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KEY DATES

OCTOBER

04.
**QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY
PUBLIC HOLIDAY**
Prep to Year 12

05.
**Advent Term (4)
commences**
Prep to Year 12

**Year 8 Outdoor
Education Program**
Returning Friday 8 October

08.
Rock Fest
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Bishop Centre

13.
Swimming Carnival
Prep to Year 12

Ponytail Project
White Rock Secondary

**2022 Leadership
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15.
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02.
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04.
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Orientation Day**
White Rock Primary

05.
**Variety Night
Evening Show**
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Bishop Centre

10.
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11.
After School Concert
White Rock Primary

18.
Special Program
Year 12

19.
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22.
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24.
Big Day Out
Year 6

25.
'Step Up' Day
Year 6
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Familiarisation Day**
**Year 10 Outdoor
Recreation End of
Program Celebration**

26.
**End of Advent
Term (4)**
Prep to Year 12



HOLIDAY CELEBRATIONS & AWARDS CEREMONIES

KEWARRA BEACH CAMPUS (K-6)

12. NOV

We invite parents and families of Kindy to Year 6 students to our Christmas Markets in the Courtyard from 8:00 am.

22. NOV

We invite parents and families of Kindy to Year 2 students to our Awards Assembly in the COLA.

23. NOV

We invite parents and families of Year 3 to 6 students to our Awards Assembly in the COLA.

WHITE ROCK CAMPUS (P-6)

23. NOV

We invite parents and families of Prep to Year 6 students to our Christmas Awards Assembly in the Bishop Centre from 1:00 pm.

WHITE ROCK CAMPUS (7-12)

17. NOV

We invite parents and families of Year 7 to 12 students to our Awards Ceremony in MPH from 6:00 pm.

26. NOV

Student-only Christmas Service for Years 5 to 12.



GO PACK FOR RUTH'S WOMEN'S SHELTER

Congratulations to Arabella Lulham (Year 6), who worked with Ruth's Women's Shelter to create over 25 Go Pack backpacks and suitcases for children in Cairns currently living in vulnerable situations. Thank you to the TAS families who donated and contributed goods to this very worthwhile Round Square Project.



ROSIE'S

Congratulations to Luke Swindale, Harrison Morris, Benjamin Johnson, Tyler Kildal, Max Ogilvie-McLellan and Taithan Carrette (Year 6), who raised \$1,800 for Rosie's by riding 150 km. The money raised will supply homeless people in Cairns with backpack beds. Well done students!



CAIRNS TURTLE REHAB FUNDRAISING

Congratulations to Hugo Macdonald (Year 6), who raised \$2,000 for the Cairns Turtle Rehabilitation Centre as part of his Round Square service project. The money will be used to place a tracker onto a turtle named Sonny, which will help collect valuable data for turtle research. Well done, Hugo!

DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S INTERNATIONAL AWARD

Congratulations to the following students who recently received a Duke of Edinburgh's International Award.



Laura Gammie-Johns
Bronze Award



Rose Belson
Bronze Award



Samantha Johnson
Bronze Award

WILD ART

Congratulations to Charlie Del Campo (Year 5), who recently won 2nd prize in the Australia-wide, Wild Art Threatened Species competition run by the Australian Conservation Association. Well done, Charlie!



CALANNA PUBLIC SPEAKING

Congratulations to Luke Swindale (Year 6) and Scarlet Ross (Year 5), who competed in the Calanna Public Speaking Competition this term.

EQ CREATIVE GENERATIONS EXCELLENCE AWARDS

Well done to Thomas Chen (Year 11), Jason Blee, Jessica Overton and Phoebe Timmins (Year 12) on receiving their EQ Creative Generations Excellence Awards at the Tanks Art Gallery.



QUEENSLAND SCHOOLS CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

Congratulations to La Bella Carolan (Year 12), Myuri Gopalapillai (Year 10) and Rose Belson (Year 10), who participated in the Queensland Schools Constitutional Convention and were voted FNQ Regional Delegates to the National Schools Constitutional Convention, to be held in March 2022.



FNQ READERS CUP

Congratulations to Jordi Salleras, Rose Belson (Year 10), Georgia Clague and Gale Frances (Year 9) who competed in FNQ Readers Cup Challenge and achieved a fantastic result.



Elangi Cuttance
Bronze Award



Hayley Graham
Bronze Award



La Bella Carolan
Silver Award



From the Principal's Desk

MR PAUL SJOGREN

“AT OUR RECENT 2001 REUNION, I WAS LUCKY ENOUGH TO MEET SEVERAL ALUMNI AND IT STRUCK ME THAT THEY SHARED A NUMBER OF COMMON TRAITS: THEY WERE ALL GENUINE, POSITIVE, SUCCESSFUL, AND MODEST”

PAUL SJOGREN, PRINCIPAL

As we near the completion of our new 2022–26 Strategic Plan, I have been reflecting on what it means to be a TAS student and, eventually, a TAS graduate. At our recent 2001 reunion, I was lucky enough to meet several alumni and it struck me that they shared many common traits: they were all genuine, positive, successful, and modest. They held genuine respect for their school and a sense of connectedness with their fellow graduates, even though many of them hadn't seen each other for a significant amount of time.

I have written before regarding the importance of positive school culture beyond buildings, achievements or status. Culture is assessed by the way we speak, the way we act and the way we present ourselves. Indeed, that is how we all make judgements of other cultures when we encounter them. We expect members of our TAS community to (i) display inclusion and respect for difference, (ii) provide a safe, positive and nurturing environment within engaging learning spaces and beautiful grounds for our students, staff, parents and visitors, (iii) show a high level of respect and support for each other and intellectual endeavour, where student growth and learning is the focus, (iv)

encourage social responsibility, global citizenship and awareness, gratitude and service, (v) strive to balance the positive traditions of our past and the exciting and changing demands of our present and our future, (vi) embrace authentic outdoor, experiential and holistic education opportunities for personal character development, and (vii) celebrate the opportunities provided by the digital world to use technology efficiently, effectively, innovatively and responsibly.

I see so many of our students striving to meet these expectations every day. Much like riding a bike, sometimes they fall off and don't quite get there, but they usually persevere and get right back on and give it another try, often with the support and compassion of a peer or a teacher. This is one of the things that makes our culture so special.

Good luck to our Year 12 students as they enter the external assessment season and approach graduation. And while this last term had its challenges, they approach these challenges with the love and support of their TAS community.

CLASS OF 2001 20-YEAR REUNION



MEET OUR NEW STAFF MEMBER!

Meet Kevin, the newest member of the TAS community. Research continues to acknowledge the positive impact that animals have on our health and wellbeing. Kevin is a trained therapy and wellness dog, and through his presence within the school environment, he will support student engagement and assist with social skill development, self-regulation and calming. All interactions with Kevin are completely voluntary. Welcome to TAS, Kevin!

Name:

Kevin

Position:

Trained Therapy Dog

Qualifications:

Certified Wellness & Therapy Dog

About me:

- I am a four-year old Daschund.
- I love cuddles and playing with my toys.
- I wear a vest that is made from a recycled TAS school uniform.



CATCH UP ON THE LATEST
PRINCIPAL'S BLOG





Kewarra Beach Primary Activity



MARY KERSHAW
HEAD OF KEWARRA BEACH PRIMARY

As we farewell a busy Michaelmas Term (3), it is gratifying to see that we are listed as one of the top 100 Queensland Primary Schools, as published in *The Cairns Post*.

This acknowledgment is a testament to our highly skilled and committed teaching and support staff who go above and beyond to nurture the academic and pastoral growth of each student in their care. The time and effort they put into developing the outstanding curriculum and student wellbeing programs that underpin our academic achievements does not go unnoticed.

Of course, no success would be possible without the efforts of all members of staff, the support of our wonderful parents and your ongoing interest in your child's learning. This was evident during the last week of term when many attended our Student-Led Conferences. We truly appreciate your support.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday, and we look forward to seeing you back at school for Term 4.



WATCH NOW!
LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR NATURE-BASED APPROACH.



RAINFORESTATION EXCURSION

YEAR 4

This Term, Year 4 students visited Rainforestation near Kuranda. This excursion supported the Year 4 HaSS unit 'Rainforests: Who Needs Them!'

NATURE-BASED LEARNING

PREP

Prep students (and parents) have had a lovely few weeks watching these cute, fluffy ducklings hatch and grow!



NEW COFFEE CART!

KEWARRA BEACH CAMPUS

Please join us in the courtyard on Friday mornings from 8.00 am to 8.30 am for refreshments served by our lovely baristas, Caroline Gould and Mandy Gniel.





TRINITY ANGLICAN SCHOOL

KINDERGARTEN

APPLICATIONS OPEN

KEWARRA BEACH CENTRE

Poolwood Rd,
Kewarra Beach
(07) 4036 8118

WHITE ROCK CENTRE

200 Progress Road,
White Rock
(07) 4036 8118

For more information on the program
and to apply, please visit:

<https://tas.qld.edu.au/kindergarten-2022/>



GREEN ISLAND EXCURSION

YEAR 1

Year 1 students recently had a full day of nature-based learning on Green Island – exploring, learning and caring for the environment – as part of the HASS and Science studies. Thanks to Mrs McShane, Mr Thomas and the lovely parent helpers who made sure the Year 1 sailors had a great day and came home safely from the sea.





BOOK WEEK

OLD WORLDS, NEW WORLDS, OTHER WORLDS.

Storyteller Michael Quinn, from World Story Waters, visited the Kewarra Beach Tung-Yep Library during Book Week to recount tales from different times and cultures. Students had fun re-enacting age-old stories and bringing them to life.



PHANTOM OF THE CARIBBEAN

THE GOLD MASK OF SANTIAGO DE CUBA

TICKETS
 Premium \$20
 Gold \$17.50
 GA \$15

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TAS PRESENTS THE YEARS 3 TO 6 2021 VARIETY NIGHT
**PHANTOM OF THE CARIBBEAN:
THE GOLD MASK OF SANTIAGO DE CUBA**

Friday 5 November 2021
6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Trinity Anglican School Bishop Centre
200-212 Progress Road, White Rock





PLAY : LEARN : DEVELOP



TAS

TRINITY ANGLICAN SCHOOL

STARTS WEEK 1
5TH & 7TH OCTOBER 2021

\$150 FOR 8 WEEK TERM

SKILL/TECHNIQUE BASED SESSIONS
FOCUS ON INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT
KEWARRA BEACH - EVERY TUESDAY
WHITE ROCK - EVERY THURSDAY

3:30- 4:30PM

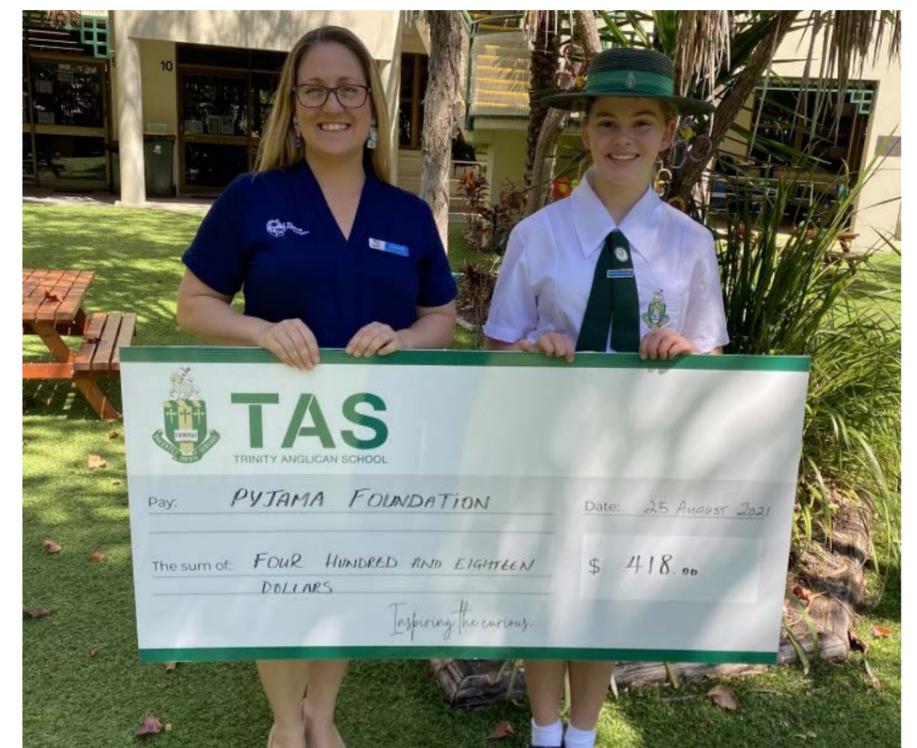
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“ELEANOR HANDED OVER A CHEQUE FOR MORE THAN \$400 TO JOELEN BETTINI FROM THE PYJAMA FOUNDATION CAIRNS.”

PYJAMA DAY

Congratulations to Eleanor Oates (Year 6), who organised a Pyjama Day and lunchtime school disco to raise money for The Pyjama Foundation.

Eleanor and Prep to Year 6 students raised more than four times the average amount for a school fundraising event, and the funds raised will go towards recruiting, screening, training and supporting volunteers who spend 1-on-1 time with children in foster care to improve their educational outcomes.





White Rock Primary Activity



PETER GAZZOLA
HEAD OF WHITE ROCK PRIMARY

It has been terrific to see the return of events in Term 3. The spirit of TAS is truly alive and well. We welcomed back events, camps, excursions and face-to-face parent-teacher interviews.

The primary campus was alive with people again, despite our small stint with masks.

As always, this Term was packed with events and opportunities for our students and I hope that you enjoy reading about some of the great things that took place over the next few pages.

Wishing you all a safe and happy holidays and I am looking forward to all the exciting things that Term 4 brings.



TERM 3 IN REVIEW

This year, our lower primary teachers partnered with Independent School's Queensland to research and implement strategies that enhance reading. The results have been amazing, and our Preps have excelled with their reading skills. Well done to the staff, students and parents who have supported their children at home to encourage a love of reading.

At our Father's Day breakfast, we celebrated the wonderful fathers we have a TAS. It was very well attended and showed how much we appreciate the special people in our lives. As always, I am thankful for the help provided by our Parent Community Group.

We also welcomed teachers from Riverside Christian College, who came to look at our Care and Connect Program. They were thrilled by the program and travelled back to Maryborough to implement it in their own school. Ms Breen and I presented the program, which was created at TAS, at the Big Ideas Summit in Townsville. We are proud to be leading innovative programs and always happy to share our success with like-minded schools in the independent sector.

CARING GARDEN FUNDRAISING

This term, TAS White Rock Campus - Primary students dressed up in their favourite sporting team colours and raised money to buy plants for their caring garden.



BOOK WEEK

"THE BOOK WEEK PARADE WAS ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL EVENT. IT WAS A FUN WAY TO PROMOTE READING IN THE SCHOOL. WELL DONE TO EVERYONE ON THE COLOURFUL COSTUMES."
PETER GAZZOLA

Designed to celebrate a love of reading, Book Week encourages students and staff to dress up as their most beloved literary characters. We also had a visit from author Scot Gardner, whose most recent novels include *Off The Map* and *Changing Gear*. The librarians did a great job with their displays, and our parades at both campuses were so much fun. Winners:

- Best-Dressed Staff Member Award – Kevin (dressed as Dobby from Harry Potter)
- Class Book Week Book Display Kindy to Year 3 – Class 3S
- Class Book Week Book Display Years 4 to 6 – Class 5J
- Quizardry Cup – Team Dobby (Emilie, Jayde, Jack and Jessica)
- Secondary Tutor Photo Comp – KSSA (Ms Saunders)





INTERSCHOOL CHESS TOURNAMENT 2021

The Far North Queensland Interschool Chess Championships Round Three was held on 16 September and we welcomed 320 students from around the region to this giant battle of the minds. It was pleasing to note that many TAS students were dignified in victory and defeat and displayed good sportsmanship. All the hard work and preparation from individual study or participation in our chess coaching programs was applied in competition with awesome results.

Special congratulations to the teams **TAS WRS Adeepa** and **TAS WRCP Qu** who have qualified for the State Finals in Brisbane. Thank you to all the students, staff, families and friends who supported and enjoyed chess in our community in 2021.

SECONDARY PREMIER-GRADE RESULTS

2nd TAS WRS Adeepa: Adeepa Keerthirathne, Mohammad Romies, Jack O'Neill and Joanna Chen
Board 2 Prize: Mohammad Romies

SECONDARY OPEN RESULTS

3rd TAS WRS John: John Phan, Lachlan Ryan, Joshua Barry, Dane Swan and Ben Harris

PRIMARY PREMIER-GRADE RESULTS

1st TAS WRCP Qu: Lucas Qu, Dean Coombs, Rebecca Leroy and Treyton Muirhead
3rd TAS WRCP: Stoelhorst: Nathan Stoelhorst, Raiyaan Baig, Isabel Raubenheimer and Cara Coates
4th TAS WRCP Li: Tommy Li, Finn O'Neill, Franklin Dennis and Jacob Nguyen
Board 1 Prize: Lucas Qu
Board 3 Prize: Rebecca Leroy
Board 4 Prize: Treyton Muirhead

PRIMARY A-GRADE RESULTS

1st TAS WRCP Tippet: Joanna Male, Ciara Harvie, Kobi Tippet and Dane Swan
2nd TAS WRCP Edwards: Aran Saireddy, Sienna Edwards, Poppy Ulm and Carter Peters
3rd TAS WRCP Nguyen: Brodie Beatty, Annabel Stone, Brandon Lewis and Ava Nguyen
4th TAS KBC Kim: Hayden Coxon, Tiarne Kim, Shritan Saireddy and Jade Thomas
1st Place: Brodie Beatty
3rd Place: Hugo Macdonald



PRIMARY B-GRADE RESULTS

1st TAS WRCP Critchley: Scarlett Twomey, Celia Pramana, Luke Critchley and Ashlyn Tanswell
2nd TAS KBC Morris: Anja Dimitrijevic, Harrison Morris, Minchu Marjunath and Caitlin Wong
3rd TAS WRCP Pundi: Veer Jindal, Marcus Pundi, Jimmy Brycson and Noah Kim
4th TAS KBC Johnson: Charlie Ford, Charlie Del Campo, Carmen Mathews and Benje Johnson
1st Place: Veer Jindal
2nd Place: Scarlett Twomey
3rd Place: Anja Dimitrijevic
4th Place: Celia Pramana

PRIMARY C-GRADE RESULTS

1st TAS WRCP Biswas: Isaac Male, Lucas Kroijmans, Kritika Biswas and Dion McCorkell
2nd TAS WRCP Harvie: Amy Harvie, Thomas Grooby, Caitlin Godden and Zoe Tooley
1st Place: Isaac Male
2nd Place: Lucas Kroijmans
3rd Place: Kritika Biswas

PRIMARY D-GRADE TEAM RESULTS

1st TAS WRCP Curtis: Chloe Curtis, Chanel Phillips, Ryan McRae and Isabelle Zappala
2nd TAS WRCP Williams: Chloe Williams, Andrew Leroy, Hugh Yu and Lillian Zhang
3rd TAS WRCP Jindal: Viyaan Jindal, Aarika Sharma, Lana Kandakji and Scott Green
3rd TAS WRCP Kandakjil: Habib Kandakji, Millie Macdonald, Lewis McDonald and Charlotte Koppen
1st Place: Chloe Curtis
2nd Place: Brodie Biskupski
4th Place: Warren Stuart





100 DAYS OF PREP

Earlier this term, our Prep students celebrated 100 days of learning, laughing and growing together at TAS! Students enjoyed the themed party, counting to 100, drawing 100 things, jumping 100 times, stacking 100 cups and so much more! Congratulations to our Prep students and families. We wish you all the best for the next 100 days!



MINIBEAST INCURSION YEAR 2

The White Rock Campus Primary Year 2 students had the opportunity to trade bug books for the real thing last week. Thank you to MiniBeast Wildlife for visiting and teaching us some amazing facts about bugs.



White Rock Secondary Activity



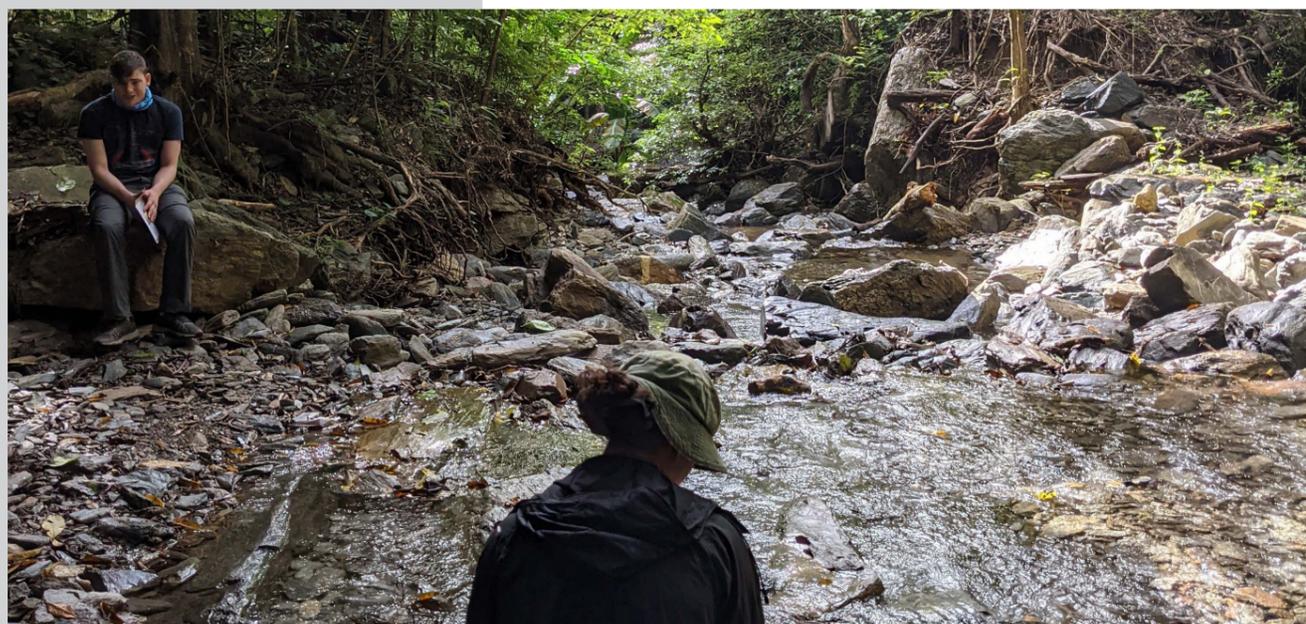
JOANNA BAKER
HEAD OF WHITE ROCK SECONDARY

The word 'rollercoaster' keeps coming up when I speak to students and staff about Term 3 – and no wonder, with the uncertainty of lockdowns, the intensity of exams, and the excitement of sporting and House triumphs. It is a testament to their adaptability that they have made it such a successful term, filled with both individual and collective achievements, some of which are detailed in the following pages.

YEAR 11 LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Although the beginning of the term feels very distant, I hold clear memories of the three days I spent with the Year 11s on their Outdoor Education Program. This program was expertly designed by Mr Osmond and Ms Beveridge to develop students' capacity for leadership, communication and teamwork. The improvement in how students worked together between Day 1 and Day 3 was notable, and a credit to the maturity of the students, who reflected insightfully on their personal growth.

From here, Year 11s embarked on the selection process for 2022 Captain roles. The new process this year required that students consider and address selection criteria and role descriptions; express their vision for the role in the interview round; and present themselves to students and staff in the final voting round. We were privileged to have outstanding applicants this year, and a final team of fantastic Captains-elect. Our 2021 Captains will officially 'hand over' to our new Captains at the Year 12 Student Leadership Investiture Service in early Term 4.

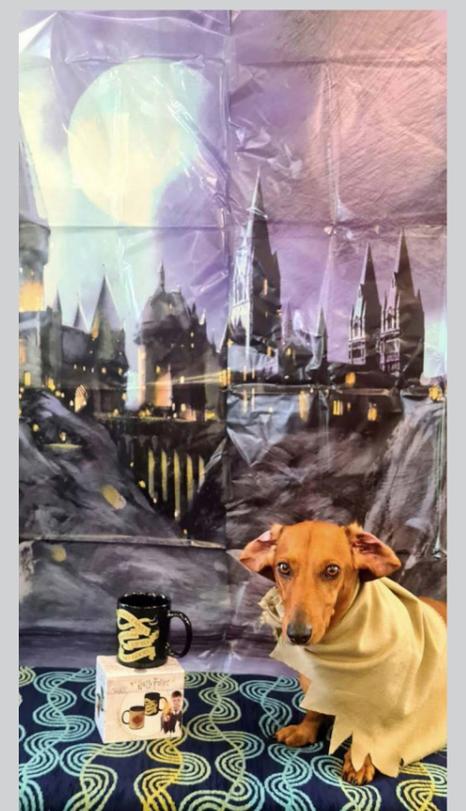


HOUSE COMPETITIONS

Term 3 saw competition reach boiling point between our Houses, with the Interhouse Athletics, Interhouse Triathlon, and Interhouse Public Speaking all taking place. This rounds out the official Interhouse Competitions this year as students eagerly await the results of the House Cup, which will be announced in Term 4.

Leichhardt have continued their dominance in many of the athletic domains, with Kennedy snapping at their heels. The competition for Dragonheart trophies has also been intense this year, with Mulligan determinedly pursuing maximum participation at every event.

The Interhouse Public Speaking is a fitting way to end the competitions this year, with our Year 12s relishing their final opportunity to step up (and speak up) for their House. Whatever the outcome at the end of the year, our 2021 House Captains can be proud of the legacy they have created.



BOOK WEEK

We had a very successful week-long author visit. Scot Gardner wrapped up the week with an advanced writing workshop for secondary students this afternoon. He also conducted author talks and mini-workshops from students from Years 3 to 11 over the five days he was here.



CANCER COUNCIL PONYTAIL PROJECT

Nine brave Year 12 ladies (Tegan, Tahlia, Charlotte, Krista, Hannah, Gabby, Claire, Luna and Jessica) will participate in the Ponytail Project on Wednesday 13 October and donate their hair to raise funds for Cancer Council Queensland. We encourage our community to donate and support the girls as they raise funds and awareness for those affected by Cancer.

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TUTORING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM 2021 TIMETABLE

ENGLISH

Tuesday and Thursday, 1:25pm - 1:55pm, Rm D17

LANGUAGES

Friday, 1:25pm - 1:55pm, Rm G29 (Japanese and Distance Ed)

STEM

Tuesday, 10:50am - 11:25am, Rm S40 (Physics)
 Wednesday, 10:50am - 11:25am, Rm S40 (Chemistry)
 Wednesday, 10:50am - 11:25am, Rm S46 (Science & Biology)
 Tuesday, 10:50am - 11:25am, Rm S40 (Maths)
 Thursday, 3:20pm-4:00pm, Rm S40 (Maths)

HUMANITIES AND BUSINESS

Thursday, 1:25pm - 1:55pm, Rm D17

PEER TUTORING

Provided by Yr 12 Academic and School Captains
 Friday, 10:40am - 11:25am, Rm C13

**Support and tutoring is available for all subjects.
Please ask your teacher for more information.**



Teaching, Learning & Innovation



TIM MANEA
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL
HEAD OF TEACHING & LEARNING

At the conclusion of Term 3 in 2021, students at TAS enter an exciting time as they prepare for the final phase of their studies, including their Mock and External Assessments (Year 12) or move into the summative assessment phase of their studies in Units 3 & 4 (Year 11).

At TAS we refuse to rest on our laurels and are always looking for ways to improve the teaching and learning program, including innovative programs, the way we report and prepare our students for assessment. I hope that you enjoy reading about some of the initiatives that took place this term.



SENIOR ASSESSMENT AND TERTIARY ASSESSMENT & QCE YEARS 11 & 12

Students in Year 12 have completed all their Internal Assessments (IAs) that contribute towards the calculation of the student ATAR. As part of the Confirmation Process, provisional student results are undergoing final checking to ensure accuracy and consistency. Once student results are confirmed, they cannot be altered, no matter what result the students receive in their External Assessments (EAs).

Year 12 students are busily preparing/revising for their Mock and External Assessments. The first of these will be our internal 'Mock' EAs, which are scheduled to commence on Wednesday 29 September and conclude on Friday 8 October. Following the completion of the Mocks, Year 12 students will return to their normal timetabled classes in Weeks 2 & 3 of Term 4 to receive feedback and complete final preparations for their External Assessments (EAs), which commence on Friday 22 October 2021. TAS Students are well positioned to tackle these EAs with skill and confidence.

All students in Year 12 have signed up for the My QCE - Student Portal via the QCAA Website, where they will be able to access individual final results for subjects, as well the QTAC ATAR Portal, where student **ATARs will be published online on Friday 17 December 2021 from 9:00 am.**

All Year 11 students commence Unit 3 at the beginning of Term 4, 2021. Units 3 & 4 involve the completion of summative assessment tasks that contribute towards their ATAR. Like last year, teachers have completed Endorsement Event 1 for the graduating class of 2022, and we await feedback from the QCAA regarding this process before finalising assessments.

SUBJECT SELECTION

All Subject Selections for 2022 have now been completed for students in Years 8, 9 & 10. This process is a significant one, particularly for students in Year 10, as this will provide the direction of their studies over the next two years as they build towards their QCE and ATAR in 2023. For students in Years 8 & 9, the elective selections allow students to focus upon areas of interest as they move into the next phase of their learning at TAS.

LEARNING ANALYTICS

In early September, teachers undertook training in the use of a new data platform called Learning Analytics. This platform allows staff to monitor student progress across both summative assessments and external results from NAPLAN and ACER PAT (Progressive Assessment Test). The platform allows access to results and tracking of student performance. In 2022, the Learning Analytics site will also be opened to parents and students to access individual student data for goal setting.

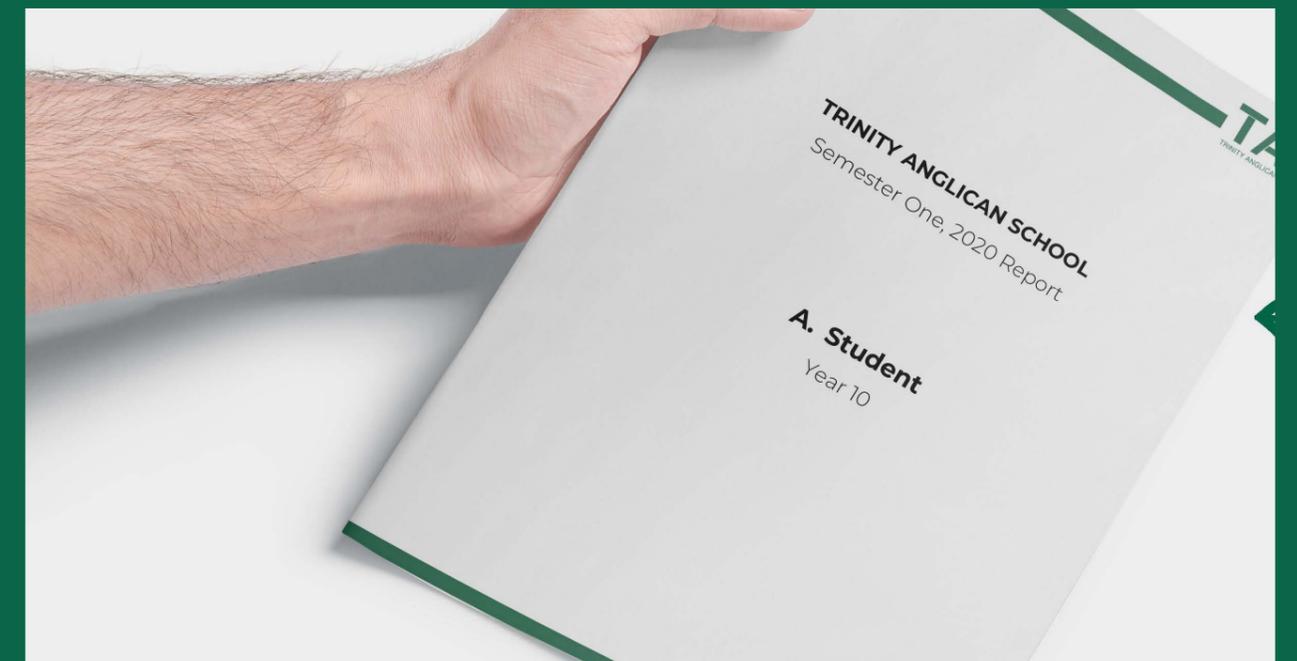
A short video on the range of components available via the Learning Analytics suite can be accessed by scanning the QR Code on your Smartphone.



TERM 3 INTERIM REPORTS

Years 7-10

Years 7-10 Students (and parents/guardians) will receive a copy of the Term 3 Interim Report during the Term 3 holidays via the Students Café/Parent Lounge Portals. These reports provide a snapshot of student progress as well as a rating for Effort in all their academic subjects. It is important that parents/guardians and students read these reports in conjunction with feedback provided via our Learning Management System (LMS) for each assessment task completed in the calculation of the Interim Report Grades.



ROUND SQUARE



INTERNATIONAL WEEK 2021

One of the most popular activities of our annual celebration of Round Square Pillar 'Internationalism', is the opportunity to enjoy food from other cultures.

This year we were lucky enough to have two of our parents, Mrs Toshiko Hara and Mrs Yuko Oguchi, come in and cook a delectable Japanese noodle dish for us. The yakisoba barbeque was enjoyed by over 70 staff and students, and we are very grateful to these ladies for their time and expertise. The Wednesday activities cooking group was responsible for providing Japanese curries this year. Both vegetarian and beef options were prepared under the expert guidance of Mrs Jennifer Fukushima. These, together with the ever-popular butter chicken, prepared by Colette in the tuck shop, made for a very successful curry day.

Funds raised will go towards the Worn up uniform recycling initiative that was announced recently by La Bella Carolan.



INTERNATIONAL TUTORS

It was another wonderful week celebrating all things international. The Gudetama raffle was again very popular and eight prizes were on offer this year. The lucky first prize winner was Ms Saunders. Congratulations to all our winners, and thank you to everyone who supported the raffle.

The Round Square International Week Tutor Trivia Challenge was hotly contested. The winning tutor group and recipient of the perpetual trophy were LELE. Congratulations to all participants.



UNIFORM RECYCLING

As announced by La Bella Carolan at assembly recently, the Round Square Committee will be launching a drive to recycle old uniforms.

The Worn Up recycling pod has been assembled and will be situated in the reception area. Further details to come!

READERS CUP 2021

YEAR 9 AND 10

Readers Cup is organised by the Queensland Branch of the Children's Book Council of Australia. It is a state-wide competition for young readers. Teams of four to five students read a set of books and then compete with other teams to answer questions about the books. This year's competition was held at Cairns State High School where the TAS Team competed against nine other teams to take out second place.

STUDENT REFLECTION – ROSE BELSON

Initially, we started preparing for the 2020 Readers Cup. But soon, we were told that it was postponed till the following year – thanks to COVID! This was so annoying! We had prepared for everything; practice tests, reread all the books and were prepping for the second test when the news hit. Fast forward to Term 1, 2021. The realisation that this was going to be our last year competing was sad.

I love Readers Cup and have been doing it for six years. So, this year had to be our best yet! In 2019 – after we came in third place – we would have two more years to get to first place. Unfortunately, that was not the reality. But, even so, we came second place – by only a few points! We were so proud, but it was still disappointing. We knew that with the extra year of competing we could have made first place.

Despite all the precautions and threats that this year would also be cancelled, it was so much fun! We met people from the previous years, stole more biscuits and thoroughly embarrassed ourselves!

STUDENT REFLECTION – GEORGIA CLAGUE

My Readers Cup experience was a stressful but enjoyable one. We got to read a selection of books, including ones that I wouldn't normally select for myself but that turned out to be good. We read four completely different books and had regular meetings to discuss our progress and express our opinions on each character.

It did get stressful trying to not only finish the books but also to remember details, but we pulled through in the end and came second. I would recommend Readers Cup to anyone who likes to read as it is a great experience.

STUDENT REFLECTION – FRANCES GALE

I thoroughly enjoyed my experience while participating in Readers Cup. I find that I never read enough books, so having something that forced me to not only read but also comprehend the books, was fun. The book choices themselves were also very interesting as they weren't books, I would usually pick out for myself. Although the time limit was a little bit stressful, I finished all the books and understood them.

This was my second year participating in Readers Cup, and I love how the chosen stories allow you to gain more knowledge and insight into another fantasy world or another person's life. The competition itself was really entertaining as well, and I am proud that our team placed second! I recommend Readers Cup to anyone who enjoys reading and wants to have a challenging new experience.



SCIENCE WEEK

Science Week 2021 activities were scaled back considerably this year due to the COVID-19 restrictions. We did, however, run the annual Science Week Tutor Challenge Quiz. It was a very tight competition, and for the second year in a row, the winning tutor group was MALE (Mr Leroy).

The group were presented with the newly created Science Week Perpetual Trophy, with the promise of a tutor morning tea in Term 4. Congratulations, MALE, and thank you to all tutor groups for your participation.



AQUARIUM EXCURSION YEAR 7

Delayed by a couple of weeks, the Year 7 cohort and their teachers enjoyed their visit to the Cairns Aquarium. This is always a popular activity for both staff and students and a great way to learn about adaptations and ecosystems.



RACI NATIONAL TITRATION COMPETITION

Congratulations to Luna Ibanez-Hara, Joy Okereke and Atilia Mohd Aslan Shah (Year 12) for reaching the national final of the RACI Titration Competition.

The students carried out their titrations using unknown samples in the TAS Science Laboratories during week 9, and the team was highly commended in the final.



CAREER AND TERTIARY PATHWAY OPPORTUNITIES

Term 3 also marks a significant period for our senior secondary students as they prepare to 'step up' to the next phase of their education. The Careers Expo in August was a highlight for students in Years 10–12, exposing them to a wider world of work and study opportunities.

Our Year 10 students, having explored university and careers pathways through the Year 10 Pathways program, have now made selections for their Year 11 and 12 studies. Mrs Van Rijssen, Mr Manea and Mrs Baker had the pleasure of meeting with parents and students to discuss their interests and options; this is the beginning of a journey that will see them supported throughout Year 11 and 12 to find the post-school pathway that is right for them.

Year 11 students are also readying themselves for the 'step up' into Year 12 (Unit 3) studies, which commences in Term 4. Having had their first taste of block exams this term, they have been encouraged to reflect on and learn from this experience, as they further refine their study skills.

For our Year 12s, the light is well and truly visible at the end of the tunnel. Working closely with their teachers, they have thrown themselves into strategic preparation for external exams. The upcoming mock exams, which commence in the second week of the break, will be a source of invaluable feedback. This term they have also begun to prepare and submit QTAC applications, with many students also applying for interstate institutions, scholarships and early entry opportunities.





Learning Through Experience



DARREN OSMOND
DIRECTOR OF CO-CURRICULAR

Firstly, we wish to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the lands on which our programs are conducted and pay respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging. We thank them for their incredible stewardship of the environment over thousands of generations.

Our most exciting news is that the Outdoor Education Program was recently selected as the State Award Winner for the new Outdoor Education Australia Awards. Outdoor Education Australia is the national peak body for Outdoor Education. We are now the Queensland state nominee in this award category. The national winners will be announced at the national OE Zoom conference day on Wednesday 29 September. Fingers crossed...



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Keep up to date on all things Outdoor Education



Outdoor Education Introduction Letter

- An introductory letter was emailed at the beginning of the year. For a copy, please email outdooreducation@tas.qld.edu.au.



Outdoor Education Facebook

- We have a private Facebook group for our TAS community to share outdoor education news, photos and stories. [Facebook.com/groups/TASOutdoorEd](https://www.facebook.com/groups/TASOutdoorEd)



Outdoor Education YouTube

- Our YouTube Channel contains more than 60 great videos from past Outdoor Education Programs, including [the 2020 highlights video](#) of our overall program.



New Comprehensive Student and Parent Information Handbook

- [Download here](#). Contains everything you need to know, including details on the equipment required for programs.

WATCH A RECAP OF YEAR 10
OUTDOOR RECREATION PROGRAM
HINCHINBROOK ISLAND HIKING



It's been our busiest term for the year and although we were restricted for two weeks, we still ran four major year-level programs, a Duke of Edinburgh's International Award expedition and an outdoor recreation expedition. In addition, we held outdoor recreation day activities, including a pyramid walk, and also facilitated a professional development day for outdoor educators.

In our role as executive committee members of the Outdoor Educator's Association of Queensland, Miss Beveridge and I facilitated a bushwalking leadership training day at Emerald Escape Camping. It's great being able to share our knowledge and passion for outdoor education with others in our region, and it's the students who ultimately benefit from the continual improvement of outdoor education practices in the region. Running this professional development session also allowed us to further develop a potential new venue. We will announce some small program venue modifications in 2022 that will better serve the needs of our students.

We have also put together two new educational (and hopefully entertaining) videos to help students prepare for programs. These include a video on bush toileting ([link here](#)) and Manky Maps ([link here](#)).

YEAR 4

OUTDOOR EDUCATION PROGRAM

Earlier this Term, the Year 4 students completed their outdoor education program at Quinola Lakes, near Malanda on the Atherton Tablelands. This program is a step up from the Year 3 Program and sees students taking on more responsibility for managing themselves and their equipment.

Aquatic awareness and teamwork activities were some of the major learning opportunities, along with hiking and flora and fauna observation.

Student highlights were the large water slide and jumping board, and seeing some huge butterflies and moths during a talk by 'Uncle Kevin', the caretaker. Students were also able to engage in STEM thinking by looking through a microscope at a butterfly wing. To get to know the primary students better, Ms Baker, Head of Secondary School, also

visited this program for half a day and was able to interact with each of the groups during their activity sessions.

Thank you to the teaching and outdoor education staff who gave their time on this program and to LoveLee Catering and Kevin from Quinola Lakes for their hospitality. Thank you also to Year 12 student Tahlia Middleton who assisted with this program as a volunteer as part of the residential component of her Gold Level Duke of Edinburgh's Award.

WATCH A
RECAP



YEAR 11 OUTDOOR EDUCATION PROGRAM

Earlier this term, the Year 11 cohort began their student leadership journey at TAS. While this outdoor education program consolidated many of the skills learned in previous programs, the primary aim was to build leadership, teamwork and communication skills.

Student highlights were the vertical caving activity and leap-of-faith from 9 m, exploring and swimming the pristine creek and having some time to connect as a whole cohort. Ms Baker attended this program, which allowed for an integration of the revised student leadership training process. When Mr Sjogren visited, he enjoyed seeing the students, in house teams, complete a range of challenging

problem-solving and group initiative tasks. All Year 11 students should now be in a good position to be effective school leaders from this point forward.

Thank you to the teaching and outdoor education staff, who gave their time on this program, and to the Northern Outlook for allowing us to access such a wonderful facility.

WATCH A RECAP  



YEAR 5 OUTDOOR EDUCATION PROGRAM

During week 3, the Year 5 students completed their outdoor education program at Camp Barrabadeen, at Lake Tinaroo on the Atherton Tablelands. While this outdoor education program consolidates many of the personal responsibility skills learnt on the Year 2, 3 and 4 programs, it also introduces several more key outdoor skills, including using tents and sleeping mats, long-drop toileting, hiking, canoeing and abseiling. Student highlights were the food, the evening teamwork activities, water activities and abseiling. Mr Sjogren also visited this program for an afternoon and was able to interact with each of the groups during their activity sessions.

Thank you to the teaching and outdoor education staff who gave of their time on this program, and to LoveLee Catering and Camp Barrabadeen for their hospitality.

WATCH A RECAP  





YEAR 2 OUTDOOR EDUCATION PROGRAM

Towards the end of Term 3, both Kewarra Beach Primary and White Rock Primary students in Year 2 had their very first overnight outdoor education experience in the sleepover program. Students were incredibly excited both before and during this program, and it's great to see them looking forward to outdoor education experiences. Some fun activities in the afternoon introduced concepts like teamwork, cooperation, and organisation. Student highlights included the lasagne dinner and learning how to wash up their own dishes.

Thank you to the tuck shop for making the beautiful lasagnes and salads that the

students loved. Thank you also to Year 12 student Tahlia Middleton, who assisted with these programs as part of the residential component of her Gold-Level Duke of Edinburgh's International Award.



WATCH A
RECAP - KBC



WATCH A
RECAP - WRC





DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S INTERNATIONAL AWARD

WE HAVE A NEW VIDEO EXPLAINING HOW THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S INTERNATIONAL AWARD WORKS AT TAS!



Congratulations to La Bella Carolan on completing her Silver-level Duke of Edinburgh's Award, and to Hayley Graham, Samantha Johnson, Elangi Cuttance, Rose Belson and Laura Gammie-Johnston, who recently received their Bronze-level Awards.

In early September, a group of 10 students and two staff took advantage of the student-free day and long weekend to complete a 4-day Silver/Gold-level expedition. Emerald Escape Camping was used as the venue, which is a great property spanning the Emerald and Davies Creek Valleys. Highlights of the trip included an early morning walk to 'Flat Rock lookout', various cross-country navigation challenges, swimming in Emerald Creek and the waterfall, sunset canoeing on the large lake, and a walk in the dark to experience the sunrise from Adler Hill. Also, a surprise opportunity presented itself to understand indigenous traditional burning practices. This was a wonderful morning, which finished with our group dancing as part of the finale to a video promoting a new children's book, *Looking After Country with Fire*, by Victor Steffensen.

[Watch our recap video here](#)

On Sunday 12 September, nine Duke of Edinburgh students volunteered their time to cater for the TAS Sporting Club Break-up Event. They did a great job with the food preparation, clean up and service and catering for almost 500 people over four hours.

For further information about the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award at TAS, email dukeofedinburgh@tas.qld.edu.au.





SPORT AND ACTIVITIES



JULIE-ANN BROWN CO-ORDINATOR OF SPORT AND ACTIVITIES

Term 3 was action-packed with Interhouse, Interschool and sporting club grand finals. Leichhardt continued to dominate the Interhouse Competition winning the Secondary Interhouse Athletics Carnival, Primary Interhouse Aquathon and Secondary Interhouse Triathlon.

2021 was a successful year for our TAS sporting clubs with three TAS Netball teams and three TAS Hockey teams competing in grand finals. As our TAS sporting clubs continue to grow and develop, we look forward to seeing what the future holds.

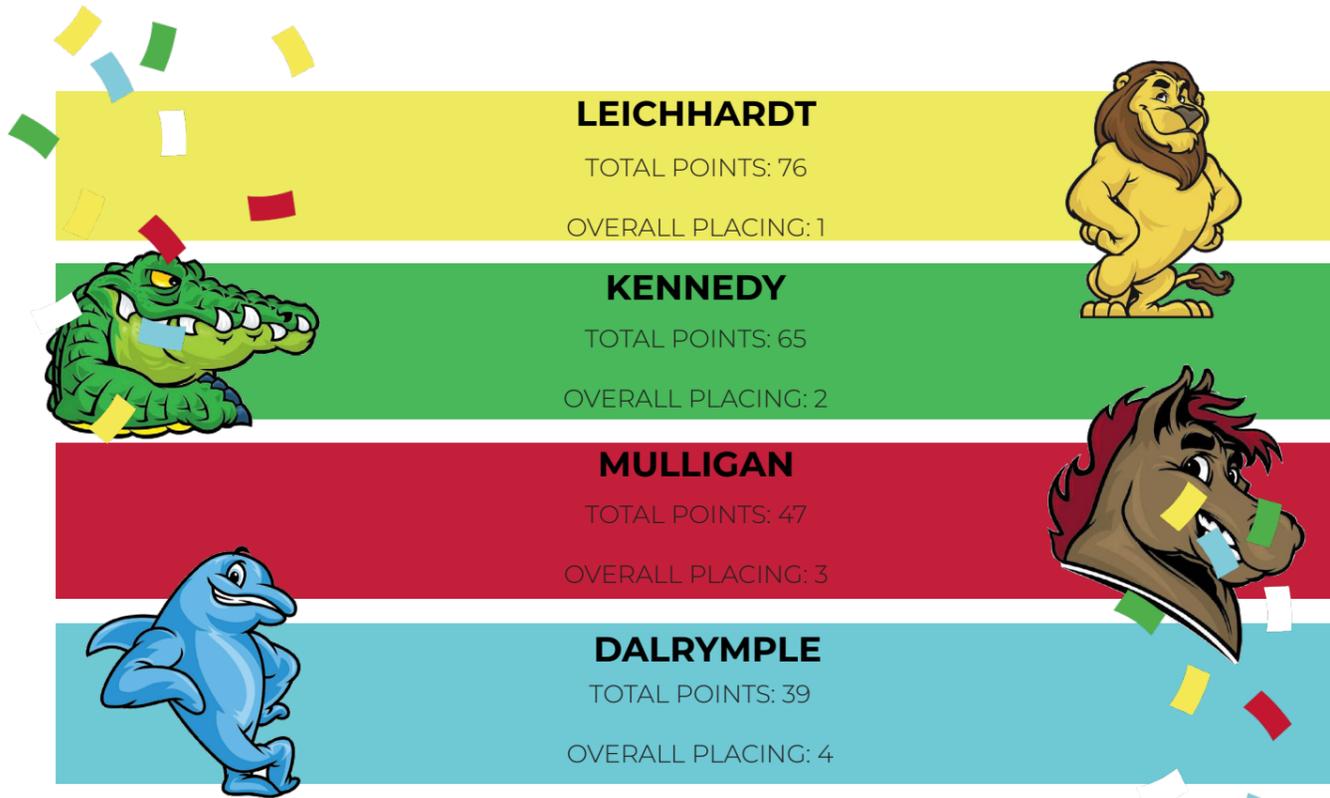
We love hearing about the external sporting achievements of our students, so please email sport@tas.qld.edu.au with details and pictures.



TAS Sport on Facebook

To stay informed about TAS sporting matters, including current events, upcoming events, photos and results, [click here and join the TAS Sport Facebook group.](#)

HOUSE RESULTS



SECONDARY ACTIVITIES PROGRAM

The Secondary Activities Program runs throughout the four terms of the school year. Activities are delivered by specialist instructors and our very own teaching staff. In Term 3, students in Years 7-10 participated in the following activities:



SECONDARY ACTIVITIES PROGRAM	
INTERHOUSE SPORTS CHALLENGE	Representing their house students competed against each other in a variety of sports over the term, including basketball, netball, volleyball, soccer, touch and oz tag.
COOKING	Students were provided with opportunities to further develop their cooking skills. A range of foods were produced, from snacks to main meals and desserts.
GOLF	Students travelled to the Cairns Golf Club to learn to play golf and improve their swing under the expert guidance of the Cairns Golf Club Pro.
E-SPORTS	Students participated in competitive team based, age-appropriate gaming.
MATHS & ENGLISH ASSISTANCE	Students were provided with the opportunity to spend time honing their Maths and English skills with the assistance of specialist Maths and English teachers.
KICKBOXING	Students participated in Muay Thai based kickboxing sessions focusses on speed and precision to build fitness.
FITNESS WORKOUT	Students began the gym session with a HIIT workout (high intensity interval training) to increase their heart rate through intense bursts of exercise. They were then taken through a strength and conditioning program by a fully qualified fitness instructor before finishing with stretching.
TABLE TENNIS	Students participated in a round robin style table tennis competition, where they honed their table tennis skills and competed in a fun environment.
WOODWORKING	Students were provided with materials and resources to design and



SECONDARY INTERHOUSE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The Secondary Interhouse Athletics Carnival was held on Tuesday 20 July at Barlow Park. It was wonderful to see students representing their house with pride and enthusiasm. Three records were broken at the 2021 Interhouse Athletics Carnival. Well done to the following students:

- Poppy Loveridge
- Liam O'Shea
- Sofia Stoelhorst

OVERALL PLACINGS:

Junior Trophy – Leichhardt
Senior Trophy – Leichhardt
Overall – Leichhardt



INDIVIDUAL AGE CHAMPIONS			
AGE GROUP	1ST	2ND	3RD
12 & UNDER GIRLS	Ruby Walkear	Poppy Loveridge	Georgia Mann
12 & UNDER BOYS	Charlie Small	Mark Robati	Jai Jassar
13 & UNDER GIRLS	Imogen Green	Carleena Robati	Lexi Graham & Alyssa Atfield
13 & UNDER BOYS	Liam O'Shea	Lachlan Ryan	Jesse Locke
14 & UNDER GIRLS	Georgia Willis	Giaan Tippet	Mackenzie Stevens
14 & UNDER BOYS	Sean O'Reilly	Xavier Hillier	Jonah Matthews
15 & UNDER GIRLS	Veronica Stocks	Taylah Steinhoffer	Lara Atfield
15 & UNDER BOYS	Ike Martinez	Crawford McElroy	Daniel Statton
16 & UNDER GIRLS	Elangi Cuttance	Chantelle O'Reilly	Georgia Grail
16 & UNDER BOYS	Kyle Greenwood	Andrew Maccoll	Nicholas Berther
17 & OVER GIRLS	Faith Tippet	Thea Sorenson	Abbie Curtis
17 & OVER BOYS	Steven Li	Lani Callister	Dylan Stones

School Record Breakers

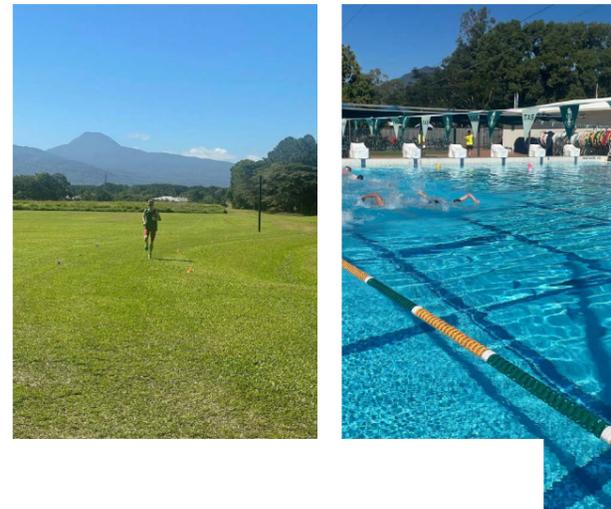
STUDENT NAME	EVENT	OLD RECORD	NEW RECORD
Poppy Loveridge	12 Girls 100m Run	15.74	14.89
Liam O'Shea	13 Boys 100m Run	13.49	13.40
Sofia Stoelhorst	12 Girls Shot Put	5.42	6.49



PRIMARY INTERHOUSE AQUATHON

The Years 3–6 Interhouse Aquathon was held at the TAS Aquatic Centre on Friday 23 July. Congratulations to all the students who represented their houses proudly and to Leichhardt, who were crowned the overall winning house for the third time this year. Well done to all the age champions listed below.

INDIVIDUAL AGE CHAMPIONS			
AGE GROUP	1ST	2ND	3RD
8 & U GIRLS	Ella Wright	Isla O'Mahony	Lilian Zhang
8 & U BOYS	Archie Loveridge	Crosby Thomas	Benjamin Limpus
9 & U GIRLS	Madeleine Sneddon	Sienna Edwards	Ivy O'Shea
9 & U BOYS	Clancy Ross	Jett Bentley	Hayden Coxon
10 & U GIRLS	Bianca Aiken	Chelsea Turnbull	Matilda Hill
10 & U BOYS	Oscar Loveridge	Hamish Mead	Cameron Ezard
11 & U GIRLS	Hana Shimizu	Liana Wright	Astrid Carter
11 & U BOYS	Louis Eisen	Lucas Qu	Ari David-Stern
12 & U GIRLS	Carmen Matthews	Arabella Lulham	Ashlyn Tanswell
12 & U BOYS	Luke Swindale	Alessandro Mocci	Jediah O'Connor



SECONDARY INTERHOUSE TRIATHLON

The Secondary Interhouse Triathlon was held at the TAS Aquatic Centre on Friday 30 July. It was great to see so many committed students encouraging each other and challenging themselves. We once again congratulate Leichhardt, who were crowned the overall winners of the Secondary Interhouse Triathlon.

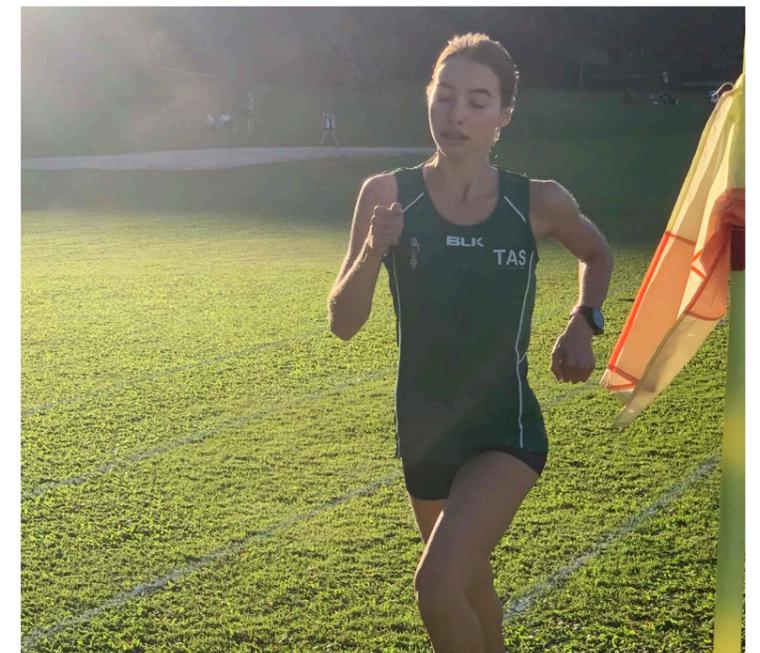
INDIVIDUAL AGE CHAMPIONS

AGE GROUP	1ST	2ND	3RD
12 & UNDER GIRLS	Poppy Loveridge	Ruby Walkear	Georgia Mann
12 & UNDER BOYS	Jack Pickstone	George Lawie	Jai Jassar
13 & UNDER GIRLS	Lexi Graham	Alyssa Atfield	Lily Edwards
13 & UNDER BOYS	Luke Berther	Alexander Pole	Liam O'Shea
14 & UNDER GIRLS	Claire Leary	Summer Tottman	Eliza Sailor-Tabuai
14 & UNDER BOYS	Jonah Matthews	Hugo Loveridge	Jay Curtis
15 & UNDER GIRLS	Rebecca Robinson	Amber Robinson	Taylah Steinhofer
15 & UNDER BOYS	Ike Martinez	Daniel Statton	Matthew Elliott-Darlow
16 & UNDER GIRLS	Daisy Colbridge	Pip Taylor	Jasmine Harpley
16 & UNDER BOYS	Kyle Greenwood	Andrew Maccoll	Jahraan Sutherland
17 & OVER GIRLS	Kiana Turnbull	Maegan Berther	Holly Brislan
17 & OVER BOYS	Murray Colbridge	Steven Li	Nathan Laurence

TCS INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Students aged 10–19 years participated in the TCS Interschool Athletics Carnival at Barlow Park during August. There were some remarkable achievements, with an incredible 47 TAS students qualifying to represent TCS at the Peninsula Athletics Carnival, which was unfortunately cancelled due to COVID restrictions. The TAS Interschool Athletics team were awarded the Aggregate Award in the 13–19 Years Competition. Congratulations to Elangi Cuttance, who was the 16 Years Girls Age Champion. We also congratulate the following students who finished top 3 overall in their age group:

- 13 YEARS GIRLS – 3RD AGE CHAMPION: IMOGEN GREEN
- 13 YEARS BOYS – 3RD AGE CHAMPION: LIAM O'SHEA
- 14 YEARS GIRLS – 3RD AGE CHAMPION: GIAAN TIPPET
- 15 YEARS BOYS – 2ND AGE CHAMPION: IKE MARTINEZ
- 16 YEARS GIRLS – 1ST AGE CHAMPION: ELANGI CUTTANCE
- 16 YEARS BOYS – 3RD AGE CHAMPION: KYLE GREENWOOD



FOWLER'S GROUP PRIMARY NETBALL CARNIVAL

The Fowler's Group Primary Netball Carnival was held on Thursday 2 September at the Cairns Netball Association. The TAS U10 & U12 netball players represented the school with pride and enthusiasm.



JGFA SCHOOL SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIPS

The JGFA School Soccer Championships were held at the Holloways Beach Sporting Complex earlier this term. TAS entered seven teams in the competition, with players selected from both the TAS White Rock and Kewarra Beach Campuses. Congratulations to the TAS U8 team, who were runners-up in their division. Well done to Archie Loveridge, who was named the U8 Most Valuable Player of the tournament. We also congratulate Crosby Thomas (U8) and Liam O'Shea (U14), who were presented with the Golden Boot Award for their age group as the highest goal scorers of the tournament.



BDO SCHOOL HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIPS

The BDO School Hockey Championships were held over two days at the Cairns Hockey Association for both primary and secondary students. TAS entered three teams in the competition, with students representing the school from both the White Rock and Kewarra Beach Campuses. Congratulations to the TAS Primary Girls Team, who were runners-up in the Primary Girls Competition after St Joseph's scored a goal on the buzzer to win the final 3-2. We also congratulate Kobi Tippet, who was awarded the Adam Catalano Best and Fairest Player in the Primary Boys Competition.



TAS SPORT

2021 has been a successful year for TAS Netball Club, TAS Hockey Club and TAS Football Club. We witnessed growth and development in all our players during the season. The TAS Netball club had three out of the four teams progress to the Cairns Netball Association Grand Final. We congratulate the U14 TAS Taipans, U16 TAS Tigers and U18 TAS Dragons who were runners-up in the Cairns Netball Association Competition.

The TAS Brothers Hockey Club also had three teams progress to the Cairns Hockey Association Grand Finals. We congratulate the U18A & U18B Women's Team on being crowned the 2021 Cairns Hockey Association champions after they defeated Souths in the Grand Finals. We also congratulate the P56 Girls' Team who were runners-up in their age division.

The TAS Sporting Club Break-Up event was held at the TAS Aquatic Centre on Sunday 12 September. It was a fantastic way to celebrate the hard work of all players, coaches and parents. We congratulate the following students on their awards:

TAS FOOTBALL

- U14/15 Best & Fairest - Thomas Hayward
- U14/15 Most Improved - Rhea Halkidis
- U14/15 Player of the Year - Brodie Beatty

TAS BROTHERS HOCKEY

- Player of the Year - Elangi Cuttance

TAS NETBALL

- U12 Emeralds Best & Fairest - Lana Kandakji
- U12 Emeralds Most Improved - Emily Hayward
- U14 Taipans Best & Fairest - Lexi Graham
- U14 Taipans Most Improved - Lara Godden
- U16 Tigers Best & Fairest - Carleena Robati
- U16 Tigers Most Improved - Natalia Howe & Eliza Sailor-Tabuai
- U18 Dragons Best & Fairest - Krista-Lee Cone
- U18 Dragons Most Improved - Eli Zappala
- TAS Netball Player of the Year - Alice Reeves

IMPORTANT DATES

5 OCT LTS Term 4 starts	10 DEC LTS Term 4 ends	4 OCT PUBLIC HOLIDAY
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NEW HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Monday 20 September – Friday 1 October

We have moved from a 48-week (per year) swimming program (4 x 12-week terms), to a 40-week (per year) program (4 x 10-week terms), with the option of school holidays lessons as an add-on. This conveniently allows parents to book lessons that do not conflict with their school holidays.

CHRISTMAS PARTY 2021

We will be holding a Christmas Party for our fantastic SwimKids on Sunday 12 December at the TAS Aquatic Centre.

When: Sunday 12 December, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Cost: Gold Coin Entry Per Family, Sausage Sizzle \$2 each, Drinks \$2 each

[RSVP HERE](#)

Please bring: A small wrapped gift for your child that will be put in Santa's Sack, and given out on the day by the big man himself!



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SQUAD BILLING

Squads are billed quarterly and an invoice will be sent out for the full amount (three months). Payment can be made either in full or monthly depending on your preference.

HOW TO PAY?

1. Bank Transfer information is provided at the base of your invoice.
2. Online via the Parent Portal – click Pay Now on your invoice.
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TERM 3 RECAP

Kewarra Beach Early Learning Centre have been learning about traditional housing during Term 3. The children engaged in some extensive research around the humpies (gunyah) and then set out to build their own. They used jute rope, palm fronds, paperbark and cardboard. Children achieved great learning outcomes through this project and learnt about traditional customs as well.

Kelly Hart
Kewarra Beach ELC





**WHITE ROCK
EARLY LEARNING CENTRE**

TERM 3 RECAP



Term three has been a very busy time for our Kindy students. Students spent time participating in outdoor athletics games, including running races, egg and spoon relays, long jump and vortex as practice for their K-2 Athletics Carnival. The children learned about good sportsmanship while cheering for their friends and encouraging each other. It was a great opportunity for our students to integrate into the community and gain a stronger sense of belonging to the school.



TERM IN REVIEW

“TERM 4 IS FOCUSED ON PREPARING CHILDREN FOR THE TRANSITION TO PREP.”

AMANDA ROBSON

Term 3 has also meant the start of our journey around the world as we 'travel' to different countries to explore the cultures, traditions, language, music and local foods. This term, we have travelled to China, Fiji, Japan, Germany, Syria, Lebanon, Italy and India. Our Kindy families have generously taken time to help teach students international words, songs, dances and stories. We are very grateful to have these opportunities and the children have learned so much.

Term 4 is focused on preparing children for the transition to Prep. We will be visiting the Prep classrooms, allowing children the opportunity to make friends with the Prep students, speak with Prep teachers and complete Prep Routines like morning tea. These experiences help ease the transition to Prep so they are confident learners in 2022.



With Christmas drawing closer, our Kindy students will also be writing letters to Santa. The children have been learning about letters, sounds and words throughout the year and we will be using all our knowledge to create and send a letter to Santa with our wishes for Christmas. Children will be looking at how the mail system works and why it is important to our community. When the letters are complete, we will take a walk to the local post box to send our letters and see if Santa sends a letter back... fingers crossed!



ALUMNI CORNER

QCAA QCE AWARDS

Congratulations to Lexi Hope and Victor Huang (Class of 2020), who are featured in the QCAA QCE Achievement Awards booklet distributed around Queensland.

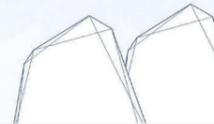
Of the 37 students receiving this top award, only three in total were awarded to students in North Queensland.

Well done Victor and Lexi!



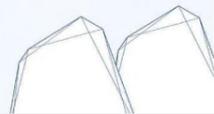
Alexandra Hope
Trinity Anglican School
Career goal:
I hope to contribute to the medical field, specifically within paediatrics.
Study plans:
I'm studying a Bachelor of Medical Science (provisional entry to Doctor of Medicine) at Griffith University.
Favourite subject in Year 12:
Specialist Mathematics was my favourite subject. Although the content challenged me, my class and teacher made every lesson enjoyable and there was never a dull moment.

'I'm motivated by knowing what the future can hold and knowing that study will only aid me in my future endeavors.'



Victor Huang
Trinity Anglican School
Career goal:
To become a mechanical engineer and develop innovative systems and mechanisms to improve life.
Study plans:
Bachelor of Engineering and Bachelor of Mathematics at The University of Queensland.
Favourite subject in Year 12:
Physics because it had the greatest link between theory and practical application in real life.

'I've always had an interest in engineering and like the idea of designing or improving solutions to common or uncommon issues.'



DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S INTERNATIONAL AWARD

Congratulations to India Rowbottom (Class of 2020), who recently attended the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award Ceremony at the Brisbane City Town Hall and was awarded her Gold Award by the Governor of Queensland. Achievement of the Gold Award is a massive accomplishment. In fact, the students who receive it in the UK are presented the award by a member of the Royal Family.

As a prerequisite to her Gold Award, India previously received the Bronze and Silver Award and dedicated three hours a week (for 12 months) to community service, physical recreation and learning new skills. She also participated in an Adventurous Journey (four days and three nights) and completed a Gold Residential Project (five days and four nights).

Congratulations India!



WALLABIES DEBUT

Past student Darcy Swain, who credits TAS for helping him discover and fall in love with Rugby, recently made his debut for the Wallabies in their test match against France. Congratulations, Darcy!



STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS



INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS QLD: BIG IDEA SUMMIT, TOWNSVILLE

Earlier this term, selected White Rock Campus educators travelled to Townsville to present at the Independent Schools Queensland: Big Idea Summit, held at Townsville Grammar School. Mr Peter Gazzola, Head of White Rock Primary, Ms Michelle Breen, White Rock Primary Prep to Year 6 Coordinator, Mr James Gynther, White Rock Secondary Head of Humanities and Ms Claire Swain, White Rock Secondary Head of English, presented a range of bespoke programs being delivered

at TAS. They included: our Care & Connect Program in Primary School, a link between the ESCMs (Essential Skills of Classroom Management) and Marzano's work, and innovative ATSI (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Studies) units for Years 11 and 12.

All presentations were very well received by those in attendance and reinforced the excellent work being done by staff across the school.





Inspiring the curious.



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