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FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL & HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

Over the past week there have been some really impressive special events that have entertained audiences of staff, children and College families.

The Years 5 & 6 'Step Back in Time' Creative Arts event was arguably our best yet! Thank you to our dedicated team especially Mrs Lianne Brown who wrote the original script for the performance. We were all very entertained and I can certainly see some of our performers becoming lead roles in future College musicals! Congratulations Year 5 and 6.

Year 6 are in their final weeks of Junior School and have started to enjoy some of their special events. Going to Aquatopia was a highlight which boasted perfect weather and a time Year 6 will treasure with lots of fun memories made. We look forward to the Year 6 Ceremony and Year 6 Dinner to come next week.

It has been wonderful to see our Infants Strings group grow and watch them perform at the end of year concert last week, led by our incredible Mr Ibrahim. Remember every expert starts as a beginner! Mr Ibrahim played a beautiful piece which a student could perform after only a few years of dedicated practise. Please join me in encouraging your child to keep persevering with their instrument.

Reports will be sent to families towards the end of term. As parents, sometimes we only look at the academic grade on the report and glance over the effort it took for the child to reach that point. Effort leads to achievement and the Positive Learning Attributes on the final page of the report is a great place to praise their attitude and effort. One true measure of an excellent learner

is the effort and character applied to their learning which supports their growth and maturity. Please take the time to look at all parts of the report, look at the evidence in Seesaw and rejoice in the growth your child has attained.

As we begin to look towards 2024, I would like to reassure you that the teachers consider very carefully the placement of every child in classes. I sometimes get requests from parents about a particular combination of students that a parent feels will work best, or a teacher that they think may be the right one. Sometimes these combinations are not the best for learning and the teachers need to look at the big picture of the year group. Concerns regarding this can be sent to alow@thac.nsw.edu.au. We will always consider the requests that you have but cannot guarantee that they will be met as we have to do the best for all students.

We look forward to our special Sports Assembly next week where we can celebrate student achievement and can be thankful for the talents our students have in so many Sporting areas across the College.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. Proverbs 3:5-6

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