

IMPORTANT DATES

Tues 17/6	Years 8,9,10 Girls HPV Dose 2 – 9 am	Fri 27/6	Year 11 Leadership Training & Development & Cert 1 Work Education Completion
Wed 18/6	Year 10 & Senior A Debating – Round 4	Fri 27/6	End Term 2
Wed 18/6	P & C Meeting 7.30pm	Mon 14/7	Student Free Day
Thurs 19/6	Years 11/12 Exam Block Commences	Tues 15/7	Year 10 Careers Program commences
Mon 23/6	Year 10 Engineering Challenge Day (32 students)	Wed 16/7	Years 11/12 Legal Studies to Brisbane Law Courts
Tues 24/6	Years 11/12 Exam Block Finishes	Wed 16/7	Sport – Clairvaux – Girls travel
Thurs 26/6	Year 12 QCS Practice	Fri 18/7	Open Morning Tour 9.15am
Thurs 26/6	Year 11 Leadership Training & Development	Fri 18/7	Reports Issued
Fri 27/6	Year 12 QCS Practice		

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

In the past fortnight further displays of the great talent we have at Holland Park High – on the sporting field and on the stage. This would not be a surprise to parents and students, as we all know that ***we have more talent per student than other larger high schools!***

Our ***Athletics Carnival*** held over 2 days managed to dodge the wet weather, and the earlier rain gave the oval a good softening and soaking, so conditions were good for competition. Well done to all students who participated. School is about recognising opportunities and taking advantage of them - students will have felt that house spirit on the day, marvelled at the speed, strength, distance and height that our best athletes achieved, and enjoyed the relaxed atmosphere shoulder to shoulder with teachers in the field. My thanks to our A/HOD SOSE, HPE and Sport Mr James and the HPE staff for their key contributions to a successful carnival.

Another piece of excitement around sports day was the ***commencement of work on our Sports Shed!*** The protective fencing arrived, the earthworks and site preparation commenced and as I write the concrete is being poured. It's fantastic to see this long awaited project under way.



The Sports Shed takes shape

On Tuesday 10 June we had a wonderful night of music, at our ***Instrumental Music Concert***. We could all appreciate the impact that some intensive rehearsal from our recent camp and regular practice (individual bands and ensembles) have on performance. We heard great solos from violin, trumpet, flute, ensembles - strings, brass, woodwind, percussion - jazz band and the concert band. It was a high quality evening. Two of our music students are currently in special music programs - ***Grace Mullins*** in Young Conservatorium and ***Esther Allen***, who played French Horn in Education Queensland's Creative Generation spectacular during Education Week. Congratulations to all performers, Music Captain comperes, and to our music staff - Mr & Mrs Bryer, Ms Robson and Mrs Blurton - for your enthusiastic support of our musicians. Talent Quest stars "Steak & 2 Veg" gave an encore performance of their winning entry. Our HIPest group of parents put on a great BBQ preceding the concert and I know parents appreciated the easy meal and chance to catch up with other families. I'm really looking forward to our next musical interlude.

We are starting our end of semester assessment phase. Years 8-10 will have tests in classrooms in normal class time. Years 11-12 have an exam block and attend only for scheduled exams Thursday 19 June to Tuesday 24 June. ***Year 11-12 exams*** are scheduled in the Assembly Hall and start at ***8.45am, 11.00 and 1.30pm***. Students must arrive on time and wear full school uniform. ***Illnesses*** sometimes occur during exam time. If your child is ill, the following procedures apply – ***Year 8-10 parent note*** of explanation on return to school, ***Year 11-12 Dr's Certificate*** on return to school. ***A courtesy phone call*** to the school office on the day of illness and missed assessment is appreciated.

On Thursday 26 and Friday 27 June, Year 12 students will sit for a ***full 2 day practice QCS Test***. This is ***compulsory*** for all ***OP eligible students*** as it is very important that students are all very familiar with the procedures surrounding the test as well as the test itself. For students, not eligible for an OP, we strongly recommend students sit for the practice and the QCS Test, as these results can have a positive impact on tertiary entrance via Selection Ranks (an alternative pathway to University and TAFE courses).

One of our students, **Amy Sutton**, has been selected to go to Canada in September to further her interest in Polar Bears! Amy joined another student from the Gold Coast area in winning a place on an international team of students studying and working to protect endangered Polar Bears. What an adventure she'll have later this year!

Congratulations to **Sophie Summers** who took part in the Challenge Netball Carnival held at Metropolitan District Netball Association at Coorparoo. 130 netball teams travelled from all over Queensland to take part in the event. Sophie played as a member of the 15 year old Metropolitan Districts Representative Team which won their age group, being undefeated after 26 games of netball.

Extract from email about our students at a recent theatre visit

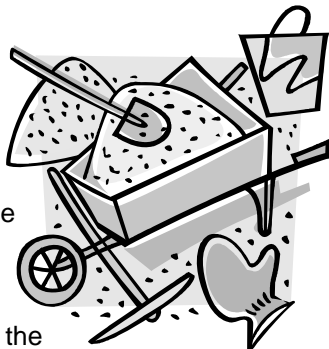
"I was impressed by the behaviour of your school group. They were polite and attentive and I wish that the people who are continually criticising teenagers could have seen them. You must be very proud of them."

Best wishes,

Jocelyn Roberts, Principal

REMEMBER OUR WORKING BEE TOMORROW!

Where will you be on Saturday morning 14 June? Many of us (staff, students and parents) will be enjoying the gentle exercise as we move mulch onto the gardens in preparation for the water tanks arrival and the planting of native bush food plants. Not only will we be basking in the warmth of the morning sun but also the smug feeling of knowing we are doing our bit for the environment. Thanks in advance to all the helpers. More opportunities to help HP go green will be advertised soon.



P & C NEWS

What will chaplaincy at HP look like? Come to the P & C meeting (**June 18 at 7.30 pm**) and hear a couple of high school chaplains, from our area, tell us about what they do. The idea of this is to help us to create a job description for our chaplain. Get involved and be informed. Contact Cathy Menzler on cmenz1@eq.edu.au for more information.

YEAR 12 BIOLOGY

On Tuesday 27 May the Year 12 Biology students participated in a field study at Griffith University Ecocentre. The students spent the day learning about environmental issues regarding the biotic and abiotic factors that affect streams and ponds and measured these factors using data loggers. The microscopic work in the afternoon made us aware of just how much life exists in what looked like a muddy pond. The day was extraordinary as we had the benefit of a marine biology PHD student and we were involved in the production of a training film for the data loggers. This movie, produced by the Department of Natural Resources and Education Qld, will be used to train teachers throughout Queensland in the use of the environmental data loggers.

The student's behaviour and attitude were a credit to them and despite the busy day it was a great experience for all. (Many of them came back to school that afternoon to refine their items for the Talent Quest, in fact the winning band members are all Biology students – what talent!)

Cathy Menzler, Biology Teacher

HOLLAND PARK VOLLEYBALL WELCOMES 2 NEW SUPPORTERS

PhysioFix Holland Park & MTB Construction are the 2 newest members to join our High Performance Volleyball Program.

Welcome Jamie Sceney from PhysioFix and Martin Levers from MTB Construction, we appreciate your support and look forward to a long and successful partnership together.

Jamie has offered some great deals for Holland Park students so please next time you are in need of a fantastic Physio give Jamie and his team a call at PhysioFix Holland Park.



Have you been dreaming of that new extension on the house or replacing that tired old patio. Why wait any longer....Give Marty @ MTB Constructions a call



Please help support the people who are supporting your children and the next time you need a Physio or Quality Builder give Jamie or Marty a call.

Craig Dawson, Volleyball Coordinator

QLD SCHOOLS SHARED CAR RAFFLE 2008

The raffle results

First Prize:

K Rose Ticket No. 443934 School: Willow SS

Second Prize:

A Goldworth Ticket No. 246261 School: Burleigh Heads SS

Third Prize:

S Custance Ticket No. 320267 School: Petrie SS

Yelarbon State School won the participation draw and Ramsay State School won the 40% sold draw.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

During the next two weeks students will visit local playgrounds to identify the elements in the playground design that contribute to children's development and to evaluate the equipment in terms of safety and supervision required. Our students will also practise their observation skills as they watch the interaction of children from Marshall Road Prep Class during their outdoor play session. A big thank you to Marshall Road Primary for providing this opportunity for our students.

Dianne Polson, ECS Teacher

GUIDANCE NEWS

Every year all the Year 12 students receive a free copy of the Queensland Tertiary Application Courses Guide commonly referred to as the **QTAC Guide**. It contains over 1400 undergraduate courses and descriptions for all the Universities, TAFEs and many private providers in Queensland, plus all students need to know about applying for courses of study for 2009. These should be arriving at the school in the last week of the school term. Next Term we will have whole year level talks on the QTAC process. I also invite each student to have an individual careers counselling session with me to assist them in these all important decisions. If you would like to attend with your son or your daughter you are most welcome. Just give me a ring at school to organise it.

James Cook University will be holding a **Health Careers Information Evening** for students in Years 11 and 12 and their parents on Tuesday 24 June from 5.15 - 7.30pm at the Bardon Conference Centre, 390 Simpson Road, Bardon.

The Tertiary Studies Expo – TSXPO is a free event run every year that showcases all the Universities, TAFEs and Higher Education Colleges, Government Agencies etc. all together in one place. It is a must for any student considering study next year. It will take place on Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th July from 10am – 4pm at the Exhibition Building RNA Showgrounds.

Cultural Care Au Pair Gap USA is holding an information evening on Monday 23rd June from 6pm – 8pm in the Toowong Library, Toowong Shopping Village. Phone: 1800 677 373 for more details.

Tips for Parents of Teens – Are you concerned about your teenager's behaviour? Then **Teen Triple P** might be the answer – a free individual parenting program for parents of teenagers aged 11-16 years run by the Parenting and Family Support Centre at The University of Qld. For more information please contact the Project Co-ordinator on 3365 6207 or teentriplep@psy.uq.edu.au.

Delwyn Cameron – Guidance Officer

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

It was a very different carnival this year. Last year we were concerned about dust; this year we were worried about the rain. Our athletics carnival went off without a hitch. This year was the most competitive across all ages. Some events went over time due to the number of students. Congratulations to our House Captains in motivating their houses for the record number of competitors.

The winning house on the day was Marshall.

The age champions were:

	Boys	Girls
13 year	Adrian Shepherd	Abby Harris
14 years	Thomas Kent	Bec Bromwich
15 years	Colin Mackay	Kate Deegan
16 years	Matt Lechmere	Grace Mullins
Open	Tim Hardie	Naomi Delaney

Richard James, Sports Co-ordinator

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC NOTES

On Tuesday night, the Instrumental Music Department held a hugely successful concert, featuring solos, small ensembles, String Orchestra, Concert Band and Jazz Band. All of the students played to their best, making the evening an extremely enjoyable and varied night of music. A huge thanks goes to our HIP group, who provided an extremely yummy BBQ on the evening. It was a big hit.

Our next performance will be for the **Concert Band and Jazz Band at the Moorooka SS Fete on 26 July**. As yet there are no performance times, but I will let you know these as soon as they become available.

Notes are going home today for those students nominated for this year's Workshop of Excellence held at Coorparoo Secondary. Please read these carefully and return the tear-off slip to Mrs Bryer as soon as possible.

I also have information regarding the Bel Canto Winter Music Camp, being held at Mansfield SHS on the holidays from 30th June - 4th July. If you are looking for something to do on the holidays, please see Mrs Bryer for a form.

As always, if you are interested in playing a musical instrument, or if you have one at home which you would like to take up, please see any of the music teachers in J Block Staffroom.

Happy Music Making.

Karina Bryer, Instrumental Music Teacher

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC DATES

26 July – Moorooka S.S. Fete (Concert Band & Jazz Band)

August – True Blue Shed Party (TBC)

14 – 15 August – Workshop of Excellence (selected students)

23 August – Brisbane Schools Festival (Jazz Band)

24 August – Brisbane Schools Festival (Concert Band)

Wellers Hill SS Harmonies on the Hill (Concert Band & Jazz Band) TBC

September holidays – State Honours Program (selected students)

14 October – Music Fest (Concert Band)

24 October – Music Fest (Jazz Band)

***The search is on.....
for someone who loves
stationery and wants to
help our school community.***



The P&C desperately needs a person (or group) to take on the role of Stationery Coordinator (for student stationery purchases). This job won't take a lot of your time but you will be contributing over \$2000 to our school. It will involve confirming details of timeframes etc with our stationery supplier; liaising with the school office staff who send out lists to the teachers in late August; checking the lists for corrections when they are returned before September holidays (there is already a volunteer for this); sending lists to the supplier and confirming dates for end of year supply.... and that's it really.

If you would like to even consider helping in this way, give me a call (Chris 0402 058919). I promise to give you the facts on what is involved, but with no pressure to commit. I'll also give you as much help as you need this year, with a view to the coordinator running with it next year.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS FUNDRAISER

Holland Park High School will once again be offering Entertainment Books for sale as part of this year's fundraiser. The cost is \$60 and \$12 from each sale will go towards the purchase of much needed equipment for the Mathematics Department. Your purchase price can be redeemed by you many times over. Please support our fundraiser



Dianne Baker, Mathematics Teacher

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Thank you to those people who have come forward and volunteered their time in the Tuckshop. It is amazing the difference, just one extra person makes. It enables us to have that little extra variety available for the students and to be much more organised when the bell goes.

Donna Phillips, Tuckshop Convenor

TUCKSHOP ROSTER 16/6/08-18/7/08	
Mon 16/6	HELP NEEDED
Tues 17/6	HELP NEEDED
Wed 18/6	HELP NEEDED
Thur 19/6	HELP NEEDED
Fri 20/6	Alayne Reid
Mon 23/6	HELP NEEDED
Tues 24/6	HELP NEEDED
Wed 25/6	HELP NEEDED
Thur 26/6	HELP NEEDED
Fri 27/6	Judi Summers
Mon 14/7	STUDENT FREE DAY
Tues 15/7	HELP NEEDED
Wed 16/7	Kath Parsons
Thurs 17/7	Janelle Robertson, Kerri Vains
Fri 18/7	HELP NEEDED

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Past Families of Holland Park Kindergarten C and K

Mrs Judy Pfeffer is leaving Holland Park Kindergarten after 15 amazing years as our Teacher/Director. A celebration of Judy's incredible time at HPK will be held at the Kindergarten on Sunday 22nd June, 2008 from 10am to 12md and all past families are invited to come and join in thanking Judy for her service and wishing her well in her new adventures. Please bring a small plate to share. RSVP to Leisa Campbell at leisa@bjcampbell.com.au or 3397 0757.

Holland Park Meals on Wheels are looking for a Bookkeeper, 3 hours/week on a Thursday 11.30am-2.30pm (hrs negotiable). Good understanding of MYOB essential. (This is a paid position) For more information call Helen on 3397 9150 or email hpmow2@bigpond.com

Mt Gravatt Little Athletics 2008-2009 Season Sign on Day **21st June 2008 11am to 3pm** Mansfield High School Hall, Ham Road. For information please contact Melissa 3901 6216 pr Wendy 3395 2519. For more details of other Centres in the Brisbane area: Contact the Association office on 3255 9436 or www.qlaa.asn.au.

Reminder

It will soon be Tax time – if you haven't already done so please consider supporting the Building Fund and/or Public Library Fund.

Cheques can be made payable to:-

- **Holland Park High P & C Association Building Fund and/or**
- **Holland Park High School Public Library Fund.**

EFTPOS facilities are also available.

Year 11 & 12 Block Exam Timetable

All Year 11/12 students are on **exam block** from **Thursday 19 – 24 June**. This means that students only attend for scheduled exams as per this timetable.

- ⇒ **If you are absent for a scheduled assessment task then you must produce a doctor's certificate and have had your parents contact the administration to explain your absence.**
- ⇒ **Full School Uniform must be worn. Failure to comply will result in your being sent home.**
- ⇒ **All exams will take place in the HALL unless otherwise specified.**

Students should check this timetable carefully and ask their teachers if they are unsure of assessment details. *Some exams are not scheduled at their normal time and some sessions have extended times, ensure that you check this carefully.*

	Thursday 19 June	Friday 20 June	Monday 23 June	Tuesday 24 June
8.45 – 10.15am	11/12 GPH – H POD 60 MINS - ROG 11/12 IPT - 90 MINS - WAL - G13	12 MAA – 90 MINS 12 MAB – 90 MINS PAPER B <i>Exam Supervisor – Ms Cutmore</i>	11/12 AHI – 90 MINS 11/12 PED – 90 MINS - THEORY 11/12 ITS <i>Exam Supervisor – Mr Schlecht</i>	11/12 BIS 11/12 MAN – 30 MINS - ROG 11/12 DRA – PRAC H23 <i>Exam Supervisor – Mrs Menzler</i>
11.00 – 12.30pm	12 MAA – 90 MINS 12 MAB – 90 MINS 12 PVM – 90 MINS PAPER A <i>Exam Supervisor – Ms Cutmore</i>	11 MAA – 90 MINS 11 MAB – 90 MINS PAPER B <i>Exam Supervisor – Ms Cutmore</i>	12 ENG – 90 MINS 11 LEG <i>Exam Supervisor – Mr Wallace</i>	11 ENG 11 ENG COM <i>Exam Supervisor – Mrs Hasson</i>
1.30 – 3.00pm	11 MAA – 90 MINS 11 MAB – 90 MINS 11 PVM – 90 MINS PAPER A <i>Exam Supervisor – Ms Cutmore</i>	11/12 REC 11/12 MAC – 90 MINS - PAPER A <i>Exam Supervisors – Mr Dawson/Ms Cutmore</i>	11/12 JAP – B13 – LIST 11/12 DRA – THEORY 11/12 MAC – PAPER B 11/12 GEG <i>Exam Supervisors – Mrs Goodman, Mr Mitchell, Mr James</i>	11/12 MSS – 90 MINS 11/12 MAN – 30 MINS - UZL <i>Exam Supervisor – Mrs Menzler</i>