I had a wonderful night at our Sports Awards Night recently. What a great concept it is — combining all schools in a cluster approach to the awarding of the year’s sporting honours. As Mr White said on the evening – ‘We all represent Tully and that makes us one’.

Former Olympic swimmer, Dyana Brown, gave an inspirational speech on her sporting experiences and how starting as a small town girl from Bourke (NSW) just like Tully, was not an impediment to her success. Casey Ivey, our Sports Captain, captured the school’s sporting highlights in an exceptional speech and then announced our new school Sports Captain for 2017 – Aimee Sinton. Congratulations must go to Aimee, all of our award recipients of the evening, and, of course, to Mr Bolus and his team of staff and Senior students who ensured the evening ran without a hitch.

Students recently listened to the speeches from our School Captain nominees. The nominees had gone through a rigorous selection process to determine that they had the characteristics and met the criteria to run for the position. Their speeches on the day were outstanding and students were given the very difficult task of deciding the best of an already brilliant group of students. Our Junior School Captain selection process is occurring as I write this article. I am looking forward to our annual Speech Night when the successful nominees will be announced. All nominees are to be congratulated for their efforts and for taking that very stressful step of speaking in front of their peers. They are already winners for getting this far.

Leadership honours are not limited to our students. Two of our teachers have been selected in very competitive Leadership programs. Mrs Sloan–Orlandi and Ms Grainger, both highly regarded staff members, were recently selected for different leadership development courses. We are very proud of them and know that this training will ultimately benefit our students and programs at school.

One of the cores value we attempt to instil in young people is the notion of empathy. It was wonderful to see many of our students and staff involved in the Relay for Life event recently. The event raises money for cancer research and support and was a moving overnight experience for all of those involved. We even won a couple of trophies – congratulations to all participants.

Finally, I would like to say Happy World Teachers’ Day to our dedicated teaching staff. The professionalism and dedication of Tully SHS staff was evident to me from the beginning of the year, and since then this commitment has been confirmed in many ways. It is still a great vocation and I commend it highly to students who are starting to think about careers they may wish to pursue.
This year’s Orpheus Island Excursion for Year 12 Biology, Science 21 and Chemistry students was the twentieth time Tully High has run this excursion. We are very lucky to be able to visit such a respected facility and work alongside marine researchers who are always genuinely impressed by the students’ work. The 29 excited students were accompanied by Mr Menzies, Mrs Moore, Mr Machin, Miss Ireland and Mrs Timms.

The students did a fantastic job drawing on their science knowledge and investigative skills to complete their assignment over the four days of the trip. Burrowing clam colour vs depth; hard and soft coral distribution; sailor’s eyeball algae; damselfish territoriality; and sulphide concentrations on the reef flat were just some of the topics studied. It was extremely satisfying for all the teaching staff to see the students’ presentations on the last day with the standard of work being some of the highest we have seen.

Congratulations to all of the students who attended for the way that they conducted themselves. They are all exceptional young adults who did an amazing job representing the school, ensuring the trip ran smoothly and all the while having fun!
On Friday 21 October, 28 students participated in the Drive 2 Live program at the Tully Showgrounds. The course gave students an opportunity to experience the effects of driver distraction and drink driving using the special ‘beer goggles’. They also chatted with members of the Queensland Police Service and ‘blew in the bag’, as well as checking over an un-roadworthy car. Students especially enjoyed being able to drive their own cars and brake suddenly in a safe and supervised setting to really experience the limitations of their vehicles. The course was heavily subsidised by the Youth Assistance Fund using donations from the community. Students learned a lot about how to be a safe driver.

On Monday 24 October, all Year 12 students participated in the Choices program. This presentation, delivered by Central Queensland University drama and music students, conveyed a great message about making safe choices on Schoolies. The students thoroughly enjoyed the entertaining performance and took away some important lessons in the lead up to Schoolies Week in a few weeks’ time.
Artificial Breeding Technologies at the Droughtmaster Stud

Earlier this year, the Senior Agricultural Science students completed a research report on artificial breeding in the beef industry. The report involved the students researching artificial insemination, reproductive physiology, endocrinology and synchronisation of the oestrus cycle.

Equipped with in-depth knowledge and understanding, we then performed a ten day synchronisation program, involving intravaginal implants and a series of hormonal injections. The goal of the synchronisation program is to have the cattle in oestrus and ovulating at the same time. The program went very well and we successfully inseminated ten stud cows last Thursday. Once again, the semen was donated by one of the most reputable Droughtmaster studs in the country. The use of such technologies ensures we have quality genetics in our breeding program, which helps to maintain our self-sustaining status.

The entire program was a valuable learning experience for the students and we are fortunate to have a resource, such as the cattle stud, to expose our students to “real world” industry experiences.
Tully’s Design Gurus

Challenged to design and create amazing solutions for real world problems, Jake Giardina and Nick Papadimitrio fulfilled the brief. Student of Design and Technology have been involved in an exciting course in 2016 combining a higher order thinking and problem solving skills to create amazing products. Jake’s under sink storage device has helped a kitchen store cleaning products with provisions to accommodate paper towel while Nick’s sunglass stand allows sunglasses to be stored in a way that prevents scratching.

Although these products seem simple yet effective, like many things in life much of the work has been done behind the scenes to ensure the success of these artefacts. These students have identified a need of a particular group then developed various ideas to satisfy the problem. From these ideas the best solution is evaluated and further developed with considerations for ergonomics, function, material, sustainability and life cycle analysis, thus ensuring the designed products are as good as they look.

We all hope that the students graduating from Tully State High’s Design and Technology program become the next great entrepreneurs, engineers, designers and architects.

Science, dance and costume met in a performance called Star Struck which year 7 – 11 Tully High students attended last week. In an interactive performance, students learnt about the universe, sounds recorded from stars, formation and features of planets and other astronomical phenomena. Pictures show the Northern Lights, the Milky Way and the constellation of The Swan. It was a very beautiful and informative presentation.
Lewis Bates-Wallis, Glaud Quagliata, Brendan Scuderi and Jerry Seckington were selected from the ASDAN program which explicitly grow skills for learning, skills for employment and skills for life. The project aims to showcase their talent, values and commitment through teamwork and organisational skills. As part of the program they have been enthusiastically assembling and locating tree chairs to a high quality standard in a timely manner. Two chairs will be assembled in the Junior Secondary precinct and one chair next to the Arts precinct. A fantastic effort and a great legacy to leave at Tully State High School.

What’s Happening at the MPC

The Multi-Purpose Centre is an excellent resource at our school and is available for hire at very reasonable costs. For many of the users of the facility we allow access and usage at a minimal cost. Last term, I reassembled the reference team who oversees the MPC; members include Council staff and local representatives. We have also instigated a new section in the newsletter entitled, What’s happening at the MPC to keep everyone informed of events and how to access the facility in the future. Lyn Macdonald oversees this facility and can be contacted directly on 40684540 or email her at lmacd27@eq.edu.au to answer any of your enquiries about the MPC.

Richard Graham
SURF LIFESAVING

The University of Queensland Secondary Surf League

On the last Thursday of Term 3 2016, fifteen students travelled to Yorkey’s Knob, Cairns, to compete in the first ever Far North Queensland High School Surf Lifesaving Championships. With outstanding results on the beach (we are fast in the sand!) there is no doubt we were the Champion ‘Beach’ event school. A number of students who had never competed in a surf lifesaving competition made finals and indeed even first place positions. Romy, Nick and Andrew all won first place in sprints and flags.

The exciting event of the day was the All Age Beach Relay, our team consisting of Hayley Brown, Ben Smith, Georgia Hayley, Andrew Brunello, Maddi Harris and Adam Hoare who convincingly crossed the finish line first with a big cheer from spectators and parents (Mrs Berge displaying great Tully SHS spirit!).

We are hoping to build on this success by taking a bigger cohort of swimmers, paddlers and runners in 2017. Our local Surf Club at Mission Beach continues to support young adults by providing training opportunities in surf lifesaving and opportunities to compete at local carnival events. For more information about when the next Bronze course will be offered see Mrs Smith.

Thank you to Mrs Berge and Mr Hayley for assisting with transport and team support.

Tully High School Surf Lifesaving team 2016

Process:

The listed items are being made available for sale by Tully State High School via tender process. Tenders must be submitted on the attached tender document.

Timeline:

Tenders will be accepted from Monday 17th October 2016 until 3pm Friday 12th November 2016. No tender will be accepted after this time.

Persons submitting the successful tender will be notified on the morning of Wednesday 16th November 2016 and are asked to finalise payment by 3pm on Friday 18th November 2016. Payment by cash, bank cheque or EFT please. A collection time must be arranged with the Administration Office to allow access to the site. All removal charges are the responsibility of the successful tenderer.

Tenders must be submitted to:

“Confidential – Offer for Items”
The Principal
Tully State High School
59337 Bruce Highway
Tully QLD 4854

Condition and Inspection of Goods:

Goods are in fair condition and offered on an “as is” basis only. Goods can be inspected by arrangement with the Administration Office from 9am Monday 17th October 2016.

After the Sale:

No warranty or backup service is available, either implied or stated. Tully State High School cannot and will not provide any support either by way of parts or expertise after item has been removed from the school.

Conditions:

The Department of Education and Training reserves the right not to accept a tender, and may set a reserve price.

Whilst all care has been taken, the Department of Education, Training and Employment disclaims all liability for loss or damage to person or property arising from the removal and subsequent use of any item for tender. Any and all utility services, above and underground, are clearly marked and all care should be taken by the remover to avoid these.
TENDER FOR 2.4m x 2.6m x 6m Storage Container

Tully State High School

This document should be enclosed in an envelope marked “CONFIDENTIAL – OFFER FOR ITEMS” and submitted to:
The Principal
Tully State High School
59337 Bruce Highway
Tully QLD 4854

Please ensure the tender arrives at the school no later than 3pm Friday 18th November 2016

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Maths Quiz:

Week 3 Term 4 Solution: The puppies: 4 children × 4 backpacks × 4 dogs × 4 puppies × 4 legs × 4 toes = 4096
The dogs: 4 children × 4 backpacks × 4 dogs × 4 legs × 4 toes = 1024
The children: 4 children × 2 legs × 5 toes = 40
The driver of the school bus: 2 legs × 5 toes = 10
Total toes = 4096 + 1024 + 40 + 10 = 5170

Week 5 Term 4 QUIZ: A carton of light bulbs was dropped while being delivered. When it was opened, it was found that 45 bulbs were broken and only 27 still worked. What percentage of the contents of the carton was broken in the accident?

GOOD LUCK

Thanks for the responses to the maths quiz. Keep them coming to the SP staffroom or email to mbrow499@eq.edu.au

What’s Happening at the MPC

3 November T.S.H.S. SOCIAL @ 6.30PM
7, 8, 9, 10 November Yr. 12 EXAM BLOCK
11 November RED FROGS PRESENTATION YR. 12
12 November SPORTING WHEELIES BASKET BALL GAMES
14 November SPEECH NIGHT
16 November YR. 12 FORMAL
18 November YR. 12 GRADUATION
21 November EXAM BLOCK.

Notices & Events

P & C Meeting—3rd Tuesday of every month — 5:15 pm in the Library
4 November Yr. 11 & 12 Rugby League Game
7 November Yr. 8 Immunisations
7 to 9 November Yr. 11 Camp
15 November — NDIS Information Session evening presentation