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Excellence in Education for All
What a pleasure to be asked to write a piece for this informative and celebratory publication.

In preparation I needed to reflect on the past semester and many highlights spring to mind. The opening of the Trade Training Centre, cultural performances, award ceremonies, sporting successes, subject selection evenings to name a few – each different, each with their own purpose but each aimed to highlight and celebrate all that Maroochydore High does well.

However, the inspiration came from closer sources. My son has many friends from Maroochydore High, plays sport with others. I have had many of them in my own home – and these are children that any parent would be proud of. They are respectful and rounded. They are our greatest asset and the future looks brighter for them.

Last year I was able to assist in the canteen for a day. It was a full and busy day and I am filled with admiration for the staff and volunteers that make the running of a vibrant canteen seem effortless. The students were well mannered and very well behaved.

Our school is helping raise responsible citizens – what a wonderful achievement.

I urge parents and students alike to spend time perusing the articles within these pages – for the words and pictures highlight the broad and deep opportunities open to our students. The stories are of real students, staff and families that have chosen our school and have dedicated their time and efforts for the greater good of all who walk through our gates.

Julie Lowry
President Parents & Citizens’ Association

Welcome to the seventh edition of Maroochydore Mail, a retrospective on Semester 2 2011 at Maroochydore State High School.

The school improvement agenda has continued to bear fruit with improved Year 12 outcomes again evident in 2011, especially in the upper Overall Positions. A critical component of this agenda has been the sharpened focus on the effectiveness of classroom teaching through our Art and Science of Teaching project.

A particular highlight in Semester 2 2011 was the completion and opening of the Coastal Cookery Trade Training Centre; this facility will allow us to deliver top class training to school based apprentice chefs.

Our students and staff continue to shine in a wonderful range of curricular, cocurricular and extracurricular activities; our school does offer something for everyone and the stories and photos in this edition are further testament to our pursuit of our vision of Excellence in Education for All.

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Acting Principal

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QUEENSLAND TRAINING AWARDS

Year 12 student Tia Dunn was one of three students from the Sunshine Coast region who were successful with their nomination for the Qld Training Awards School Based Trainee of the Year. The regional awards were held in Maryborough on 30th July and although Tia was not successful in moving on to the state finals, she was a wonderful ambassador for Maroochydore High completing not one, but two school based traineeships.
SUCCESS AT THE LOCAL, STATE AND NATIONAL LEVELS

Year 11 student, Sara Dunbar, leads a very busy life and was recognized in a number of different fields during the year for her excellent achievements. It should come as no surprise after reading about Sara’s accomplishments that she is the Student Council President for 2012.

Sara was elected as the youth member for Maroochydore in February for the Queensland Youth Parliament. This program is one where the youth of Queensland sit in as the State Government. In April, Sara went to a two day forum then over the next four months, her committee of Law, Justice and Corrective Services wrote their bill. Over the school holidays in September, there was a week long camp where they spent four days debating a total of seven bills. Sara had to debate a number of issues, give a Private Member’s Statement and debate National and State Matters of Public Importance.

Sara was also nominated as the Queensland representative in the Group Training Australia’s “Today’s Skills Tomorrow’s Leaders” awards. Sara was flown to Canberra and attended the first day of Parliament after the winter break. She attended a number of meetings with politicians from both sides of Government to discuss issues relating to school based group training in Queensland. This experience gave Sara an insight into the life of a Federal Parliamentarian as well as promoting Group Training in Queensland and Maroochydore State High School.

Sara was also the Queensland nominee for the Group Training Australia School Based Apprentice or Trainee of the Year held in Melbourne in October. Sara was also asked to speak about her experiences as a school based trainee in Queensland at the Group Training National Conference. Sara was one of only four apprentices and trainees interviewed and the only current school based apprentice or trainee.

TOP STUDENT ARTIST ON THE SUNSHINE COAST

Year 12 artist Bonnie Fesselet received a Highly Commended award at the annual Creative Generations Awards for Excellence in Visual Art and Design Exhibition held at the University of the Sunshine Coast. Bonnie and Rachel Hirsimaki’s work was chosen to represent Maroochydore SHS, along with 66 other works from 34 schools in the North Coast Region. Bonnie’s “Through the Looking Glass”, a mixed media triptych exploring the concept of the Existence of Alice from the fantasy story Alice in Wonderland, was one of ten works selected from the 67 entered as the most outstanding student work produced this year.
**FUTURE LEADERS INDIGENOUS AWARD WINNER**

Year 10 student Jordanna Christensen has won a Future Leaders Indigenous Award 2012. There are only 76 awards made nation-wide, so this is wonderful recognition for Jordanna. Jordanna receives a $1000 scholarship to help her with her school fees.

**EDUCATION TOWARD EMPLOYMENT SCHOLARSHIP**

Year 9 student Ella Cramp-Slater has been awarded an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander ‘Education toward Employment’ scholarship for 2012. With a high standard of applications for the 2012 scheme, the judging panel was very impressed by the leadership being shown by young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people across Queensland. Out of over 600 applications received, Ella was one of around 100 successful applicants across Queensland to receive a scholarship. The scholarship will assist Ella with her schooling costs in Year 10.

**ASIAN EXPERIENCE FOR YOUNG SCIENTIST**

Maroochydore State High School Captain and avid young scientist Ben Schulz attended the 4th APEC Youth Science Festival at Thammasat University in Thailand. The Youth Science Festival was a 7-day program where students aged 15-18 from APEC (Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation) countries came together to enhance the awareness of the importance and potential impact of science and technology. Ben was one of seventeen young Australians from across the continent that represented Australia at this event. Ben was selected after a rigorous application process from the pool of attendees at the National Youth Science Forum in Canberra in January 2011.

Ben attended many lectures from world renowned scientists and participated in many workshops and hands on activities with like-minded young people from the 21 member countries. Ben said that “these speakers emphasised the idea of using nature to guide science and technology”

**A VOICE AT CREATIVE GENERATIONS**

Each year at Maroochydore SHS, we inherit talented musicians that already have amazing potential and proficiency ahead of their years with outstanding performance skills across a range of music areas. This year, Year 11 student Erica Bocchino performed as a featured vocalist at the 2011 Creative Generation State Schools Onstage event at the Brisbane Convention Centre concert hall in July – the largest annual event run by Education Queensland. Erica, who has performed extensively throughout the past four years at Maroochydore State High School and within the Sunshine Coast community, was one of a handful of vocalists selected from 500 students that auditioned from around Queensland. Erica was also selected to participate in the annual State Honours Ensemble Program at the Queensland Conservatorium of Music in September.
GARY TURNER

Award winning Science teacher Gary Turner enjoyed two special occasions in Term 4. He attended an awards ceremony in Melbourne for the Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership. Gary had won this award as the Queensland Secondary Teacher of the Year and had been nominated for the national award. While he didn’t receive the national award, state recognition is an outstanding achievement and he had an enjoyable and interesting time mixing with other high performing teachers from around Australia.

Gary also received the honour of being the only teacher amongst 100 invited guests – all high achieving Queenslanders - who had lunch with Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II during her visit to South Bank. Gary thoroughly enjoyed this rare opportunity and also found the conversations with other high achievers from all walks of life to be very enriching. This is certainly worthy recognition for Gary.

PETER DOHERTY AWARD WINNER

Maroochydore State High School Science Support Officer Gwenda Tudman has won one of two Peter Doherty awards for the Outstanding Science Support Officer in Queensland. These awards recognise people who have made outstanding and innovative contributions to science and science education in Queensland and are regarded as a prestigious and well-respected state acknowledgement of excellence. Gwenda’s expertise is well known and she has presented at the Australian National Science Teachers’ Conference because of her knowledge and experience, especially in Biotechnology. Gwenda has received a $5,000 grant to further her professional learning.

SUNY RELATIONSHIP CONTINUES

In a continuing relationship with the State University of New York (SUNY) we again hosted two preservice teachers; Justin Battino and Jillian Walsh were here for nine weeks teaching in our Physical Education faculty under the watchful eyes of their supervising teachers, Sue Janz and Andrew Wilson. Justin and Jillian fitted in very well, made positive contributions to our school and also brought a little of the USA to our students.

WORLD TEACHERS’ DAY

World Teachers’ Day provided a great opportunity to acknowledge our teachers and thank them for the wonderful work that they do. The highlight was a special Breast Cancer Pink Ribbon Day morning tea held in conjunction with World Teachers’ Day. It was also a little more special as it was the first World Teachers’ Day celebrated in our new Trade Training Centre Restaurant. A number of teachers also received service recognition awards: Shona Liddy (10 years), Jenny Stewart (5 years) and Courtney Rowden (5 years).
Eighty invited guests witnessed the opening of the Coastal Cookery Trade Training Centre by Senator Claire Moore on Friday 14 October. Short speeches by Principal Mr Boyd Jorgensen, P&C President Mrs Julie Lowry and Apprentice chef, Mollie Maher, along with a short audio visual presentation preceded the unveiling of a commemorative plaque by Senator Moore. Guests then enjoyed a scrumptious afternoon tea prepared by students who use the Centre.
SILVER MEDALLIST AT THE NESTLE GOLDEN CHEF HAT COMPETITION

Year 11 student Mollie Maher has made a wonderful start to a very promising career as a Chef. Mollie is a school-based apprentice from the Coastal Cookery Trade Training Centre who works and trains part-time at the Novotel Twin Waters Resort. In July, Mollie was a member of one of three teams (each with two apprentice chefs) that competed in the Nestle Golden Chef Hat Competition.

This competition was held at the Gold Coast TAFE and is the unofficial championship for apprentice chefs in Queensland. Mollie was paired with another sixteen-year-old apprentice chef from the Novotel Twin Waters and together they competed against much more experienced and older apprentices. The quality of the preparation, cooking, and presentation of their three-course meal was such that they earned them the silver medal in the competition and also earned the right to be recognized in the top four apprentice chefs in Queensland.

EUMUNDI MARKET CHEF CHALLENGE

After a nail-biting showdown in the Eumundi Markets outdoor kitchen, Maroochydore State High School Year 10 Hospitality students Dylan Kelly, Michael Nugent and Daniel Harper defeated Year 12 students of St Andrews Anglican College on Wednesday 7 September in the Eumundi Market Chef Grand Final. Launched in 2011, the Market Chef competition saw students from high schools across the Sunshine Coast battle it out in heats each Wednesday throughout Terms 2 and 3.

The weekly Market Chef battles were hosted by chef Peter Wolfe, renowned for his kitchen wizardry and for his recipes incorporating bush foods and organic ingredients. “The competition has really challenged the students each week, as they’ve only been told the name of the dish prior to each week’s cook-off – not the actual recipe,” Peter said. “They haven’t seen the ingredients nor recipe until they’ve arrived for the competition to cook”.

The same applied in the grand final; however, the finalists did not even know the name of the dish in advance. It was a surprise until they arrived. The boys prepared three dishes in 60 minutes – a rocket salad, chicken stir fry and strawberries, accompanied with Chantilly cream.
CAMBODIA – A LIFE CHANGING EXPERIENCE

Throughout 2011, thirteen students keenly fundraised and worked towards September 9 when they would board a plane that would take them to Cambodia for sixteen days for the annual Humanitarian Project. One of the main aims at the Save the Children for Development Orphanage (SCD) was to spend as much time with the students speaking English. English lessons were organised with the Maroochydore High students taking on the role of teacher, being responsible for the teaching and for the focus of the lesson. Planning and implementing the lessons for a wide range of Cambodian children took to it like they had been teaching forever!

GRADUATION FORMAL AND GRADUATION CEREMONY

The graduating class of 2011 gathered at the Maroochydore RSL Club on Monday night 14 November to celebrate their forthcoming graduation on Friday 18 November. About 500 students and family gathered for a reception, speeches and photos, followed by a formal dinner and presentations for the students and staff. Students’ attitude, participation and behaviour during the reception and Friday’s Graduation Ceremony was exemplary and a very fitting way to celebrate the end of formal schooling for a great group of students.
Travelling out to the SCD Farm was an important time for our students. They were shown the first steps for SCD to become self-sufficient with the planting of potatoes, sweet potatoes, peanuts and cucumbers. This independence will significantly assist the orphanage with costs. The purchase of a photocopier was a big achievement for Maroochydore High. This will make teaching much easier with the convenience of the copier; no more travelling 40 minutes for the Khmer teachers to prepare and copy for their lessons.

Working with HUSK was a life-changing experience for both our students and for the families that the students worked with. During three days of work the students planted a rice field and built a hydroponic garden for a widowed mother; they also made six panels of walls for a family’s rotting house and replaced them, giving them a new home.

The 2011 Humanitarian Project was a success in so many areas – the ability to donate $12 000 to SCD for the photocopier and a truck for the farm and to continue our support of the school in Manvi, India with a $10 000 donation is matched by the journey these students undertake both emotionally and physically in Cambodia.

TRADE ABILITY PROGRAM

With the support of Acclaim Apprentices and Trainees Group Training Company, twenty Year 9 student leaders participated in the “Trade Ability Program” - a part of the Group Training Queensland Conference in July. The aim of the program is to create an interest, enthusiasm and awareness of the fundamentals of “trade” primarily with secondary school students, but also in others who may not have previously considered a career as a tradesperson. Group training has been a feature of Australia’s apprenticeship and traineeship system for over 20 years and their support for both small and medium sized companies in the promotion of training in traditional trades and employment of teenage apprentices and trainees has made group training highly valued.

UQ YOUNG SCHOLARS

Year 11 students, David Fensom and Jacob Turner, have been successful in securing positions as 2011-2012 UQ Young Scholars. The program is designed to nurture and develop future leaders and presents students with a unique opportunity for academic extension and enrichment. The boys will be challenged to think critically about some of today’s major global issues and throughout their participation will be exposed to a wide range of potential study areas and career opportunities.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Maroochydore State High School commemorated Remembrance Day with a minute’s silence on 11 November. Principal Mr Boyd Jorgensen and Deputy Principal Mr Ken Ernst attended the Maroochydore Remembrance Day Ceremony at Cotton Tree, accompanied by four Year 8 student leaders and 2012 School Captains Rhiannon Newberry and Riley Dwyer. The students laid a wreath, Year 8 student Tia Guy read a poem, while a small concert band ensemble from the school, led by Mr Ross Lancaster and accompanied by Mr Scott Gaedtke, provided the music for the ceremony.
SNIPPETS ABOUT SUCCESS

- Katherine Ernst (Year 10) and Patrick Rykiert (Year 12) - recognized at the Sunshine Coast Theatre Festival; Katherine was awarded Best Female Actor (Youth Section) and Patrick was awarded Best Male Actor (Youth Section).
- Emma Godfrey (Year 11) – presented with a Queen Scout award by the Governor General in Brisbane.
- Michael Marshall (Year 12) - awarded a Head Start Scholarship at the University of the Sunshine Coast.
- Jamie Hind (Year 9) and Sullivan Heywood (Year 9) - selected in the Sunshine Coast Honours Wind Ensemble Program.
- Jordanna Christensen, Jeff Dickinson-Fox, Sophia McLaren, Reena Tan and Haylee Wells (all Year 10) – recipients of Queensland University of Technology “Students with Potential” awards (aimed at encouraging capable young people to consider University as a post-school option).
- Ho-Ni Nguyen and Emese Creighton (Year 11) - chosen to participate in the Students Performing Advanced Research Qld (SPARQ-ed) Immersion Program at Princess Alexandra Hospital in Brisbane. They used modern molecular biology techniques to address a research question, work in a laboratory and experience life as scientific researchers.
- Ziggy Turner (Year 9) – High Distinction in the national Science International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS).
- The Year 8 Opti Minds team - Matt Somerville, Brooklyn Cundy, Erin-Lee Irwin, Claire Vincenti, Kiana Swartz-Huet, Amber Edmonds and Sam Ballinger - received honours in the Science and Engineering Challenge at the Sunshine Coast Regional final.

STUDENTS SHOW POLISH

The Maroochy RSL sponsored the venue and lunch at the Beacon Foundation Polish Program held on 28th October. The program has been incorporated as part of the Year 9 Leadership program at Maroochydore SHS. Polish is a one-day, dynamic, highly interactive program presented by exciting young professionals who have a personal passion for the future of our young people. Students leave the program with a greater understanding of the expectations of employers and the real world, greater self esteem and a standard of presentation that ensures young people are given the opportunities they deserve.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

TERM 3
Twenty five new international students made a flying start to their time at Maroochydore State High School in term 3. Within the first month they completed the Surf Awareness program in cool but beautiful Sunshine Coast winter conditions and really enjoyed themselves at the school athletics carnival with very high participation rates. Another highlight was a Friday night trip to Suncorp Stadium to watch the Broncos play the Cronulla Sharks.

TERM 4
Twenty three students remained for term 4 with eight of those continuing their studies in 2012. Students were farewelled on 25th November with a bus tour around iconic Sunshine Coast sights and a picnic. Highlights during this term included at least five students winning awards at Awards Night and trips to the Great Barrier Reef and Sydney.
INTERHOUSE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

What a contrast to 2010! Two beautiful days of clear skies and warm weather enabled us to complete the athletics program successfully with generally high participation levels, particularly on the second day of competition. Last year’s runner-up house, Kingsford-Smith, established a lead early and steadily extended this to become 2011 Champions.

Again there were a number of outstanding performances with some very old records tumbling. Congratulations to the following record breakers: Taylor Burns (two records), Emma Lawrence (two records), Danica Bloomfield, Kit Tyers and the 15 years boy’s 100 metres relay team. Kit broke a record in the 14 years boy’s 800 metres that had stood since 1981.

Congratulations to the Athletics Age Champions:

Girls 13 years: Chelsea Polizzi
Girls 14 years: Danica Bloomfield
Girls 15 years: Shannon Campbell
Girls 16 years: Peta Langton
Girls 17+ years: Matilda Morris

Boys 13 years: Louis Geraghty
Boys 14 years: Jed Zanos
Boys 15 years: Taylor Burns
Boys 16 years: Riley Dwyer
Boys 17+ years: Kane Brown

CENTRAL ZONE INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Maroochydore State High School performed strongly at the annual Central Zone Interschool Athletics Carnival finishing third. As with last year, we had some outstanding performers with Taylor Burns (15 Year Boys) and Emma Lawrence (16 Year Girls) being Age Champions in their respective age divisions. Our 15 Years Boy’s relay team (Taylor Burns, Joel Jensen, Dane Ahrenfeld and Liam Young) broke the District record.

MEET THE BRISBANE LIONS

Two very lucky students, Jayden and Ashleigh Johnson-Moody got to attend the Breakfast show at Hot 91 and Zinc 96.1 with Lions Players Daniel Merett and Matt Macquire. The students were provided with an invaluable opportunity to not only meet two of the Lions top players, but to also watch the live recordings of two of our local radio stations; the Lions were on the coast beginning their pre-season training.

VISITING NZ CRICKET TEAMS

Maroochydore State High School’s Cricket Academy has built up some great relationships with schools in New Zealand through the bi-annual Cricket tour. In January our touring team had played both Gisborne Boys High and Hastings Boys High, so it was an excellent experience to play the two touring New Zealand Teams on home soil during the Spring vacation.
**EISTEDDFOD SUCCESS**

The Maroochydore SHS choir and small ensemble really showed off their talents in third term. The choir placed second in the Choir Competition at the Sunshine Coast Eisteddfod held on 10 August, losing to Sunshine Beach by one point (92-91), beating Matthew Flinders, Sunshine Coast Grammar, Nambour Christian College, St Andrews and Siena College. Our small ensemble also placed second in the Eisteddfod, again only one point off, this time losing to Siena College. Congratulations to all of the students and the wonderful Music staff on these great performances.

**CREATIVE INDUSTRIES HITS**

**SPORTS STARS**

- Shae Wools-Cobb and Jack Marriott (Year 10) - Sunshine Coast Regional Golf representatives.
- 2011 Premiership Winners - Year 9 Girl’s Soccer, Year 9 Girl’s Softball, Year 9 Girl’s AFL, Year 8 Boy’s AFL, Junior Girl’s Rugby League and Division 2 Open Girl’s Basketball.
- Zarni Fenu (Year 10) - Queensland Under 15 Girls’ Football representative at the 2011 National Youth Championships (NYC) held in Coffs Harbour.
- Tori Surman (Year 10) - placed 4th in the South East Queensland School Rowing Championships. Tori later teamed up with her rowing partner from another local school to finish a very impressive 5th in the rowing doubles.
- Mackenzie Pearson (Year 8) - Sunshine Coast Regional Baseball representative and also selected in the Bradman Foundation Cricket Camp to be held in Bowral in January 2012.
- Nathan Gibson (Year 10) – Umpire at the under 14 AFL State Championships.
- James Bazley (Year 11) – selected to represent Queensland in the U17 National Cricket Championships.

**WINTER WARMERS CONCERT**

August 2nd marked a big night in the annual Creative Industries performance calendar with the annual Winter Warmers Concert. An outstanding evening showcased the wonderful music talents of our Music Department – jazz, rock, vocal (solo or ensemble), strings, big band; it was an evening that had something for everyone.
SUNSHINE COAST COUNCIL PASSAGE PROJECT

A number of our talented Year 9 Art students had the chance to engage with Sunshine Coast lifestyles in terms of history and heritage, flora and fauna, leisure, boating, industry and transport. Led by Sunshine Coast artist Saffron Drew, students worked with stencils and printmaking techniques to produce artworks that may contribute to the current Passage Project of the Sunshine Coast Council. The Passage Project is aimed at improving the streetscape along Maroochydore Road.

JUGGLING WORKSHOP

The Juggling Workshop was the final Arts Council event for the year at Maroochydore SHS. This professional juggling workshop started with the basic juggling pattern for three, four and five objects. At the end, students were able to juggle with a number of props including scarves, balls, juggling clubs, rings, a small unicycle and a roller board. Students were invited to participate and learned the basic steps they need to master to be able to juggle. Not just fun, the workshop promoted skills in co-ordination and balance. Students juggled by themselves and shared their skills with another juggler or a whole class!

WIZARD OF OZ & STICKS AND STONES

Our Year 9 Encore class amazed parents and students with two performances – The Wizard of Oz (Encore class style) and Sticks and Stones (an exploration of the inappropriateness and effects of bullying on students). These performances were a culmination of the specialist two-year Excellence in Arts program which has proved so successful since its introduction three years ago.
**YEAR 11 TOURISM EXCURSION TO DREAMWORLD**

On Tuesday 2nd August, Year 11 Tourism students travelled to Dreamworld as part of their studies looking at how theme parks operate within their local economies. Students attended an educational forum and gathered a range of information on Workplace Health and Safety, demographic data, social diversity of customers and how theme parks cater for a large and diverse range of clientele and, as well, the students had fun trying out all the rides and experiences Dreamworld offers. A great attitude and exemplary behaviour from the students meant a great day for all involved.

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**STUDENTS GO GREEN!**

Senior students from the Special Education Unit have built, planted and maintained five garden beds. They are developing a small business, producing fresh herbs for Home Economics. ‘Happy Herbs’ are really fresh and can be picked, cleaned and in the kitchen within minutes, adding special flavours to great cooking. Students have also planted several varieties of small vegetables, taking into account the amount of sunshine, aspect, drainage and watering needs. Young plants are brought on in the greenhouse and then planted out.

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**SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING CHALLENGE**

Students from the three Year 10 Advanced Science classes went to the Sunshine Coast University to compete in the Science and Engineering Challenge Day in July. There were seven schools that competed in a variety of team challenges. Some of the activities included building a war machine or catapult and building a bridge for heavier and heavier carts to go across.

Connor Pool and Jesse Smart competed in the Radar Dish competition and the Robotic Arm challenges, winning the Radar Dish challenge, though there were many other challenges in which Maroochydore SHS came second or third. At the Awards ceremony at the end of the day, Maroochydore was presented with the Spirit Award, as they were the ones who cheered on their team-mates the loudest (as well as having a lot of fun during the competition).

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**1:1 LAPTOP ROLL OUT**

Planning and preparation for the Year 9 1:1 Laptop Program, led by ICT Head of Department Mr Shane Hilder, was well advanced by the end of the year. Lockers were installed during the Christmas holidays and the wireless infrastructure to support the laptops was also enhanced during the school holidays. Over 50% of parents had committed to the program and their students received their laptops during the last week of school. Zoe Burns had the distinction of being the first student to receive a take home laptop under this National Secondary Schools Computer Fund program.
The Maroochydore State High School Parents’ and Citizens’ Association sponsors a range of scholarships for Year 7 students valued at around $750 each. Congratulations to the following students on being awarded the Year 8 2012 Scholarships:

ALL ROUNDER SCHOLARSHIPS
- Stella Maris School - Courtney Bradshaw
- Kuluin SS - Joshua Reid, Georgia Seefeldt
- Bli Bli SS - Jaiden Richards, Emma Hutton
- Maroochydore SS - Jayda Pashby, Emily Jones
- Pacific Paradise SS - Georgia-Mae Topp, Rose-Beth Orman
- Buderim Mt SS - Max Andrews, Paige Holmes
- Mooloolaba SS - Courtney Frame

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS
- Jazlyn Brown – Kuluin SS
- Rhys Williams - Bli Bli SS

SPORT SCHOLARSHIP
- Taylah Day - Pacific Paradise SS

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