Introduction:

2010 has seen some major shifts in our educational landscape on a local, state and federal level - this includes the move towards a national Curriculum, Building the Education Revolution, Flying Start, MySchool website, and the National Secondary Schools Computer Fund. Locally we have become a full 1-1 Laptop school, expanded our vocational program to win a State Finalist award, introduced the Responsible Thinking Process, completed a new Science Language Cultural Immersion Centre under the BER, achieved top Year 12 results and improved Year 9 NAPLAN scores, extended our community outreach, to name but a few items. Overall, the College has taken up the challenge of ‘Moving and Improving’ as educationalist Steve Dinham would advocate.

The ‘Highlights Booklet’ compliments the many fine achievements listed in the College Awards Program - we take pride in the following and congratulate our students, staff and community.

Teaching and Learning

- College wide 1:1 laptop program, with special guests for our official launch
- Successful implementation of our Responsible Thinking Process for students
- Expansion of Italian language/culture program to include Year 8 and 9 students
- Successful Parent Teacher Interview days in Terms 2 and 3
- Availability of tutoring by our teachers across a range of subject areas
- Year 8 Orientation Camp/Year 10 Wilderness Camp
- Year 9 student a worthy recipient of the Qld Government Indigenous Students Towards Employment Scholarship
- Macbook training sessions for students run by external trainers and Apple experts
- Introduction of yourtutor service, online one-to-one tutoring for students
- NAPLAN & QCST Workshops for our students facilitated by Mighty Minds
- Four students Silver Medalists in the Rising Chefs of the Future challenge
- Visits by senior students to Tertiary institutions and Career Expos
- Principal’s Excellence in Learning Awards in Terms 1 and 3
- Attendance of students at The Powerhouse of Leaders event
- 2008 graduate awarded a Distance Education Study Support Scholarship
- QUT Caboolture Business Competition win for four students, with individual financial incentives, plus a $3000 presentation to the College
- Thirty students participate in the Murrumba Maths Competition
- Student participation in the Australian Mathematics Competition
- Year 11 students attended the Tomorrow’s World conference
- StC one of three State finalists in the Queensland Training Awards

Facilities

- Completion of, and Official Opening and Blessing of our new building, The Edmund Rice Centre
- Trade Training Centre application submitted
- New grandstand and seating donated by P&F

Professional Learning

- Whole staff in-servicing on the Responsible Thinking Process
- A number of student teachers welcomed throughout the year
- Shared PD Day with our colleagues from Northern Lines schools
- Opening of the North Service Centre, enhancing the support provided to us by Brisbane Catholic Education
- Staff attendance at a range of in-services, QSA conferences and Panel meetings

Past Student Achievements

- Past student Nick Piva, selected to undertake a 6mth internship following the general manager setting up a new hotel in Pucket, Thailand
- Presentation of QUT Dean Scholarship in Engineering to 2009 Year 12 graduate, Morgan Kunde

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