While there have been an array of extra curricula activities occurring at school, the vast majority of our time is spent in the classroom ensuring that our students are successful. Over the past few days when I visited the classroom, I thought that I would bring along my camera to take you along as well.

I had the enjoyable task of answering questions from our hard-hitting journos in Mr Hutchinson’s year 9 class recently. They surprised me with their depth of knowledge and empathy for issues that affect students and the community. This is me taking a photo of them while they film me!

Our Year 7 students are doing a lot of work on improvisation techniques in Drama as they scripted and acted out their own versions of a haunted house. Ms McCulloch and Mr Hutchinson were mentors in these classrooms.

Ms Tonks decided to go to the local waterway to get her Year 10 Science students muddy and wet as they collected specimens for their study on Ecology. Gumboots did not do a great job at keeping the water out on this occasion though!

It was onto our Year 7 students where some of our best writers are doing an extension course through the Brisbane School of Distance Education. The selected 13 students seemed to be enjoying the different approaches to writing and on a medium they will become more accustomed to as NAPLAN goes online in the future. Ms Grainger was in charge on the day and, as she said, ‘stealing’ some ideas for her classroom.

Finally – it was into Ms Paul’s class who were busily working on their sandwich unit, by developing their own steak sandwich. I was very hungry watching and found Danny who let me have some of the sandwich that he had made!

On a final note, it was a sad day for our school community upon hearing of the passing of John Hughes recently. I have known John for several years and as you would be all aware he was a strong supporter of schools and advocate for our students. He sponsored events and attended many functions at our school and he will be greatly missed. I attended the Cluster of schools recently and this sentiment was prevalent from all schools, such was his influence. On behalf of the school community, I extend our deepest sympathies to John’s family and friends.
It was lovely to see so many grandparents at Grandparent Day Wednesday 11th May. A massive thank you to all the Grandparents who attended. The importance of Grandparents in the lives of children cannot be denied. Grandparents have a goldmine store of knowledge. They have a wealth of real life experiences and information to share, which may not be taught in schools. We hope all those who attended enjoyed the beautiful scones and cups of tea and coffee.

A massive thank you to Ms Paul and her reliable and diligent hospitality students.
Last Monday we said goodbye to a long-standing member of the school community – Jean McQuillan, our tuckshop convenor of many years. Twenty years of dedicated service to the students and staff of Tully High School is a wonderful achievement, a gift that we value. When she started in February, 1996, Jean was no stranger to the school, having enrolled as a Year 8 student in 1970, and leaving with a Junior Certificate in 1972. Her two children, William and Megan, also attended Tully High. So her involvement with the school has endured over a long time. As convenor, Jean was responsible for the entire business operation, managing the fine art of balancing the books, the inputs and the outputs, while providing an absolutely essential service with consistent care and pride. Typically flexible and accommodating, she changed her menus according to the latest food standards and trends; supported students’ business endeavours that frequently encroached on her territory; and somehow could remember individual customers’ particular food preferences when it came to sandwich fillings. When my magazine committee and I decided to raise publication funds by entering the school into a Peter’s Ice-cream promotional competition, it was Jean who helped remove the stickers from the hundreds of wrappers off the Billabongs that the students had obligingly devoured, Jean who pasted them on sheets for verification. It was just as important to her that we should win (which we did!), as it was to us.

At Monday morning’s assembly, Jean was officially thanked for her wonderful contribution to the welfare of students and staff during her eighty-one school terms of service. The plaque, flowers and speeches were small tributes to her years of dedication.

Thierrine Bromley.
JOHN WILSON MEMORIAL BURSARY FOR BOYS
TULLY LIONS CLUB BURSARY FOR GIRLS

The Tully Lions Club is a long term supporter of students at Tully High. On a recent parade, Val Bradley, of the Tully Lions club presented two senior students with bursaries. We are very appreciative to be chosen by the Tully Lions Club. Two bursaries were awarded – the John Wilson Memorial bursary for boys and the Tully Lions Club bursary for girls. John Wilson was a former teacher and sportsman and long standing Lion. For us to be awarded the $500 bursary, we had to satisfy the following criteria: be a student in year 12, achieve a sound or higher academic achievement, involvement in sport, participation in school and/or community activities and describe how we would benefit with financial support to further our education. Following a competitive process with written submissions, we were both successful. The funds awarded will go towards furthering our post high school education as we both plan to enrol in university. Once again we would like to thank the Tully Lions Club for their generous donations which will help take some of the financial stress off our shoulders. It is great that local students are supported by organizations such as Lions.

Thankyou.

Rivah Johnson

Edwina Winston

FIVE TULLY HIGH BOYS PLAYING FOR PENINSULA

On 5th May, Phillip Musumeci, David Musumeci, Ryan Flegler, Dylan Meeks and Khy Millwood travelled out to Longreach for five days to compete in the Under 15 Rugby League State Titles. It was a huge achievement for Tully to have five of our boys representing the Peninsula region. Their team played extremely well, winning two games, drawing one and losing one. All five boys thoroughly enjoyed their experience.
The Cross Country was run on 4 May with the sun shining and the competitors battling the heat as well as each other. Participation was excellent with the Year 12s keen to be involved in their last ever cross country event, while the Year 7s did well to adjust to the demands of this high school endurance event. All year levels participated well and the day was a resounding success.

Kirrama has traditionally done well in the cross country but this was not their year, with the team in yellow finishing a lowly fourth.

Tyson runners tried hard and were competitive, finishing the long distance event in third place.

2015 champs, Walter Hill, did well to back up last year’s win with another strong performance, but fell just short with the Green Machine finishing second to the overall winners of the day, Mackay.

The red team built their win on strong participation and some excellent performances from the U15 boys with a number of these runners placing.

Brendan Graham recorded the fastest time - 18:00:56, while the fastest female athlete was Darcie Goodman, with a time of 22:31:66.

**Age Champions:**

**U12s**
Dallas Sutton        Haylee Brown

**U13s**
Ben Smith           Elissa Quaguatia

**U14s**
Jerry Seckington    Tamsyn Hazzard

**U15s**
Sean Cains          Zoe Mackay

**U16s**
Thomas Edwards      Brittany Harlow

**Opens**
Brendan Graham      Darcie Goodman
Maths Quiz:

Week 6 Quiz: *The cost in dollars to print n books is 500 + 10n.*

*How many books are printed for a cost of $15 000?*

If you have a solution to the problem please drop it in to the SP staffroom, or email a solution to Mr Brown at mbrow499@eq.edu.au.

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From the Maths Department

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Drug Awareness Seminar
FREE COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSION
PRESENTED BY QLD HEALTH—COMMUNITY EDUCATOR
ALCOHOL, TOBACCO & OTHER DRUGS SERVICE (ATODS)

WHEN: TUESDAY 24TH May 2016
Time: 5:30pm sharp to 7:30 pm
Where: Multi Purpose Centre Tully State High School
Bruce Highway Tully

Notices & Events
24 May Drug Awareness Seminar @ 5.30 pm in the MPC
27, 28 & 29 May Malanda Cattle Handling.
30 May Yr. 7 Immunisations.
21 June P & C meeting @ 5:15 pm in the Library