



# PARENT NEWS *Term 1* **Week 5**

## INDUCTION OF STUDENT LEADERS



School Captains, Tiaan Gobius & Madeline Parise with Junior Captains - Rohan Hickey & Genavive Kidd



Student Council  
L-R Tony Webb  
(President), Chelsea  
Mayer (Secretary) &  
Ben Britt (Treasurer)



**MALANDA STATE HIGH SCHOOL – AN INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOL**  
**SAFETY - LEARNING - RESPECT**



Eacham Sports Captains



Special Guests at the Induction Ceremony



Tinaroo Sports Captains



Barrine Sports Captains



Year Level Captains

**If your student is absent please use one of the following options:** Phone the school office on 40967111 on the morning of the absence OR Email to [absentees@malandashs.eq.edu.au](mailto:absentees@malandashs.eq.edu.au)



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Our Parents and Citizens Association had its first meeting of the year last night. It was a very productive meeting discussing the success of last year and beginning to develop plans for the 2017 year. Our new PA system kindly donated to the school through the fund raising efforts of the P&C will arrive any day and will add value to all assemblies and special events we have throughout the year. The committee are keen to hear ideas for this year's goal from parents who care to share their thoughts. Our committee is also on the search for a new Treasurer for the AGM next month. If you are interested please contact Lizette (President) and discuss how we can support you in the position.



We had a special visit on my invitation by Mr Shane Knuth, Member of Parliament, for parade today. Whilst Mr Knuth was not invited to address the student body, he was delighted with the spirit and culture of the school and obviously impressed with our academic outcomes. His visit purpose was to get some perspective of our school and the workings within the curriculum. I intend using the support of our Federal Member to put a case forward for some developments in the pipeline to further enhance the facilities and curriculum breadth at our school. I will keep the parent body informed of this work in due course. If you see Mr Knuth be sure to put a strong word in for our school and highlight our results and need for support in certain areas.



Last week I convened a Music/Arts forum for students, staff and parents. This meeting was intended for people to have a strategic input into what our school offers in the way of music and the arts opportunities in the immediate and long term time frame. The meeting was well attended and some great suggestions put forward. These ideas are now on the agenda of the Student Council and students are encouraged to have a say regarding our plans for 2017 – 2019. I look forward to the feedback and getting some projects underway. The school choir and band are already moving and I encourage all students to have an interest in this work.

We have received some very good press in recent days regarding our school OP 1-5 results from 2016. Whilst this is not news as such to us, we do appreciate the acknowledgment from the media and public across the region. Our school should be proud of this data and other results of non-academic achievement our students aspire to at school each day. We must not rest on this result. We need to continue to focus on the teaching, learning and student support we use to get great results. Parent support is also critical and hopefully afforded to each and every Malanda child each day. Check in with your child tonight.

Kind Regards

Gary Toshach

Principal





## FROM THE P&C

### First P&C Meeting for 2017

Thank you to parents and carers who came along to our first meeting of the year. The more people involved in our P&C, the more exciting and successful it will be. Great results can be achieved for your children and our school, when we work together.

I dreamed I stood in a studio,  
And watched two sculptors there,  
The clay they used was a young child's mind  
And they fashioned it with care.

One was a teacher; the tools he used,  
Were books and music and art;  
One was a parent with a guiding hand,  
And a gentle loving heart.

Day after day the teacher toiled,  
With touch that was deft and sure,  
While the parent laboured by his side,  
And polished and smoothed it o'er.

And when at last their task was done,  
They were proud of what they had wrought,  
For the things they had moulded into the child,  
Could neither be sold nor bought.

And each agreed they would have failed,  
If they had worked alone,  
For behind the parent stood the school,  
And behind the teacher the home.

*Author unknown*



Malanda State High School P&C meets every third Tuesday  
of the month at 7.15pm in the Agriculture Classroom  
- use the top entrance to the school grounds.

<https://malandashs.eq.edu.au/Ourcommunity/PandC/Pages/PandC.aspx>

### Treasurer

We will be looking for a new treasurer at our AGM in March. Our outgoing treasurer, Lisa Nation has kindly offered to train and support the new treasurer – this is a wonderful opportunity for someone to learn new skills at the same time as helping the P&C.

(The P&C uses QuickBooks Online software.)

If you are interested in this volunteer position with the P&C or would like more information, please contact Sarah at [pandc@malandashs.eq.edu.au](mailto:pandc@malandashs.eq.edu.au)



## STUDENT ICT VOLUNTEERS

Last year some students volunteered to be trained as ICT/BYOD support. At the start of this year Tiaan Gobius, Ben Britt and Peter Hunt stepped up and helped out our IT Technician. The boys helped connect year 11s BYODs to the network and also provided support with connection and use. It is appreciated that there are students at the school that just help out when they see it is needed.




## LEADERSHIP

Our School Captains Tiaan and Maddi are pictured at their first official duty representing Malanda State High School at a gathering of primary school leaders from across the region at the Tinaroo Environmental Education Centre. Our Captains spoke about leadership roles and what they believe it takes to be a successful and inclusive leader.



## FROM THE OFFICE

- \* Unfortunately we still have some families who have not returned the Student Resource Participation Agreement Form. This form is a legal document and we are required to have a completed document for every students enrolled. If you have not signed and returned this form to school yet please do so as a matter of urgency.
- \* Thank you to those parents who have paid for the Student Resource Scheme already. Please remember the discount only applies if payment is made prior to February 28, 2017.

	<b>ATTENDANCE AWARDS</b>	
	<b>Week 5</b>	<b>Term 1 2017</b>
	<b>Year 11</b>	<b>95.7 %</b>



**STUDENTS, DO YOU KNOW WHAT BEHAVIOUR LEVEL YOU ARE ON?**

If you don't know ask your Home Group Teacher who will be most happy to check for you.



# ART CLUB



**SICK & TIRED OF BORING 'OL THURSDAY? ....well not anymore!**

Finally the much anticipated return of THURSDAY ARVO ART CLUB!  
Come along and immerse your creative selves in the ambient vibes of the Art room, with other creative types to work on your own ,or collaborative art projects of your making.

See Ms-Honeyman to secure your place (and get a note for your parents)  
**THURSDAY ARVO ART CLUB - Guaranteed to make Thursday great again!**

## LIONS YOUTH OF THE YEAR COMPETITION



The Lions Youth of the Year Competition is on this Saturday night 25 February hosted by both Millaa Millaa and Malanda Lions Clubs. We wish the following students the very best of luck and have great confidence they will represent our school with great pride. They have all been working very hard on their speeches with Mr Axford.

Ben Britt

Hannah Rose

Trentin Flounoy-Stoetzel

Mikayla Scanlan

Ryan Smith

Tiaan Gobius

Austin Watkin

Jardine Irwin

Ruben Arnold-Nott



## GOLD LEVEL BUSINESSES THAT SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

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## STUDENT ABSENCES

- SMS only to **0428649942** (This number is only for absences)
- Email to: [absentees@malandashs.eq.edu.au](mailto:absentees@malandashs.eq.edu.au)
- Phone the office on 40967111
- QParents (for parents who use this service)



## IMPORTANT DATES

7 March	Student Leadership Workshop
31 March	Inter House Cross Country
1 April	Easter Holidays commence
18 April	Term 2 commences
18 April	Immunisation Clinic 2 – Yr 7
18 April	P&C Meeting
22 August	Immunisation Clinic 3 – Yr 7

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## IMPORTANT LINKS

[School Website](#)

[School Facebook Page](#)

[Education Queensland](#)





## OUR PURPOSE:

Malanda State High School's purpose is: Within a supportive learning environment, to ensure all our students develop the literacy and numeracy skills in junior secondary that will enable them to successfully meet our Service Commitment within the senior secondary years.

## OUR SERVICE COMMITMENT:

Malanda State High School is committed to ensuring 100% of students achieve:

- An OP and enter University or;
- A clear VET pathway to employment or;
- Paid employment of 25+ hours / week or;
- Alternative pathways for some students with special needs.

