



Amalgamation Update 7

Week ending June 17, 2011

The amalgamation of Moreton Bay College (MBC) and Moreton Bay Boys' College (MBBC) is a dynamic move for the future of education on the bayside. In an effort to keep our school community informed every step of the way, we will discuss a variety of topics relating to the amalgamation in the email to parents every Friday.

Latest news

Backfill Roles

Meetings with the Principal Elect and the Acting Heads of College to discuss the details of responsibility and duty management continue.

We have the following announcements to make regarding backfill positions:

MBBC

Moreton Bay Boys' College is pleased to announce that Mr Sean Smith and Ms Naomi Williams will be taking up higher responsibilities next term, backfilling Mr Tony Dosen's current role as Director of Teaching and Learning.

Mr Smith has been appointed Vocational Education Coordinator and will be responsible for all students undertaking vocational pathways. Ms Williams' current role as a senior English teacher will also be expanded to include responsibility for the senior school curriculum and supply staff amongst other duties.

MBC

Moreton Bay College is pleased to announce that Mr Warren Richards will fill the position of Acting Head of Staff during Mrs Jan Howatson's time as Acting Head of College. Mrs Gay Barnett will fill Mr Richard's role in the mathematics department. We are indebted to Ms Jiang, Mr Anderson, Ms Kane and Mrs Suzor from the Maths department and Mrs Maree Gream from the Home Economics department, for stepping into these roles and taking a number of classes. Administration positions are being finalised during this week.

Recruitment Update

Our search for permanent Heads of College for MBC and MBBC has attracted a very strong and capable field. A report from the recruitment agency engaged to source applicants, is due shortly with first round interview likely to take place in the early part of Term 3.

Amalgamation Feedback

Feedback received about the amalgamation from parents, former students and staff continues to be extremely positive. Below is an example received by email from a parent:

"I think the idea [amalgamation] is marvellous, and wish your new venture all the success it deserves. Your news was a wonderful surprise, and has put a smile on my face."

Coming up

Dr Crouch's Final Week

Thank you all who attended the MBBC P&F Farewell Function for Dr Crouch last Friday June 10. More than 100 people attended on the night to show their support for the school's foundation principal and to honour his longstanding career as a leading educator.

It was a two-in-one event for Dr Crouch who was also celebrating his birthday. Mrs Roseanne Wallis made a beautiful cake to mark the joint occasion.



As Term 2 draws to a close, next Friday will mark Dr Crouch's last as Principal at Moreton Bay Boys' College.

MBBC Chairman Stephen Gray said the new position Dr Crouch had accepted in the United Arab Emirates was a unique opportunity, testimony to the high international regard for Moreton Bay Boys' College.

"As our foundation Principal, Dr Crouch has had an immeasurable impact on the development of the College," he said.

"During his stewardship, MBBC has grown from a strawberry field to a thriving campus that has just graduated its first group of Year 12 students.

"Dr Crouch's most significant contribution to the College is the outstanding and high quality staff that has been assembled and who are at the core of everything MBBC does.

"Of course, as this chapter ends, a new one begins. Amalgamation and further strengthening our ties with MBC brings many opportunities for MBBC that make for an exciting future together."

Ms Haynes attended the evening as part of her commitment to meeting more MBBC parents and spoke in tribute to Dr Crouch, commenting particularly on the quality of staff he has selected during his time. She applauded him for his leadership of MBBC on behalf of the MBC staff.

How to keep up to date

Contact Us

If you have any additional concerns or questions, please email feedback@mbc.qld.edu.au or feedback@mbbc.qld.edu.au and we will endeavour to respond to you as quickly as possible.

Also refer to the detailed [Q&A document](#) on our websites.



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MBBC Principal



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