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Message from the Leadership Team

The Leadership Team welcomes back all students and staff for this term and we hope you have all had an enjoyable break. Special news and congratulations to Samantha Davoren on her engagement and welcome back to Erin Landles who returns from 6 months maternity leave.

Term 2 always represents a time for parent-teacher Interviews and this term is no different. Our apologies for adjusting this scheduled date but we felt that delay of a week will allow staff to update the information for our new Soaring to Success mentor program. Part of the mentor's role is to work with the student and set goals around Literacy and Numeracy achievement. Parents are encouraged to also book an appointment with their child's mentor teacher during Parent/Teacher interview night. Booking sheets have recently been emailed and a hard copy is also with each student for completion.

NAPLAN testing for Year 9 students commences Tuesday 13 May for 3 part days. Information for these tests will be sent home next week. As with recent years, a light breakfast will be available to those in need of extra test nourishment.

Over the long weekend, some staff and Hospitality students supplied breakfast at the Rotary Conference. It was with great pride that the school received the following testimony from a very happy customer. Well done Hospitality team.

Lesley, please convey to your Hospitality staff and students our congratulations on the most amazing demonstration of what teachers and students can do to serve their local and visiting community. Saturday breakfast was nothing if not outstanding plus, plus! Indeed, their performance was a grand demonstration of Rotary's motto, "Service Above Self". To all concerned, our congratulations and every best wish for success in the future. Know that I've never witnessed such application and dedication in any school endeavour by a group of staff and students in my 44 + years of involvement in secondary education in either Victoria or Queensland. I think the colloquial term is "gob-smacked"! Congratulations!

School pride swelled further with the fine turnout of students who marched at the recent town ANZAC parade in both Longreach and Ilfracombe. The respect students demonstrated by marching on this special day, shows how thankful we are for the sacrifices made by our ANZACs past and present.



The Leadership Team

Date Claimers

Cross Country - Thursday 8 May
Parent Teacher interviews - Monday 12 May
NAPLAN - Tuesday 13 – Thursday 15 May
Show Holiday - Friday 16 May