

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As I read through reports recently, I was inspired by the enthusiasm shown by teachers and students in all subjects offered across the college. Our young people are achieving in so many ways, from refining their understanding in subjects, to improving their ability to communicate, to learning skills required for future employment. Our recent successful Careers Expo has given students further motivation to work towards their future study and career options.

I am so proud of those students who are excelling in their studies and am equally as proud of those who are persevering through challenges. With increased awareness of the importance of mental health issues, the conversations you have with your son or daughter around their reports are even more significant in helping them to achieve realistic goals.

Encourage them to reflect on their own learning, talk to their teachers and to play an active part in our Parent Teacher Evening next week. Our committed teachers are keen to help and extra tutorials are available to catch up in all subjects.

Dr Dianne Purnell

## GENERATIONS IN JAZZ FESTIVAL

The Elizabeth College A Cappella Vocal Ensemble and Stage Band travelled to Mount Gambier in South Australia for the annual Generations in Jazz festival in early May. The festival attracted 4726 students from across the country, with EC the sole Tasmanian representative. The twenty piece stage band lifted the roof with a strong performance of their three charts. Their string of accolades included first place in division 3.2, the pBone award for best trombone section in division 3, while Liam Matzolic won first trombone and Archie Cumper won lead trumpet. The four piece A Cappella Vocal Ensemble delivered an excellent performance in their division 2 category, receiving many positive comments from the adjudicators. Students have come back all the more focused, inspired and determined to achieve their best. Success is no fluke – it is the reward for diligence.



Liam Matzolic named best first trombone and Archie Cumper best lead trumpet in their division.



Jess Murray

Exhibited at Light up the Lane

## STUDENT AND STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

- Jess Murray's digital art was selected for the Hobart City Council's 2017 Light Up the Lane exhibition in Mathers Lane
- Dorian Williams, Enzo Balducci, Jed Wallis, Sam Fros and Lochlan Booth represented Tasmania at the first ever UI9 Gridiron National Championship in April
- Joe Murphy has been selected into the Australian Under 17 Hockey team and will shortly tour Europe
- Laura Newell competed for Tasmania in the Australia Country Waterpolo Championships
- Jess Fowler has been selected for international tennis competitions interstate and has achieved some wins
- Sophie Young came first in the in the Hanyuqiao Chinese Speaking and Cultural Performance competition
- Lisette Terts, Mitchell Woolley and Anni Zhang won the UTAS Law School Debate.

## UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Wednesday 24 May**

Reports have been given to students

**Tuesday 6 June**

Parent Teacher Meetings

**2-3 and 7-10 June**

Godspell

**Monday 12 June**

Queen's Birthday Holiday

**Wednesday 14 and Thursday 15 June**

Parent Information Evenings

**Wednesday 21 June**

Orientation Day for Year 10s  
Study day for our students

**Thursday 22 – Friday 30 June**

Mid-year assessment period

**Friday 7 July**

Term 2 ends

**Monday July 24**

Term 3 begins