From the College Principal's Desk

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

Earnshaw State College – Litter is not an option

1. Do we have a litter problem in our school?
2. Do we need an effective program that our students can help implement and gain valuable leadership skills?
3. Do we need some motivation and ideas on how to implement an anti-litter program?
4. Do we want our school to become more sustainable?

These were the questions I asked myself as I walked around Earnshaw State College this week. If I could answer YES to any of these questions, then I have to do something about litter at Earnshaw.

Unfortunately I can answer yes and I cannot accept the state of litter at Earnshaw. This week I introduced a 3 stage program that I hope will keep our school clean.

Many schools experience difficulties managing litter and recognise the importance of a clean and healthy environment. Educating students about...
the effects of litter is a key step towards litter reduction in the community as a whole.

The 3 stages are as follows:

1. We have started the program and I am excited to report that we are beginning to see a difference.
2. Admin and staff are working together with students to keep our school clean. I need to say thank you to our primary students who are leading the way and are exempt from the clean-up strategy. I do also want to say thank you to the many secondary students who are also leading the way.
3. If I walk over a piece of paper and don’t pick it up I am also part of the problem. So I invite everyone who comes onto the grounds of Earnshaw State College to be part of the solution not the problem.

Earnshaw – Litter is not an option

“If you can read you can do anything”

Together We Achieve.

Regards

Dave Bosworth
College Principal

Senior Scene

Parent and Community Engagement Series (PACES)

During 2014, Earnshaw State College will be offering a series of information sessions for parents of the College and in our community. Session topics include:

- Understanding your Teenager (Guidance Officer and Principal Education Officer – Junior Secondary, Term 2)
• Thinking Skills in the home (Eric Frangenheim, Term 3)
• Healthy Relationships (School Based Nurse, Term 4)
• Cyber Safety (TBA, Term 4)

We invite parents of children 10-17 years old to attend the first session “Understanding your Teenager” on 2 June 2014 commencing at 5.30 pm in the McKitrick Centre (near the Administration entry off Earnshaw Road).

Please RSVP by 28 May to events@earnshawsc.eq.edu.au or phone 3621 7333 for further information.

Regards

Sally Dexter
Deputy Principal

Head of Department - Teaching and Learning

Earnshaw State College Chaplaincy Program

Chaplaincy Programs in schools across Australia are partly funded by the Australian Government. At Earnshaw State College, we receive funding for almost 2 days of chaplaincy service.

We currently enjoy the services of Gideon Blazey each Monday and Friday to work with our students across P-12.
Gideon runs some incredible support programs within the college, as well as working with students and families in areas such as stress, relationships, peer pressure and friendships.

However, two days per week does not meet the needs of our students and community. Our goal is to expand our chaplaincy program, with a female chaplain on at least two other days each week.

The college, alongside the Local Chaplaincy Committee, are working with community groups and businesses to generate sponsorships for the program.

We are also looking to our local community to support the wonderful work of chaplains across our college.

This week sees the launch of TARGET 100.

What is the target? 100 families/community members committing to chaplaincy sponsorship

How much is sponsorship? As little as $10 per month (made easy through direct debit)

How do I sponsor the Earnshaw Chaplaincy Program?

There are three options:

1. Collect a brochure from either college office. Complete the form and post it in (details in the brochure)
3. By phone: 1300 478 753

Keep an eye out for the large targets in our offices to see how we are progressing.

Regards

Kath McCann
Head of Department - Teaching and Learning

Junior Secondary News
Altitude Day

On Tuesday 27 May 15 year 9 students attended “Altitude Day” at the Brisbane Convention Centre. Here they gathered with another 435 year 9 students from other schools around Brisbane to consider the theme of the day, “How high can your potential take you?” Students were given six keys to help them reach their potential. They were discover your passion, challenge yourself, recruit mentors, make a plan and take action, have a champion mindset and never give up. Earnshaw students engaged in games and activities where they interacted with students from many other schools.

Three guest speakers also spoke on the importance of people maximising their potential. They included Jordyn Archer 2014 QLD Young Australian of the Year, Rowie McEvoy founder of one of the most successful independent training colleges in the world and Daniel Flynn co-founder and Managing Director of “Thankyou”.

Earnshaw students had a great day and represented the college in a very positive manner.

Regards

Jonathan Chapman
Junior Secondary Coordinator

Homestay Families Required

Earnshaw State College is once again hosting Showa High School (Japan) through Education Queensland’s International Study Tour Programs in July this year. Over the last 2 years, Showa High School visits have resulted in many friendships being formed and a sharing of cultures. We are currently compiling a database of families who would be open to accommodating visiting students during their 10 night visit from Sunday 20 July to
Wednesday 30 July. Homestay families are very important to the success of such study visits as it allows visiting students the best opportunity to practice their English conversation skills in everyday life, while ensuring safe accommodation and a caring home environment.

Responsibilities for host families include:

• Providing three meals a day as well as snacks (or suitable amount of money)

• Providing transfers to/from school (this can include public transport if travelling with another host student)

• Providing a bed, preferably in a separate sleeping area or sharing a room with another child of the same gender

Homestay families do receive payment for hosting overseas students. The process for becoming a homestay family does involve several steps as listed below. If you are interested in becoming a homestay family, please ring the office on 36217333 to receive the required electronic application.

Host family process:

1. Register your interest by ringing the office on 36217333 and providing an email address. The application forms will be emailed.

2. Complete forms ‘A’ and ‘B’ electronically as well as blue card application (online) and return to Earnshaw State College Main Office

3. Home Inspections completed by Accredited Officers (Sally Dexter, Richard Tweney and/or Mari Iiuma)

4. Pre-arrival information evening

Being a host family also provides your family with a wonderful opportunity to forge new friendships and learn about the culture of another country.

Sally Dexter and Mari Iiuma
Deputy Principal  Lote Teacher

Guidance Officer News

My child has no interest in careers – what next?

A few lucky people know from an early age what they want to spend their life doing. The rest of us fit somewhere in between having some ideas and no idea.

It is not unusual for young people to be unclear about their direction in life and it is often not until their early twenties that they gain a good sense of who they are.
Our system, however, asks much younger people to make decisions based on knowing who they are and what they want to achieve in life – think subject selection, elective choices, vocational study opportunities. There is a wealth of information about possible choices, which can leave people feeling overwhelmed, unable to decide or perhaps even uninterested in the whole ‘careers thing’.

Finding out who you are and what you want to do is a process that depends on many factors. Below are ten strategies that may assist you and your child.

1. Stay calm and open-minded

Remember, it's your child's life and your child's choices to make, not yours. Many parents believe that they must insist on certain directions for their child. There is a difference between guidance – where you explore and talk respectfully – and bossiness – where what you want is paramount. Children appreciate guidance. They usually do not appreciate control.

2. Be a positive influence

You do, however, have valuable experience and insights to assist your child in their career decisions. Talk about your career – tell your child how you arrived where you are today. Perhaps as you talk you could draw your 'path', and highlight events and experiences that influenced how your goals were realised, or not. The important messages here are your hopes and dreams, how you managed change, what external factors affected your decisions and how comfortable you felt at various stages, as well as how you feel now. Share any plans and goals you might have and how you see your future panning out. This underscores the idea that career decisions are made often during a lifetime.

3. Encourage your child to talk to other adults about their careers

Hearing about careers from young as well as mature adults will build a positive sense of self in relation to your child's place in society at different life stages. This is an important idea for them to grasp. Perhaps they could talk to their grandparents, aunts, uncles, their friends' parents or other family, friends or people they know.

4. Watch movies and television together

Most characters in movies and television dramas have, will have, or did have some kind of work. Discuss the characters, what they do, how satisfying you think their lives are and how work contributes to their happiness. You could also talk about book characters or people in other areas of the media in the same way.
5. Talk about the people you know or those you meet in your day-to-day activities

Ask questions like, 'Do you think Sally likes being a nurse?' or 'Do you think the dentist is good at her job?' This will lead to discussions about the benefits or otherwise of doing certain jobs, as well as more general questions about why people work.

6. Do things together

Baking a cake, planting a vegie garden, making a website, playing a video game, programming a phone – whatever the activity, do it together and use it as an opportunity to compliment your child on their skills. Keep it simple: 'You are very organised when you cook I see: turning on the oven, preparing the tin, assembling all the ingredients before you start'. Wait for a response. In time, you can begin to underscore these skills and link them to the workforce: for example, 'Organised people are few and far between at my work;' or 'Plumbers need to be organised, otherwise they miss out on making money because they're too slow and people don't refer them on'. These conversations highlight the importance of recognising one's own skills and how such skills are valued in the workplace.

7. Ask your child what would they choose if they could be or do anything in the whole world

Your job here is to listen and remember. Maybe later you can use the responses when a career-related discussion arises or a decision needs to be made. 'Would you consider drama as an elective? You said once you wanted to be a famous actor.' Your child may be encouraged by such a statement and open up about the benefits of drama. On the other hand, your child may look at you disdainfully and offer a correction. 'That was when I was a kid. I don't have that dream anymore.' In any event, there is now an invitation to continue talking about what dreams and aspirations are now current. People are generally happier and more satisfied if they can turn their dreams into reality. You can help your child by showing how that works in practice.

8. Make it easy for your child to participate in work experience programmes

This may include formal work experience or other school-organised fieldwork that has a focus on the workforce. Knowing what does not appeal is just as important as knowing what does. Wide experience can open eyes and change views. The How to arrange work experience section has more information.
9. **Encourage your child to participate in activities at school or in the community**

Your child could help out at a sports club, join their school fete committee or get involved in the school production. They could even do ‘special’ jobs around the house such as painting or serious spring cleaning. Such activities count as work and develop work skills, which are invaluable to learn and practice. It demonstrates to your child that work can be routine, fun and dull on occasions, preparing them for thinking about and making career decisions.

10. **If your child is ready, encourage them to seek a part-time job**

Help them to write their resume, be there when they deliver resumes in person, and support your child if they don’t get the job. When they do there are forms to fill out, tax file numbers to obtain, bank accounts to set up and superannuation choices to make. Knowing how to do these things is invaluable and can change a person’s view of themselves. Once at work there will be the highs and lows, the shift work, the conflict, the customer issues to deal with. Ask them about their day, listen to them and offer support if they are having any issues. Again, these experiences can and do influence career decisions.


Regards

*Julie Bagley*

Guidance Officer (P-12)
Principal

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**P & C News**

The Earnshaw Eatery (Tuckshop) is offering a special Meal Deal to coincide with Queensland Day.

The Meal Deal will be served at first break on Thursday 5th June. Each Meal Deal consists of a Queenslander Burger and a 100% juice popper. The Meal Deal costs $5.

Please return orders with money in a sealed envelope to the Tuckshop by Tuesday 3rd June.

If you haven’t already received an order form, please click on the link [Old_Burger_Meal_Deal.pdf](http://www.myfuture.edu.au/assist%20your%20child/exploring%20interests%20skills%20and%20occupations/my%20child%20has%20no%20interest%20in%20careers%20-%20what%20to%20do%20next.aspx)

The P&C thanks you for your support.

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**College Musical**
Ma Baker's Tonic

Friday 30th and Saturday 31st May 2014
Performing Arts Centre
Earnshaw State College
6:45pm for a 7:00pm performance
Food and entertainment from 5:45pm

$15 Adults
$10 Concession (child, student, cardholder)
$45 Family (2 adults, 2 concession)

Pay for tickets at main office
Take receipt to library
8:00am – 9:00am or
11:00am—12:00pm
to choose seats
and collect tickets.

Tuckshop News

Queenslander Burger Meal Deal
Queensland Day

Meal Deal

Thursday June 5th

1st Break

Burger & Drink $5

Orders due to the Tuckshop by Tuesday 3rd June.

Parent and Community Engagement Series
Bookshop

BOOKSHOP  Opening hours  8.30 - 9.30 every Tuesday Wednesday Thursday

PRICE CHANGE   Dictionary (Yrs 4 -6 )   now $12.00

Thank you to those of you who brought in clothing for second hand sales. The following is still needed - Junior Boys Formal Shirts, Skirts and also Ties (Middle and Senior)

Regards

Nancy Thompson

Volunteer Convenor Principal

Sporting News

Interschool Sport

Just a reminder that students need to be sun-safe and should take with them a hat, sunscreen, water bottle and lunch.

Interschool Sport Results for Friday 23rd May
**Rugby League**

**Junior A**

Defeated Taigum 3-0

Defeated Norris Road 6-2

**Junior B**

Defeated Taigum 16-0

Defeated Norris Road 9-3

MVP Junior A – Amos Forbes

MVP Junior B – Jayden Jackson

**Seniors**

Defeated Norris Rd 28-4

Defeated by Bald Hills2 16-12

MVP – Brocco Uhrle

**Soccer**

**Seniors**

defeated Brighton 2-1 MVP Tom Darben

defeated by Boondall 2-0 MVP Rui Alves

**Junior**

defeated Boondall 2-0 MVP Logan Bradford

defeated Brighton 3-1 MVP Zaffa Alam

**Netball**

**Nipper A**

Defeated Aspley East 2 3-1

Defeated Norris Rd 2 5-1

MVP Izzie Green
**Nipper B**

Defeated Aspley East 2  8-1  
Defeated Norris Rd 2   4-0

**Junior A**

Defeated by Boondall 10-1  
Defeated by Norris Rd 4-2

**Senior A**

Defeated by Boondall 5-4  
Defeated by Norris Rd 8-1

MVP Zabiah Power

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**Twitter**

https://twitter.com/earnshawsc

Earnshaw College  
@earnshawsc  
Banyo, Queensland - earnshawsc.eq.edu.au
Closing the Gap Aboriginal Committee

Meetings will be held in the Staff Common Room at 8:30am on the following dates:

- 19 June
- 17 July
- 21 August
- 18 September
- 16 October
- 20 November

Earnshaw Edge 2014

The Earnshaw Edge is usually published on the first and third Thursdays of each month. However, these times will vary, according to how they fit into the school term. Please check the schedule below, which outlines the intended Earnshaw Edge dates for the remainder of the year.

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Community Notices

![Green Heart Fair Poster]

**Green Heart Fair**
Sustainability Displays, Entertainment, Activities, Markets, Gourmet Food, Masterclasses & Workshops.

### FREE
- Native plants from 9.30am
- Free pavement planters
- Bike repair, green building, food, health, sustainability workshops

### Win fantastic prizes
Follow the signs on Penkivil for details.

### Come Join in and Meet
- Captain Romulo
- Annette McFarlane
- Bill McDonald and Jane Garrett

**Major Sponsors**
- Cycle Brisbane
- Westpac
- Westpac
- Peppers

Do you know the flags of these countries?

**EXPERIENCE YOUR WORLD**
Live and study in one of them

**Southern Cross Cultural Exchange**
**INFORMATION SESSION**
Tuesday 3 June 2014 7pm

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(Parking station below in Austin St)

www.scce.com.au   1800 500 501   scceaust@scce.com.au
Ma Baker’s Tonic

Friday 30th May 2014
Saturday 31st May 2014

We encourage all audience members to arrive early and enjoy the pre-performance food and entertainment from 5:45pm

Catering:
* Green Bean Buggy Coffee Van
* Shep’s Pies and Hot Snacks
* Poffertjes by Geebung Rotary

All caterers will also be available during the performance interval

Entertainment:
* Vintage Car Display
* River City Ramblers Barbershop Quartet
* Photos with Cast Members
Brisbane City Council Libraries Gold Star Reading Club

The Gold Star Reading Club will take off in Council libraries across the city on Saturday 7 June 2014.

There are five great reasons for children to get involved in the 2014 Gold Star Reading Club.

1. Membership to the Gold Star Reading Club is FREE!
2. The Gold Star Reading Club can help children improve their reading and literacy skills.
3. Children will be rewarded for reading with exciting monthly incentives – a coloured pencil kit, bag tag and library bag.
4. The opportunity for all participants to enter the monthly draw to win a $25 book voucher.
5. It’s FUN! Children will have fun sharing their reading experiences with family and friends.

This is a great opportunity for parents to share in their children’s reading achievements.

To register your child for the Gold Star Reading Club, simply visit www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/libraries or your local library to complete a registration form.

For more information about the Gold Star Reading Club, visit your local library or call Council on 3403 8888.

ACU invites students in Years 8-12 to develop your skills across all subjects

Term 2 Holiday Workshops:
1. Making Maths Work: Yr 9-10 and Yr 11-12, Thursday 10th July

2. QCS Preparation: Yr 11-12, Friday 11th July

**Term 3 Holiday Workshops:**

1. Writers Workshop (English): Yr10-12, Wednesday 1st October

2. Oral Presentation Skills: Yr 8-12, Thursday 2nd October
   - All workshops 10am-2pm
   - Lunch and materials provided
   - Register online [http://www.acu.edu.au/617043](http://www.acu.edu.au/617043) or contact Rose.Wood@acu.edu.au

**QTAC Information Session at ACU for Parents and Students:** Tuesday 29th July, 4.00-6.00pm

Maureen.davis@acu.edu.au
Yes it’s on Again!

St Oswalds
Annual Fete
June 7th

Loads of entertainment for all ages

Stalls Include
- Cakes and Biscuits
- Kids activities
- Sweets
- Bric a Brac
- Jams and Pickles
- Books
- Art & Craft
- Huge Multi Draw Raffle
- Burgers and other Tummy Tempters
- And many more......

St Oswalds
Froude Street Banyo

From 8am Saturday 7th June