In order to gain recognition and motivate the Tully State High School Year 11 students, Mrs Knight (year 11 coordinator) organised a leadership camp to be held at Echo Creek during the last week of Term 3. This camp was held to recognise the leadership qualities of next year’s Senior students and uncover any hidden talents and skills. While the teachers were keeping an open eye out for any outstanding efforts for our school’s future leaders, many unbreakable bonds and unforgettable memories were made. On the morning of 16th September, the Year 11s left Tully High with great enthusiasm and energy ready for the fun and unforgettable times ahead.

For the next three days, the students were placed into four different groups and separated from their usual friendship groups in order to bond with new people. Activities such as raft building, laser tag, abseiling, rock climbing, an obstacle course and a bush walk were completed, as well as the four groups being assigned to different jobs such as cooking breakfast, lunch and dinner; cleaning up afterwards and cleaning the bathrooms. Every day the groups rotated, completing each of the activities.

One of the highlights of the camp was everyone getting to know each other better, including the teachers. I felt that I knew a little more about each person each day and getting to know people more is an awesome feeling. The boys’ humour, which they decided to display at in the form of wolf noises at midnight, was funny for a while, until we realised we weren’t getting any sleep and they might not stop. Well, they did not stop and everyone learned to live with it. We now laugh about it and think of it as our camp trademark.

The fun times we all shared together at this camp bought us all closer together as a cohort and lifelong friendships were made. A huge thank you to Mrs Knight and the various other teachers who were involved in putting the camp together, and on behalf of the Year 11 students, we thank you sincerely as it was not only enjoyable, but an experience that we will all remember forever.
REJUNEVATION OF THE DUNCAN CLARKE MEMORIAL ARBORETUM

As a culminating activity arising from last year’s Golden Jubilee committee, the Duncan Clarke Memorial arboretum was restored with the reintroduction of native and Aboriginal food plants and the purchase of three seats. The first commemorates a former Scholarship teacher seconded to Tully High, Duncan Clarke, after whom the arboretum was named. He was instrumental in preventing this area of forest from being cleared, and established it as an outdoor learning and recreation area. This seat was sponsored by the Clarke family.

The Pat Turner Memorial Plaque and tree destroyed in the cyclone, were replaced by the second memorial chair. Pat Turner was a revered teacher and mentor at Tully High from its very early days until the end of his career. He was an advocate for the Arts and used the arboretum to stage plays such as A Midsummer Night’s Dream and Snow White and the Seven Bikies. Walter Hill was Pat’s team and he championed them strongly. His partner, Sue Smith, also a former long standing teacher of Tully High, contributed to the funding of this seat.

The third seat, donated by the Tully Tyson Masonic Lodge, was organised by Alf Macdonald. Alf, a key driver on the Silver Jubilee committee, was pivotal in the organisation, purchase and reconstruction of this area.

Zest

“Living Life with a sense of excitement, anticipation and energy”

Often as we get older, we lose the happy-go-lucky approach to life. We start focusing on problems to be solved, on things to be improved, on behaviours that need to be fixed or eliminated, on foods we shouldn’t eat. Older adults laugh on average 17 times a day, while children laugh hundreds of times. Our survival instincts always prioritized focusing on the negative, however, this doesn’t serve our need for happiness and playfulness much.

Students are taught in Positive Education that if they are stuck in a negative thinking cycle, they need to rewire their brain and change their thinking patterns. Some practices that have been scientifically proven to rewire our brains is listing things you are grateful for, saying positive affirmations, enumerating things that are going well in your life and celebrating small victories.

The students recently had to think about what gives them zest for life. Which activity gave them enthusiasm, excitement and energy? Many students responded with family, exercise, fishing, skiing, reading and chocolate! It is a great tool for students to remember what gives them zest as zest has been found to be linked to higher levels of life satisfaction among both adults and youths. Studies show youths with zest tend to excel academically and lead happier, brighter lives.

Which activity gives you Zest?
Year Sixes at Tully High for the *Gifted and Talented English Day*

Some amazing students from ten schools participated in a special gifted and talented English day at the Tully High School which involved reading challenging classical texts and creating a promotional video from scratch.

On the first day (week 7 Term 3) we were each assigned a classical novel to read and try to understand. We were allowed to choose the novel from the Penguin Classics range. Mackenzie chose *Playing Beatie Bow* by Ruth Park and Claire chose *Day of the Triffids* by John Wyndham. *Day of the Triffids* is about a man who comes out of an eye operation to find that the whole world was blind from a mysterious meteor shower. Triffids, man eating plants, then start to take over the world. Though this book was extremely difficult for year six, I urge you to read it. Ruth Park is a fantastic author, and while I was reading *Playing Beatie Bow*, I felt grabbed and I couldn’t stop reading. *Playing Beatie Bow* is about a girl called Abigail who follows this strange girl back in time to 1873. I loved reading this book and I hope everyone will get the opportunity to read it.

We also had to create a promotional video showcasing the extension days we had at Tully High. Making the video was extremely enjoyable and entertaining. We had to add music, photos, title, captions and some groups also did voiceovers. We both loved making the promotional video.

By Claire Smith (Kennedy State School) and Mackenzie Campbell (Lower Tully State School)

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**Uniform Prices**

**Williamsons’ Formal Uniforms**

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**Uniform Price Rise**

Since the establishment of the uniform shop at Tully State High School, prices have remained stable for a period of at least three years. Unfortunately, as prices have risen, the shop prices need to increase. The new prices will be effective on 23 November, 2015. From the time of printing of this newsletter, parents will have a period of **one month to purchase uniforms at the old prices**. Also, if stock is unavailable, it can be **ordered and paid for at the old costs**. If there are any financial difficulties, contact the school or email the P & C at pandc@tullyshs.eq.edu.au.
Maths Quiz

WEEK 2 SOLUTION: 1. 582 or 141
2. 1, 2 and 3.

WEEK 3 QUIZ:
Some people believe that January 1, 2000 is the first day of the 21st century. Other people believe that the honour belongs to January 1, 2001. But everyone should agree that January 1, 2002 is the first "sum-day" of the new century - when you write out that date in standard notation, it becomes 01/01/02, and 1+1=2. More generally, a sum-day is a date in which the day and month add up to the year. With that in mind:

What is the last sum-day of the 21st century?
Answers can be submitted to the Maths solution box located in the library.
The result will be published in next week’s newsletter.

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Final results and OPs: from 9am Saturday 19 December 2015

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Notices & Events

P & C Meeting-3rd Tuesday of every month – 4.30pm in the Library.
Maths Tutoring every Thursday in the library 3-4pm.
23rd October Walker Memorial rugby league game (Yr11 v Yr. 12 boys).
23rd October Teitzel’s IGA (Yr. 11 v Yr. 12) Girls rugby league game.
28th October Sports Dinner — MPC — 5.30pm