Welcome to Year 12 Graduation Week.

It has been a busy couple of weeks where we have showcased the talents and achievements of our amazing students, beginning with our Presentation Night on Wednesday November 4, followed by the Commemoration Service for Remembrance Day and our Beacon Charter Signing, held on Thursday 5 November. Our special guest for these events, Mr Daniel Keighran, provided an inspirational insight into his life and career pathways, with many positive comments received about his presentations. The events over the two days were well organised and the students presented themselves and the school in a very positive manner. Congratulations to all those involved in the events.

Last Wednesday, the Senior Hospitality students held their Restaurant Event, providing catering for their parents and staff. Once again, this event was fabulous with exceptional meals prepared by the students. Congratulations to the students and staff involved in preparing and presenting this evening. It was outstanding.

This week, the Year 9/10 Drama students present “Jest for the West” Theatre Restaurant on Monday and Tuesday nights. With weeks of preparation and rehearsals, the students are out to impress. The final Student Council event will be held on Wednesday night with a Transition Pool Party, held for the Year 6 to 12 students. I am extremely proud of our students and staff in organising such events and once again, it showcases the many talents within our School.

In 2016, we will be receiving $83 005 from the Investing for Success (I4S) program, which was previously known as Great Results Guarantee (GRG) funding. In 2015, we received $47 981 so this is a substantial increase. This new funding allows us greater scope on the use of the funding, with a focus on Literacy and Numeracy as well as Senior Attainment. The funding ceases at the end of 2017. We are currently reviewing how to address targeted areas utilising this funding. This information will be reported through the P&C and our newsletter.

At our November P&C meeting, held on Wednesday 11 November, the Student Resource Scheme was discussed. At this meeting, it was approved to increase the Resource Fees for both the Senior and Junior Schools. This increase in fees will allow for more student resources, such as Textbooks, to be purchased so that all students receive access to quality learning. Further information regarding the Student Resource Scheme is included in this newsletter. Please contact the office if you would like any additional information.

Finally, this week is the final week for our year 12 students. After a very long year, their time at Monto State High School is drawing to an end. We are very proud of our students and their achievements throughout the year. On behalf of the School community, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Year 12 cohort and to wish them well in their future endeavours.

Have a great week.
Kylie
Well, we are here year 12 students. Your final week. I look forward to spending this week with you and hearing your memories, feedback on your high schooling life. This week will also see QCS test results released so a nervous time for a few of our students. A reminder that OP scores, QCE’s, QCIA’s and Tertiary Entrance Statements will be available on the 18th December.

As the year 12 students are winding up, the year 10 and 11 students are finalising assessment this week and then no doubt looking forward to their camps that will happen in the last week of their school year. Year 10 students are off to Brisbane and Sunshine Coast and the year 11 students are off to Kinka Beach, Yeppoon. Year 11 students this week have been submitting their leadership applications and these will be finalised over the next few weeks. Year 12 verification meetings were held in October and the school received positive feedback on our students results, so well done to our senior subject teachers and of course our students.

Awards night was held two weeks ago and I am sure you will agree it is a night to showcase the amazing students we have here at Monto High. I particularly want to mention our Dux for 2015 Miss Amy. This year Amy will graduate from Monto High with 6 Very High Achievements (VHA’s) and with one of these she has achieved excellence with receiving the highest possible rung on a VHA, which is a VHA 10. Amy has also received a VHA 9, VHA 8, VHA 7 for her other subjects. A tremendous effort Amy!

The past few weeks I have been meeting with the year 10 students and their parents to discuss Senior Education and Training plans. I must take this opportunity to congratulate each and every one of the year 10 students I met with. I thoroughly enjoyed these conversations and look forward to seeing your goals, aspirations achieved.

Leadership camp is fast approaching for year 11 students and this is a jam packed three days of developing students confidence in their leadership abilities and providing an opportunity to bond as a cohort and plan for their final year at Monto High. Although a tiring three days, it is also a valuable experience and I encourage all year 11 students to attend. You won’t be disappointed!

Last Wednesday night, Year 12 Hospitality students held their final function which was a restaurant. A huge well done to these students as feedback from the patrons was very positive. Our students produced an evening to rival any restaurant. Great job guys!! I am so very proud of each of you.

Finally, Friday 20th November, year 12 Graduation. It is a night to see our students shine and this year will be no different. A big thank you to Mrs Binstead and Mrs Cochran for the organisation of this event this year.

Mrs Zumbansen
FOR SALE

Toyota Hiace Minibus (1992) Unregistered
$1000.00 negotiable
For More details Contact MSHS 41669555

RESOURCES SCHEME INCREASE FOR 2016

The Monto State High School P & C meeting was held in the school library on Wednesday 12th November. During this meeting the Student Resource Scheme was reviewed for 2016.

Currently in 2015 the Student Resource Scheme is $130 per year level. Parents that do not wish to participate must purchase their own child's textbooks and provide their own resources for the particular subjects they study. The list of these resources is provided in the year level stationary lists.

With the rising costs of stationery, textbooks and course supplies the P & C discussed ways to help provide the School with adequate, up to date teaching resources through the Student Resource Scheme. During the review, it was noted that the costs of senior elective subject resources are much higher than the junior core subject resources. After much discussion it was unanimously decided to increase the resource fees for 2016.

The cost of the student resource scheme for Year Levels 7 & 8 will be $150.00
The cost of the student resource scheme for Year Levels 9 – 12 will be $180.00

Parents have many options for these fees to be paid to the school.

- Paid in full at the beginning of the school year
- Quarterly payments to be made at the beginning of each term
- Controyal payments (forms are available from the school office)

A requirement of the scheme is for all fees to be paid in full by the end of the school year. If payments are overdue from the previous year students may not participate in the scheme until the account is paid. Non payment of overdue fees will also prevent students attending non-curricular activities such as sport, year level camps or senior graduation.

If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact the Monto State High School Administration Office. A detailed letter explaining the Student Resource Scheme and Student Resource Scheme participation agreement will be sent home with the year level stationary lists later in the year.

CAREERS NEWS

Check out Careers News on Monto State High School’s website. Careers News provides information on a range of topics related to careers, study pathways, competitions, universities, registered training organisations and more.

Examples of some of the information found in the November 2 issue:

Agrifood Careers & Rural Skills Australia
This website provides information to students, parents, career advisers & teachers about the agricultural and horticulture industries in Australia. Students interested in pursuing a career in these industries should visit this website.

Australian Defence Force: A Day in the Navy
Saturday 14th November, 9:30am – 2:30pm @ Queensland Maritime Museum, 412 Stanley St, Brisbane
Experience what a day in the Navy is like with guided tours of HMAS Diamantina, cadet drills, helicopter simulation, and other interactive displays. Also speak to Navy personnel about starting a career in the Australian Navy.
No RSVP necessary, this is a free event.
https://www.facebook.com/events/967259226665267/

Australian Institute of Geoscientists
The Australian Institute of Geoscientists offers free student memberships to students studying geosciences at an Australian university. They also offer bursaries and scholarships to students. There is also plenty of general information about entering the fields of geology and earth sciences on the website.

JMC Academy: How to Get a Job in Game Sound Production

Jobs of the Future: Examining Workforce Trends

Khan Academy
This website features an extensive video library, practice exercises, and assessments. It covers K-12 maths, science, finance, history and more. Students can learn and study from the comfort of their own home.
http://www.khanacademy.org/

Jane Carroll
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Visiting Monto SHS on Mondays and alternate Tuesdays
Plaque Ceremony
Congratulations to Monto S1S students on your successful completion of your SPOT HEALTH CHECK.

Measuring up: for fitness, flexibility, blood sugar levels, with RN Williams, Dental hygiene with Robyn from Dental Van, waist, height, weight, head circumference using your new tape measures.

Checking your blood pressures thank you to teachers for assisting, oxygen saturations, and heart rates.

Learning about: depression, anxiety, where to go for help, dangers of alcohol, sun safety, sugar in drinks, lung health.

Visiting presenters: Joanne Derrick - Complementary Health Care, Rebecca Glasgow - Fitness Trainer.

I hope you enjoy measuring your family.

Thank you to Monto Hospital for assisting with funding to make this possible.

Yours in health
Mrs Leanne Davis School Based Youth Health Nurse.

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**SPOT HEALTH CHECK**

13 HEALTH (13 43 35 84)
MONTO Medical Practice 07 4156 1212
Kids Helpline - 1800 55 1800
Lifeline 13 11 14

Measuring your waist circumference is a simple check to tell how much body fat you have and where it is placed around your body.

No matter what your height or build, an increased waistline is a sign that you could be at greater risk of developing a serious ongoing health problem such as type 2 diabetes, heart disease, stroke, high blood pressure and some cancers.

Measuring your waistline is a simple check.

For most people, a waist measurement higher than the following is associated with an increased risk of chronic disease.

- **Increased risk:**
  - Men: more than 94 centimetres
  - Women: more than 80 centimetres

- **Greatly increased risk:**
  - Men: more than 102 centimetres
  - Women: more than 88 centimetres

Consider talking to your doctor if your waist circumference exceeds these measures.

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How to contact for more information:

- [https://www.youthbeyondblue.com](https://www.youthbeyondblue.com)