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CO-CURRICULAR UPDATE

It has been a vibrant and rewarding few weeks in the co-curricular life of the College, with students embracing a range of opportunities to grow, perform, and connect — both locally and abroad.

Debating Success Across the College

The past few weeks have seen some excellent results and encouraging progress from our debating teams across various year levels. Our Year 5 team achieved an outstanding victory against a highly experienced Year 6 team from Penrith Anglican College — an impressive feat considering it was only their second debate! Meanwhile, our Year 6 debaters also celebrated a strong win, confidently arguing the affirmative case on the topic “That all Australian students should learn a musical instrument.”

In the HICES competition, our Years 7–8 teams showed both resilience and promise. One team of experienced debaters narrowly lost their opening round but are preparing eagerly for their next challenge, arguing “That all homework should be abolished.” Our second HICES team, made up mostly of newer debaters from public speaking backgrounds, is developing quickly, showing determination and growth. It’s been a fantastic start to the debating season, with great enthusiasm and momentum across the board.

Year 2 Choir in Full Voice

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The Year 2 Choir, led by Mrs Kristan and Mrs Hansford, continues to thrive with a wonderful mix of boys and girls who rehearse each Friday during Break 2 in the S Block auditorium. I had the pleasure of visiting their rehearsal last week and was met with smiling faces and enthusiastic singing. The group gave a lively performance of Down by the Bay, filling the room with energy and joy. It’s clear that these young singers are not only developing their musical skills but also building a love for singing together.

Cultural and Performance Tours to Queensland and Japan

Students recently returned from two exciting tours to Queensland and Japan, each filled with memorable experiences and rich learning opportunities. In Queensland, students had the chance to perform at Dreamworld and connect with passionate performers through visits to Nambour Christian College, Mitchelton State High School, Dance Force, and Dynamite Dance Studios. A highlight of the tour was participating in a local ANZAC service, where they represented the College with pride and respect.













Meanwhile, the Japan tour provided an unforgettable cultural immersion. Students visited sister

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schools, explored iconic locations such as Shibuya, and experienced the thrill of travelling on Japan’s famous bullet trains. From traditional customs to modern cityscapes, the tour offered a dynamic blend of language learning and cultural appreciation. Both tours were a tremendous success, showcasing our students’ talents, adaptability, and enthusiasm for new experiences.

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