Vanuatu study tour

In November 2015, nine teachers from a school in Port Vila, Vanuatu arrived in Tweed Heads to strengthen school partnerships, continue their training in quality literacy teaching, and make cultural links with people in the community.

Earlier in the year, teachers from Pacific Coast Christian School visited Vanuatu to provide teacher training in a program designed to assist Ni-Vanuatu students to improve their literacy skills. As part of their recent visit, NiVan teachers were able to observe teachers at Pacific Coast implementing the Reading Mastery program and receive further training in quality Christian education.

During their visit teachers had the opportunity to participate in a very special meeting of the Southsea Islander Community, which was held at the Chinderah Memorial. This emotional occasion was a time of healing and celebration for the families of islanders who had been black-birded more than one hundred years ago. Some of the Vanuatu teachers even found that they were related to families living in Australia. A very special thank you to Luther and Ivanka Cora for organising this event.

The visitors were also honoured guests at a fundraising dinner held by Pac Assist. This local charity is seeking to raise $10 000 as part of a plan to build a school in Espiritu Santo, Vanuatu. It was a great honour and privilege to be able to support and partner with, one of our closest island neighbours.

Eve Krahe
New Pacific Coast Principal
Come and meet the new principal of Pacific Coast Christian School and Pacific Hope School, Mr Ben Krahe. Ben Krahe has lived in the Tweed for the last 13 years, with a stint at Northside Christian College.

“I am passionate about learning in community. Pacific Coast is not an institution, but a Christian community where the students and teachers serve each other. Pacific Coast is a school which is honoured to be part of the Tweed Coast community and we are committed to teaching our students to serve with humility and excellence in the local, national and international community. My mission is to challenge students through Christ-centred education, to know Jesus Christ as their Saviour and Lord in order to pursue a life of Godly character, personal and academic excellence and service to others. Pacific Coast Christian School offers Christ-centred education in an atmosphere of love, respect, peace and discipline which will encourage students to achieve to their full potential for God. I would love to meet with you to discuss the educational possibilities for your child.”

You Have A Friend

Pacific Coast Christian School would like to thank John and his team for all they do in our community
www.youhaveafriend.com.au

Canteen

November is an important month to bring awareness and raise vital funds to support young people living with cancer. At Pacific Coast Christian School, students embrace the opportunity to support other young people and have raised nearly $2,000 by purchasing bandanas and proudly wearing them in the community of Tweed Heads. This is an important way students and individuals can serve and support others in our community.
Community Service

This year Pacific Coast Christian School has been involved in a number of activities that bless others both in our school and in the community. Some of the activities which students have been privileged to be a part of are: dune care at Kingscliff, cooking meals for You Have a Friend, reading and maths activities in Junior School, washing cars for teachers, gardening at school, cleaning windows, visiting retirement villages, technology training for senior citizens, collecting cans for You Have a Friend, writing cards to the local fire fighters, ambulance officers and SES to thank them, river clean up, helping the seniors at Tweed City and Tweed Centro to wheel trolleys to the car and unload groceries and visiting Fairways and Raffles. Our students love to serve others and I am constantly surprised by the initiative that they show when we are on these service excursions.

Mrs Wendy Hawkins - Community Relations Cordinator
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