

broomeboarding

“Our aim is to provide a highly valued boarding service which supports students in their personal development and education in a safe and caring environment.”



Our supervisory staff at Cable Beach.

BRC Board of Management

I would like to send special thanks to the BRC Board of Management who have been very helpful and supportive this term. Notably our newly elected Chairperson, Ms Nik Wevers, our Deputy Chair, Mr. Lincoln Day and our two school principals, Mr Tony Treacy and Mr Gary Downsborough. The support the board provides to me and staff behind the scenes is invaluable. We are still seeking nominations from parent representatives to this board. If you are interested please contact Kristen on 0439521172.

Enrolments for 2008 and beyond

With delays in the building, we will only be able to offer 40 placements for 2008. We already have more applications than we do places to offer. Can I ask all parents of students already attending to send in your re-enrolment forms if you wish your child to attend next year.

I would also encourage anyone wishing to send their children next year or in the years to follow to please send enrolment forms in ASAP. Places for 2008 will be allocated before the end of October 2007. Applications forms and information can be obtained from the website of by contacting the college. See contact details at the bottom of the page.

Staff Profile - Miss Jodie By Miss Karli

For our opening Term we were blessed with the presence of Jodie Smith from Narrogin Residential College. Jodie came to Broome to share her knowledge and experience in residential care, and to help get our College up and running. Narrogin is a slightly bigger college, with about 225 students (compared to our 29), so coming to Broome for Miss Jodie would have been a pretty cruisy holiday....well, you would think! That was until she got here and realised that half the college was still being built. The knowledge and hard work Jodie shared with us all has been invaluable and she will be surely missed by both staff and students. We are still working on getting a wing named in recognition of her time here (she wishes!!!).

Manager's Update Kristen Orazi

We have finally opened and survived our first term...if with half a college! In our first term of operation we have had the pleasure of providing accommodation to 29 wonderful young people from across the Kimberley and Pilbara regions. It has been a difficult first term for all involved. Living on a building site, with kitchen / laundry and administrative facilities based off site, staff and students are to be commended for their commitment to go with the flow, be flexible and creative in difficult circumstance. Special appreciation is to be given to our Admin and Ancillary staff who are working in isolation until they can move on site.

Building Update

Reports from the builders at this stage have indicated that the main building will be completed in term 4 and ready for 2008. The next stage of building, which will include 2 more dorms and take our capacity to 72 students, will not commence until 2008. We will keep you posted!

Garnduwa Basketball Carnival By Miss Jodie

At 4am on Saturday the 23rd of September we woke the students to pile them onto the bus and head to Derby for our first exciting road trip. We arrived in Derby 8 minutes before the boys team (BRC Mustangs) had to be on court. The girls team (BRC Magic) played in the following game.

Overall the Mustangs and Magic played a total of twelve games between them over the two days and all students behaved in a manner that made us all very proud of them. Our two teams were the youngest in the comp and they showed fantastic team spirit and tried their hardest against some considerably older and bigger teams.

After a tour of Derby hosted by Robert, we camped the night at the Kimberley Entrance Caravan Park where all students were commended for the good behaviour and manners they showed during their stay.

On Sunday we arrived back at the college at 4:30pm, still in high spirits after listening to heaps of ACDC, Britney Spears, Smokey and Allan Jackson over and over and over on the bus trip home. We ended the day physically exhausted and looking forward to jumping in our nice cosy college beds.

DVD "Our Community" By Miss Sinead

This term the staff and students decided to take on the task of producing a DVD for the "Your Eyes Only" competition, run by the Foundation for Young Australians. The idea behind the project was to make a DVD that showed how all the young people, despite coming from different communities, also effectively come together in Broome to make a new community of their own. The students decided on what they would like to show in the film, recorded the footage and created special art work for the final DVD.

The final masterpiece was a truly amazing group effort and it was a privilege for the staff to see the young people get so involved and take ownership of this project. A big thank you must go to all those students, who in their free time, worked tirelessly to pull it all together. The DVD has already been entered into the competition so fingers crossed! All student involved in the DVD will be given a copy to bring home in term 4.

Personal Student Achievements

Our inaugural student intake has proved to be a talented bunch with some of our students achieving exceptional accomplishments this term in the areas of sports and arts.

The following students are to be commended for their hard work and dedication in the following:

Hailey Angus (Athletics) - after performing like a star at the Kullarri Regional Athletics Carnival in Halls Creek Hailey has been chosen to attend the National Aboriginal Athletics Championships in Newcastle, New South Wales.

Bianca McGaffin (Art) – Bianca was awarded first place in the Yo Fest Art Awards for her artwork.

Nathan Green (AFL) - Nathan has proven to be both an AFL and Soccer superstar. Nathan has been selected in the WA Claremont youth development squad and will attend a training camp in Perth over the October school holidays.

Robert Spry-Wiggan (Performing Arts) - Robert's didgeridoo performances have achieved acclaim in the Youth arts sector and amongst his peers at the college. Rumour has it that Robert may be off to perform with Kimberley artist Robert Dann in Paris next year (This is yet to be confirmed!).

End of year Presentation Night

Our end of year presentation night is set to be a low key event at 5pm on Thursday the 22nd of November 2007. Board members, Parents, family and friends are all welcome to help the staff and students acknowledge achievements and celebrate the end of our first year. Invitations with further details will be sent out in term 4.

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