

Girl Power at Northholm!



Last week of Term One was particularly rewarding for some of our girls. Beginning with a group of Year Seven girls under the watchful eyes of their Art teacher, Miss Barlow, and the new Year Four teacher, Mr Milner, an avid fan of filmmaking, attended the Kidsflickz International Film for Children Festival after the girls were nominated for awards in three different categories:

- The Bardic Studio Award for Best Film Produced by a School
- Women in Film and Television Award for the Best Film Produced by a Girl
- Animal Logic Award for Best Animation by a Child

The girls, Ruby Cox, Faith Trestrail, Lilliana D'Angola and Tyler Old went home triumphant after being awarded the 'Best Film Produced by a Girl' for their film 'The Changing Life of Sydney'.

Following on from this success, Carina Sirolli attended a ceremony at the University of Sydney where she received a Year Ten Academic Excellence Award. Carina achieved this prestigious award based on her overall grades resulting in Dux of Year Ten 2015.

To conclude what was to be a week of triumph, our Under 15 Girls Basketball Team (Mystics) won their grand final against Tangara 19-15 then backed up to play in the Under 16 Girls (Stars) competition where they were again successful against Tangara winning convincingly with a score of 28-13.

We were also delighted to receive the news that the 2014, School Captain, Morgan Kingham, has been selected as the 2016 Castle Hill RSL Kokoda Youth Leadership Scholar and will fly to PNG to walk the Kokoda Trail as the Ambassador for the RSL. While at Northholm, Morgan was the recipient of her Gold Award in the Duke of Edinburgh Program, a contributing factor to her success in being appointed to this exciting role.

Is it a coincidence perhaps, or just very timely, that our Chapel theme for next term is to be 'Women of Grace and Courage'. Rest assured, however, that our boys aren't forgotten. The Term Three Chapel theme will be 'Men of Honour'.

News from Uniting Care Galston Early Learning Centre

All of the educators at Galston Early Learning Centre this month had the opportunity to attend the first Uniting Care Children's Services Conference for 2016 at Brighton-Le-Sands.

The conference focused on guiding challenging behaviours, positive psychology for children and working through the challenges in documenting children's learning. All of these presentations provided innovative ideas to overcome these challenges for educators, as well as provide strategies and suggestions on how we, as early childhood educators, can improve our practices on a day to day basis.

After the conference, we reflected on some of the key points. These included- focusing on the broader perspective of children's behaviour by observing and recording triggers that lead to the behaviour; how our emotions are contagious and drive our capacity to think; the importance of finding the positives in your everyday life to increase productivity at the centre.

We have a passionate team here at Galston and we hope that the children who attend our service now and in future will benefit from our educator's further developing their skills and knowledge in early childhood education. Our team continually strives to maintain and improve our practices to ensure that the centre provides quality education and care for the children and families within our community.



If you would like to come and have a look at the centre or ask any questions regarding our Educational Program please feel free to contact the Centre Director Daniela Balmer on 9653 1475.

Red Cross, Castle Hill Branch

Red Cross, Castle Hill Branch will hold it's next meeting on Friday 13th May, from 9.30a.m. to 11.00a.m. in The Tribute Room, Level 1, Castle Grand Library Building, Castle Hill. New members welcome. Enquiries 8850 7056.

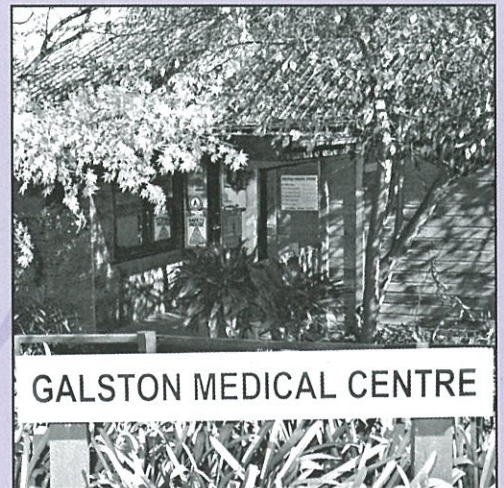
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