### **The College Knowledge** CLAREMONT COLLEGE E-NEWS - ISSUE 2 - APRIL 2014



Claudine Rukundo Claremont College Dux 2013

A s first term at Claremont College draws to a close, it is pleasing to note the good routines that have been established by our new students and the maturity and leadership demonstrated by our final year students.

Last week we had our first Parent-Teacher night for the year. It was wonderful for it to be so well attended. We enjoyed meeting the parents of our new students and welcoming back parents of returning students. If you weren't able to make it last week, we look forward to meeting you during the year.

On the 26th of March we celebrated our annual Prize Night. The night showcased the work of the college and was a tremendous success. The night recognises the achievements of our highest performing students from all subjects and programs during 2013.

A highlight of the evening was the presentation of the award for Dux by the secretary of the Department of Education, Colin Pettit, to the father of Claudine Rakundo. I had the pleasure of presenting the Principal's Award for Contribution to Claremont College to Sean Williams. Congratulations to all students from 2013 that received certificates, prizes and scholarships. I would like to particularly acknowledge the significant support provided by our Prize Night sponsors.

Our teachers are currently busy writing preliminary subject reports. These reports will give students a formal indication of their progress to date. Importantly, they will also help students know what they are doing that's effective and how they can further improve.

Attendance in every class, every day is the expected standard at Claremont College. It is encouraging to see students meet this standard. Any student whose attendance is of concern will receive a letter from the college aimed at supporting their participation.

Recently we have experienced technical issues with our telephones. We have begun a system upgrade to solve this problem. We apologise for the inconvenience that this has caused.

In addition to this newsletter you can receive regular updates on events and activities through our Facebook page (facebook.com/claremontcollegetas).

Thank you to the many families that have returned the validation, medical and permission forms. If you haven't done this yet, would you please return the form in the supplied envelope. If you require a new copy of the form, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

We wish all our students a safe and revitalising break and look forward to reporting on their success in Term Two.

Kind regards, Adam Potito, Acting Principal





## Claremont College 2014 Prize Night celebrating student achievement



# Google

#### The Google Experience comes to Claremont College

n November 2013, Google invited teachers from all over Australia to come together at the first ever Digital Technologies Curriculum Summit to discuss the best ways to bring computer science and computational thinking into Australian classrooms.

From this group, Google recognised five STEM (science, technology, engineering, mathematics) and computer science educators who are making an outstanding contribution to teaching in Australia, rewarding them and their schools with a Google Experience Day.

It is most fortunate for our College

that our leading Robotics teacher, Rob Torok, was one of those five educators.

Google will be bringing software engineers to talk to students and teachers about life as a Google engineer and about how studying computer science and STEM subjects will impact future careers.

Students from our feeder high schools will be advised early in Term Two as to how they too can be involved in the Google Experience.

#### Congratulations again to Rob Torok!

Google will visit Claremont College on Mon 19 May.

Student panels, workshops.

Teacher/Parent/ Industry event.

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ormer Claremont College students, Lah Lah and Lay Win, who joined our College community as humaniarian refugees recently became Australian citizens along with their families at a ceremony at the Glenorchy City Council. The College wish them and their families a prosperous and happy future.

#### APRA (Australian Performing Recording Association) Mentoring Program For Claremont College

With much excitement, the Claremont College music program has been selected as 1 of 50 schools in Australia to receive a two day mentoring program with a top Australian song writer and producer courtesy of the Australian Performing Recording Association (APRA).

16 lucky music students will get to learn from the best over a two day workshop on June 18 and 19. And best of all is that there will be no cost to students courtesy of the wonderful generosity of APRA.

#### Former Students Become Australian Citizens

#### **Claremont College 2013 Subject Prize Recipients**

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Stefano Lubiana Prize for Theatre Performance 3 Decorama Prize for Music 3 Decorama Prize for Electronics 3 Stoneman's Garden Centre Prize for Student Directed Inquiry 3 IRIS Prize for Information Systems and Digital Technologies 3 Craig Farrell Prize for Physics 3 Craig Farrell Prize for Mathematics Methods 3 Eric Hutchinson Prize for Computer Science 3 Hobart Bookshop Prize for English Studies 3 Stefano Lubiana Prize for Biology 3 Andrew Wilkie Prize for Chemistry 3 Andrew Wilkie Prize for Business Studies 3 Brighton Council Prize for Health Studies 3 Carol Brown Prize for Mathematics Specialised 3 Carol Brown Prize for Physical Sciences 3 Catryna Bilyk Prize for English as a Second Language 3 Alcorso Foundation Humanitarian Entrant Education Award Scott Bacon Prize for Sport Science 3 Scott Bacon Prize for Ancient Civilisations 3 Rotary Club of Brighton Prize for Sociology 3 Glenorchy City Council Prize for Audio Design 3 Glenorchy City Council Prize for Computer Graphics and Design 3 HIA Prize for Best Results in VET Construction Cassy O'Connor Prize for UTAS Music 3 Just Frames Prize for Art Studio Practice 3 Matthew Groom Prize for Japanese 3 Matthew Groom Prize for English Communications 3 Lisa Singh Prize for English Writing 3 IRIS Prize for Modern World History 3 IRIS Prize for VET Certificate III Information, Digital Media and Technology **IRIS Prize for Psychology 3** Elise Archer Prize for Legal Studies 3 Claremont College Prize for VET Certificate II Australian Defence Forces The Charles Palmer Memorial Trophy VET ADF Student Achievement Prize Stayley & Son Prize for Art Production Photography 3 Aphra Magazine Prize for Media Studies 3 Bike Ride Contribution to Claremont College Bike Ride Prize for Outdoor Leadership 3 Work and Training Prize for Mathematics Applied 3 Adriana Taylor Prize for Accounting 3 Artery Prize for Art Production Painting & Drawing 3 Rotary Club of Claremont Prize for Drama 3 The Minister for Education's Global Citizen Award

#### **Claremont College 2013 Scholarship Recipients**

lade Johnson Tasmanian Hospitality Association Scholarship for VET Certificate II Hospitality **Dominic Davies Derwent Bursary** Kartanya Maynard Norske Skog Aboriginal Student Scholarship Elaine Gordon Norske Skog Scholarship for Mathematics Claudine Rukundo Nyrstar Hobart Scholarship for Science Obsa Abdulhakim Rotary Club of Glenorchy Scholarship for an English as an Additional Language Student Sumaya Abdulhakim Rotary Club of Glenorchy Scholarship for an English as an Additional Language Student Phillip Southorn Rotary Club of Glenorchy Scholarship for a First Year University of Tasmania Student Grant lessup Rotary Club of Glenorchy Scholarship for a First Year University of Tasmania Student Zac Henderson Cadbury Scholarship for the Arts Jackson Simpson Hobart City Mission Scholarship for Music **Amy Palmer** Long Tan Scholarship for Leadership and Teamwork Shaun Williams The Principal's Award for Contribution the College Community Joshua Stevenson University of Tasmania Scholarship for Best Claremont College Results in Year 11 Claremont RSL Scholarship for Outstanding Results Shaun Gray Elaine Gordon Claremont RSL Scholarship for Outstanding Achievement Claudine Rukundo Claremont College Scholarship for Dux 2013



#### Boat Buidling Class

This year we've made excellent progress with two boat projects. The smaller is a "Firebug" sailing dinghy and the larger is a 3.1M dinghy suitable for rowing or a 10hp motor.

The students are learning about new epoxy techniques to build long lasting wooden boats.

When finished we will sell the boats to external clients and hopefully make a small profit!





#### Random Acts of Kindness (RAK)

Yra Walker is a student at Claremont College who is also a member of St John Ambulance Australia. Kyra has her CPR Certificate and is undergoing a Training Course with St John to gain her First Aid Qualifications.

It was fortunate that Kyra was in the library the day that a student broke her toe. Kyra assisted the library staff to perform First Aid and keep the student comfortable until someone came to collect her to take her to the hospital.

We are very lucky to have students with such varied skills at the college!

#### Claremont College Cubby Stars at PWI!

Claremont College youthBUILD recently displayed and auctioned a cubby at the HIA Homefest Expo at PWI. The winning bid was around \$800.00, with the full amount donated to the Make-a-Wish Charity, which helps kids with cancer.

The Construction Pathways class recently completed the construction of the cubby and are to be congratulated on the high standard of the work. Around 14000 people attended the expo and the cubby proved a big hit with both adults and children. HIA youthBUILD and Claremont College would like to thank K&D Warehouse for its generous support of this project.

#### ADF Camp at Mt Field National Park

On March 20th the VET ADF class set off to Mt Field National Park for an overnight camp. 17 students enjoyed two days of bush walking, camp cooking, tent construction and various outdoor challenges.

We were fortunate to have Flight Lieutenant Clare Bosnjak who joined us on the camp. She provided guidance with the various activities and was able to impart a first hand account of her experiences in the ADF.

Pat amazed the students by providing a brace and bit drill for the stilt challenge that as one student commented, "wow it doesn't even need electricity". The students all far exceeded our expectations for team work and showed initiative for getting things done.





They were a credit to the college and constantly looked out for each other. Unfortunately on the Friday the rain came down in buckets so it was a very wet and muddy group that returned to school. A great experience for everyone.





#### Harmony Day How Fortunes Change

**Question:** How many migrants have made Australia home since the end of World War II?

**Answer:** More than six and a half million.

And.....

#### Did you know that more than 300 different languages are spoken in Australian homes!

These facts are freely given out on Harmony Day, March 21st every year, when thousands of people across the country come together to celebrate Australia's diversity with music, festivals, food and sport. Claremont College celebrated Harmony Day this year with a barbecue, [thanks Ross, Shaun Dwyer, Rouhollah Gholami and other helpers], some 'street art' chalk graffiti, stickers, orange ribbons and balloons. The Certificate II Skills for Work and Vocational Pathways class added to the atmosphere by selling 'fortune lollies', with all proceeds going to the college SRC.

Many of our EAL students have had their fortunes changed by having the opportunity to live safely in our local communities. For other students and staff too, we have families whose ancestry reaches back many years to other countries in the world.

Harmony Day is a celebration of all these facts and fortunes, with a message of living together in 'harmony' – that is, with peace and a sense that everybody can and does belong, regardless of where you come from or what language you speak. You can change someone's fortune every day with a smile or hello or a helping hand. In this way we all contribute to Australia's diversity. We hope next year's Harmony Day is just as happy and 'harmonious', but guess what; you don't have to wait that long to make sure everyone feels they belong here at Claremont College or in your community. Let's make every day Harmony Day.

So bring your smile and look out for a fortune lolly seller near you!



#### Claremont College Breakfast Program up and Running

A t Claremont College we believe every student deserves the opportunity to thrive and have a happy and healthy adolescence.

Our new Breakfast Program allows us to support young people to have a good start to the school day by providing them with the opportunity to share a nutritious breakfast in a supervised environment.

Research suggests that having breakfast contributes to academic performance and improves the overall nutritional quality of young people's diet.

This program is free and available to all students. The program operates from 8:15 am – 8:40am in the student Common room. Toast, cereals, fruit juice and hot drinks are available.

We encourage students who have not had breakfast prior to coming to school to come along to the common room and share in a nutritious breakfast. We would like to thank our community partners: The Food Bank and Second Bite for supplying the foods for this program.







#### Claremont College Trip to Japan

Planning for the Claremont College trip to Japan is underway. This trip is planned for the October school holidays.

Our exchange school, Rankoshi Senior High, is located on the northern most island of Hokkaido. Some of the time in Japan will be spent here experiencing a variety of cultural activities and attending school. The trip will include time in Tokyo and a day at Disneyland.

This trip is open to any interested Claremont College student. For further information contact Jo Robinson or Sarah Jago in G Block.

## Thank you

### to our sponsors for supporting the 2014 Claremont College Prize Night

#### **DIARY DATES**

Thursday April 17th Last day Term 1

Monday May 5th Classes resume for Term 2

Monday May 19th



Experience Day

Wednesday May 21st Reports Issued

Friday June 13th Semester 1 classes finish

Friday July 4th Last day Term 2

Monday Aug 4th - Friday Aug 8th Mid Year Exam Week

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#### Amended 2014 College Timetable (from mid-March) Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

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