

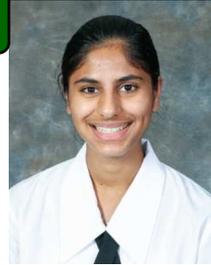
Newsletter



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Top honour for past student

Class of 2016 graduate and college dux Harmeet Kaur has recently been awarded a highly prestigious TJ Ryan Merit Certificate. This acknowledges Harmeet as one of the top 35 students of the 51,607 students who completed year 12 in Queensland in 2016. Harmeet studied English, Maths B, Maths C, Chemistry, Physics and Biology at ISC as well as playing violin and being elected Strings Captain. She achieved an OP 1 and is currently studying dentistry at the University of Queensland. We congratulate Harmeet on this most outstanding accomplishment and well-deserved accolade. Harmeet joins class of 2014 graduate and college dux Tamasyan Carman who was awarded a 2015 TJ Ryan Merit Certificate.



Everyone's reading at the DLC



Last Wednesday at 11am (during their lunch break) many students at the Diverse Learning Centre participated in the National Simultaneous Story Time project. This involves students in classrooms all over Australia reading or listening to a reading of the book entitled "The Cow Tripped Over the Moon", at the same time, to highlight the very great importance of reading.

Our definition of reading includes – reading yourself, reading to, reading with, and listening to reading. It is also about book awareness. Some students listened to a reading by 'Eddie Perfect' from the project website; they enjoyed this so much we watched and listened at least 10 times! Some students listened in small groups to the story being read and others listened to the story individually. DLC students have also commenced the Premier's Reading Challenge which focuses students on reading from May to August.



ISC students meet world's leading artificial heart engineer



Dr Daniel Timms called in again to ISC last week to update students on his progress in the creation of a new artificial heart technology he conceptualised 15 years ago. Brother of Mr Darrin Timms, former ISC Head of Science, Dr Timms was at ISC two years ago, when development had progressed to animal trials using his constant-flow device. This resulted in successful heart replacement, but without any pulse in the animal. Dr Timms has since further developed that aspect of the device. He has teamed with scientists in Germany, Japan, Australia and the USA to create the device he first envisioned when his own father was ill with heart disease. Dr Timms is working towards human trials in 2019. His is an inspirational story of creativity, collaboration, problem-solving and determination. Dr Timms encouraged our students to find

a vocation in life for which they have a true and enduring passion, and to pursue their passion despite the knockbacks and hurdles they are bound to encounter. We very much look forward to Dr Timms visiting us again in the future to keep us informed of progress in his world-leading work in this field of medical research. If you'd like to learn more about Dr Timms, see: <https://www.australiaunlimited.com/technology/danieltimms> Our students were certainly inspired and we are very grateful to Dr Timms and Mr Timms for visiting.

Upcoming events

Wednesday 31 May Yr 11 & 12 Art excursion to Cairns galleries
Friday 2 June Young Performers Choir Day at ISC (day time)
Young Performers Band Comp at ISC (evening)
Monday 5 June DLC Environment Day celebrations
Year 10 meningococcal vaccinations
Friday 9 June Peppertree hosting Masonic Lodge dinner
School disco: 6:30pm to 9pm
Monday 12 June Yr 7 2018 parent information meeting
5:30pm to 6:30 pm at ISC library
P&C Meeting 7pm
Wednesday 14 June Yr 12 QCS workshop
Monday 19 June to Friday 23 June Year 12 exam block

Monday 19 June English HOTSHOTS
Tuesday 20 June Maths & science HOTSHOTS
Questacon for all year 7—10 students
Concert band at Cairns Eisteddfod (TAS)
Wednesday 21 June Arts & history HOTSHOTS
Thursday 22 June Physical education HOTSHOTS
Friday 23 June Year 6 students visit ISC for Orientation 2
DLC report cards home with students
Yr 7, 8 and 9 reports posted home
Final day of term 2.

School resumes for all students Monday 10 July.

Year 10 geography excursion

The year 10 geography class recently visited Paronella Park and the Mamu Tropical Walkway, as part of their programme of studies into Interpretive and Sustainable Tourism. Both venues provided qualified guides who not only answered the students' questions but delivered fascinating anecdotes and pieces of information that enhanced the experiences even for locals. Some of the participants even expressed the wish that they might become interpretive guides in the future. The results of the field excursion will be presented in the form of a report, and the memories of a wonderful day should remain for a long time.

Fitness training session

Last week 13 year 11 & 12 students from Mr Eteru's Cert 3 Fitness class travelled to Cairns to attend a F45 Training Session. F45 is a fitness centre that has taken off in Cairns with three franchises. The purpose of this activity was to give our Cert 3 students an industry experience of what it takes to be a qualified trainer or franchise owner. They were trained by a young trainer who had just completed her Cert 3 in Fitness. The fitness session was intense, fun, high energy and challenging. After the session, students had a Q & A with the owner-operator of the North and South franchises where they were able to be open, and freely ask questions about the business side of F45. Students came away from the whole experience with a broader understanding of the opportunities available to them with a Certificate 3 in Fitness.



New learning experiences for year 8s at Daradgee

Last week, year 8 students were allowed to leave their books in their bags while they spent a day learning new skills and building on personal strengths at Daradgee Environmental Education Centre. Students enjoyed working alongside their peers and maths teachers in a range of challenging team activities.

The crate tower challenge saw students don a harness and clip in to climb an ever-growing tower of crates that was being built by their team mates. Students enjoyed stepping out of their comfort zones in this activity and it was great to see participants support and encourage each other. We are extremely grateful to Ms Harrison and her wonderful senior students who volunteered as belays for this activity.

The blindfolded obstacle course required teams to direct each of their members across a complex field of obstacles. This activity put students' patience and communication skills to the test but, ultimately, all teams were successful in achieving the objective.



Art workshop

Year 11 and 12 Visual Art students immersed themselves in new art materials recently under the guidance of practising artist, John Eaton. Students spent a very positive morning where they were able to expand their knowledge of how and why materials have certain effects in their artwork. Mr Eaton was impressed with the high level of technical skill amongst our senior students as well as their ability to experiment with the new materials.

Immunisation for year 10 students

In response to increased cases of meningitis Australia wide, Queensland Health is offering free meningococcal ACWY vaccination to Year 10 students. **This will take place at ISC on Monday June 5 for those students who have returned a consent card.** This vaccination will be available at GP surgeries in QLD from June – free of charge for the vaccine - for young people aged 15 – 19 years. Parents/carers are encouraged to ensure their students have breakfast on the morning of the vaccination. If you would like to discuss any aspect of this program please contact the School Nurse – Jenny Hall (Monday and Wednesdays) on 4078 0222 or our local School Immunisation Program Coordinator – Jane Nolan (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday) on 4068 9722.

Tutoring update

Sundays 10am-2pm	Year 11 Chemistry with Ms Watt
Tuesdays 3pm-4pm	Year 7 English (library)
Wednesdays 3pm-4pm	Years 7—12 Maths (X block)
Thursdays 3pm—4pm	Year 8 & 9 English (BF07)
	Year 11 Health
	Year 11 & 12 English (BF08)

other sessions by arrangement with your teacher

Innisfail State College acknowledges the Mamu People, Traditional Custodians of the country in which this College is located, and pays respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.

Innisfail State College Presents:

Movie Mayhem

Dress up as any movie character to this disco

TIME: 6:30PM - 9:00PM
B BLOCK AUDITORIUM
DATE: 9TH OF JUNE, 2017
ENTRY: \$3

SNACK AND DRINKS FOR SALE