FROM THE DIRECTOR
Welcome back to school for Term3!

It was great to see students return on Monday with smiles to warm our hearts. I trust you all had a restful break. The July break is a busy time for the school with teachers completing their first Semester reports, much needed maintenance to the grounds and buildings and the continued work to improve the school’s computer systems. A number of staff attended the National Anthroposophical Conference in Mullumbimby and the High School Conference in Noosa. They provided great opportunities for personal reflection and growth. As we approach the end of week our students are immersed in their new work and will soon start preparations for the Spring Festival as we will away the cold weather.

Zsofia Kennedy

NEW ENROLMENTS
We welcome four new families into the school: Leah March and her parents Hannah and Pawandeep. Kai Haywood – Livingston, who we are happy to welcome back into the community, along with his parents Julia Haywood and Eric Livingston; Danielle Osborne and her parents Daniel and Karen Osborne; Lilly Evers – Zipf and her parents Rebecca Evers and Michael Pomplun. We hope you all feel welcomed into the community.

Mercedes Logan
Enrolments Officer

PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS
Welcome back to term 3. I hope everyone has had a good holiday. The fabulous winter festival seems an age ago and this term we head towards the Spring Festival on 17 September for Preschool and 19 September for Classes 1-12. Over the holidays several projects were undertaken. Significantly, a comprehensive IT upgrade is almost complete. Please accept our apologies for any missed emails and the delay in reports.
The tree doctors have also been through the site removing dangerous branches and trees. Outside Class 4 there is now some new landscaping including new seating. The children are already taking advantage of this area. Several floors have also been refinished.

There were several conferences over the holidays including the National Anthroposophical Conference at Shearwater, the International Post-Graduate Medical Training in Melbourne, High School Conference at Noosa and a shoe making course here at Samford. Many of our teachers took the opportunity to attend these conferences and insights were shared at the Whole School Faculty on Tuesday. We have also been very fortunate to have Bodo von Plato, the keynote speaker at the Anthroposophical Conference and Council member of the Goeotheanum visit the school this week. He gave a very thought provoking presentation on destiny and freedom and posed the question, ‘what would be different to you if destiny is not carrying your being i.e. you are the carrier of your destiny’. Thought provoking indeed!

Coming up this term in week 4 is the Public Holiday on Monday 11 August for the EKKA week. Helle Heckmann is also visiting the school. She is the Director of the Nokken Waldorf Kindergarten in Copenhagen and an internationally respected presenter. I highly recommend the workshops she will be offering on Saturday 9 August. There will be limited spaces. More information to follow.

Please mark Thursday evening 28 August for the Music Concert. I am sure that this will be a fantastic event and your support would be greatly appreciated; there are some amazing things happening musically in the school. It will be a musical week as Music Under the Stars is on the following Saturday 30 August. Another event not to be missed!

Next week in the newsletter we will begin articles from the Class Teachers and specialists. I hope you find these interesting and informative.

Have a great term.

Chris Jack
Education Administrator

**HIGH SCHOOL NEWS**

Welcome back to school for Term 3! It was wonderful this week to see the High School come alive once more, with our students flooding back and happily greeting each other and catching up. Lots of positive and enthusiastic energy! Over the break the school had a moment to take a breath, a moment for quiet contemplation. Many of the staff attended the Australian Anthroposophical Conference at Shearwater Steiner School and the first High School Teacher’s Conference at Noosa Pengari Steiner School. Here at school the quiet classrooms and empty playing fields seemingly waiting in anticipation - looking forward to the noise and vigour that is characteristic of its very reason for being.
Over the break a lot of work went towards addressing our ageing and unreliable IT network infrastructure. This is causing some short term angst at the moment but will have a really positive effect on our school, particularly the High School, way into the future.

We were really fortunate to have Bodo von Plato visit our High School on Wednesday. Bodo has many decades experience as a Waldorf teacher and educator and is a member of the Executive Council of the Anthroposophical Society, Dornach, Switzerland. At assembly he spoke of the life and work of Hannah Arendt, whose philosophy and ideas cause much interest and controversy, especially her published writing on the Eichmann trial in Jerusalem, "A Report on the Banality of Evil". Bodo put forward the idea that in our time each of us has to be fully conscious and responsible, that the time has passed for looking to external authority to know what to believe, think and do. Bodo also joined Molly and Class 11 for their current Parsival Main Lesson, and then spent the rest of the morning in conversation with Class 12.

Our Class 10, 11 and 12s all attended the University of Queensland Geography day (http://www.gpem.uq.edu.au/geography-day), where our students had the opportunity to join with other High School students and experience lectures and workshops investigating environmental and climate science with topics like population and oceanography.

The Main Lessons underway in the High School are: Class 8 World Geography with Mark, Class 9 Art History 2 with Edmund, Class 10 Poetics with Dave, Class 11 Parsival with Molly and Class 12 Optics with me (see photo below).

I welcome the opportunity to discuss our curriculum or any of these lessons with you, as do each of our dedicated and enthusiastic teachers.
Warm regards,
Tim Dunn
PAFA NEWS
We’ve got some exciting things lined up for this term:
• Friday Foodies will continue on a fortnightly basis
• Music Under the Stars in August
• Connie Grawert will be taking a 3 week Study Group on the Temperaments

Music Under the Stars - Saturday 30 August, 7pm til 10pm.
A night of amazing music, Govindas, Hog Roast, wine and fabulous company.
What a line up we have!
Barb Fordham and friends (see bio below)
Acoustic band 'Denvar' with Guest sax player, River
Dale Jones and ‘The Nightinguys’
Jessica and Michael Smith - talented Steiner graduates
Kerrie Beaumont's 'A Short Musical'

Barb Fordham and friends (a short Bio)
Barbara has been working as a professional singer/actress for the past 20 years. She has supported the likes of Vince Jones, Galapagas Duck and Renee Geyer at a variety of Jazz and Blues festivals around the country, as well as appearing in several productions of "Women in Voice". Many years ago she performed in a band called "Hot Potatoes" with one of our local parents Annie Morris who will be onstage again with Barb for Music Under the Stars. Also joining her will be another parent Evan Clarry, songwriter and member of the 90's band "Natives of Bedlam", and Neil Neilsen, who many moons ago won the 4ZZZ band of the year with 'Cape Diem'. He now plays with 'The Jaywalkers'.
Book your Babysitters!
Tickets selling this term!!
Does it get any better!

Friday Foodies
This term we are excited to continue Friday Foodies, every fortnight (week 2, 4, 6 and 8). We have asked for feedback and we are happy to announce that we will be providing lots of local, organic produce and healthy affordable snacks.
Also look out for the second hand clothing stall organised by the lovely Sam Lindsey-German and Sam Gibson!
If you are interested in having a stall at Friday Foodies next term please send Angelina an email angelinap@cartridgeciti.com. If you or your children would like to perform at Friday Foodies please send Brendan an email bhook@samfordsteiner.qld.edu.au

Parents Study Group – The Temperaments
This term we are delighted to bring you a Parent Study Group run by Connie Grawert on the temperaments. The group will run on Friday mornings in weeks 5 (22nd August), 7 (5th September) and 8 (12th September) at the Hub. There is a small fee of $20 for all three sessions! Registration forms are available at the office and please ensure you have the correct amount as the office will not be able to give out change.
Imogen (PAFA President) and Amy C (PAFA Vice President), Angelina (PAFA Treasurer) and Amy V (PAFA Secretary)
CLASSIFIEDS

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House for rent - Ferny Grove
Easy drive to school and very close to train. We would like to break the lease on our current rental property as we have purchased our own house.
3 bedroom low set house with 1 bathroom, great yard - safe and fully fenced for children and pets. Large kitchen, lounge, dining and family room, covered patio at side/rear, enclosed carport. Great neighbours and fantastic location. $390 per week. It is currently managed by a property agent but please text Susan on 0452 663 408 to arrange a viewing.

Organic Meat Co-op – All Welcome to Join
Fortnightly delivery of organic meat and gluten-free and preservative-free meat products at wholesale prices. You simply order via email and your meat is delivered in a refrigerated truck from The Meat-ting Place every second Friday afternoon during school terms. For further info, please contact Lesley McGregor (mum from classes 5 & 8) at lesleyamcg@gmail.com or mob: 0438-695991

Sustainable Storytelling
Available for children's birthday parties. Show includes stories & songs written especially for your child, based on astrology and using environmentally friendly puppets. These stories are designed to remind your child of who they are & why they chose to be born upon this earth, in a beautiful, gentle, age-appropriate way. Suitable for ages 6 and under. $100 for half hour show. Includes written copy of story for birthday child.
Please call Emma on 0400 826 991, or e-mail emma.forsberg1@bigpond.com. Emma is available for performances at Family Day Care, Child Care Centres and functions.

Hose for Rent in Wights Mountain
Address available on request
"Love the look of timber & views"? Well this architecturally home may be the one for you.

With four bedrooms all with fans and a study, the master also offers sweeping mountain views, aircon and an ensuite. The open plan kitchen/family with modern appliances and aircon screams "let's get together" and leads out to the deck which is the perfect place to entertain while taking in the amazing views. To add a further element to this property there is a spacious rumpus separate from the main living with direct access to the deck. The main bathroom has a 'Fab' tub to enjoy with a quiet drink. The outside dog is welcome and there is dog fencing. So grab the Family and make an appointment to inspect now.
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Ramp Up
Skateboard, Scooter & Freestyle BMX Clinics starting in August – December 2014

Over 1000 participants have already attended RAMP UP clinics, now it’s your turn! Youth aged 5-17 have the opportunity to attend FREE Skateboard, Scooter and Freestyle BMX Clinics at skate parks throughout the Moreton Bay region this August to December. Clinics are designed for complete beginners and regular riders, participants will learn new skills every session from our experienced instructors at Skateboarding Australia, Pro Scooter Lessons and Core BMX.

For a full list of locations and dates visit www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au/rampup or call 3205 0555

NO BOOKINGS are required for the RAMP UP clinics, just show up to the sessions with your ride and helmet and have a great time.