term, the Senior Agriculture Science students went to Dalby Saleyards to experience the business of buying and selling livestock. This was part of their Term 3 unit on Cattle Production. We were fortunate enough to have Mr Terry Ryan from Landmark spend some of his time with us at school prior to our excursion to talk about his role as an Auctioneer and Livestock Agent. Inspired by this, students were keen to find out 'what makes good livestock'. We were given a personalised tour of the saleyards and the procedures that take place there, with an intense focus on animal welfare.

*Mrs Renee Richards
Acting Technology Head of Department*



Queensland All Schools Touch Football 2018

Last week, Chinchilla State High School had two teams travel to Whites Hill in Brisbane to participate in the 2018 All Schools Touch Football Competition. This is one of the largest tournaments of any sport in the Southern Hemisphere, with approximately 425 teams and 5000 athletes from Australia and overseas, including New Zealand and Singapore, competing.

The Under 15 girls team and the Under 18 mixed team have been training and attending numerous tournaments throughout the year to prepare for this event. Both teams were very competitive with the Under 15 girls finishing with four wins and three losses from seven games and the Under 18 mixed team finished with three wins and two losses and one game abandoned due to wet weather.

Both teams competed against some of the best Touch Football schools in the State, and matching it with them. Special thanks to all the parents who travelled to Brisbane for this tournament and endured horrible conditions in the rain to support their children. Thank you also to Miss Danslow who came along as Team Manager. Hopefully we will see Chinchilla State High School teams at this awesome event for years to come.

*Mr Darren Rogers
Touch Football Program Co-ordinator*





INVITATION



WW1 DISPLAY

Thurs Nov 8, 2018 – Wed Nov 14, 2018

9am – 2pm

Chinchilla RSL Sub-Branch Committee Room

Photographs, Service Records, Attestation Papers, Articles from "*Chinchilla News*",
War Memorabilia

LEST WE FORGET

Joint display by CHINCHILLA MUSEUM and the CHINCHILLA RSL SUB-BRANCH

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