The Headmaster extends an invitation to attend the

ANNUAL PRESENTATION OF AWARDS NIGHT

Secondary School: Thursday 20 November 2014
Primary School: Friday 28 November 2014

Please be seated by 6.55 pm for a 7.00 pm start on both nights

Dress standards:

**Students:** full formal school uniform (blazers, pins and ties to be worn: secondary)

**Parents, friends and family guests:** business or smart casual

Auditorium 1
Citipointe Church Brisbane
322 Wecker Road, Carindale 4152
From the Headmaster

Citipointe’s Newest Tradition:
Formal Hall for Citipointe’s Year 11

Formal Hall, a formal dinner with guest speaker, was held at Brisbane Technology Park in early October, a joint venture of the Headmaster and the Head of Secondary.

The following is an edited version of the introductory address given by the Headmaster

Oxford and Cambridge Universities (from where we inherit the tradition of Formal Hall) came into being by the gradual collecting together of independent places of learning. The first academic houses were monastic halls and the tradition of Formal Hall has a strong Christian origin. The style varies according to the college you live in, and they are important, regular social occasions.

A few years ago I was invited to Formal Hall at a College in Sydney. As a guest, I sat at high table (sometimes placed on a raised platform) with the university president and a small number of other guests, including the speaker. During the dinner I thought Formal Hall was something we should have at Citipointe. Mrs Moore has made it a right-of-passage event for you prior to entering your final year of study at Citipointe.

Now to explain some of the traditions associated with Formal Hall:

First of all it’s a formal, not informal dinner. In your lifetime and in your professional life there will be occasions when you will need to know how to enjoy a formal occasion. This is your rehearsal for those times.

Second, it begins with socialising before the dinner bell. In your professional life, networking with others is a highly desirable social skill. If you’re sociable, this won’t be hard, but if you’re reserved, you might find it difficult to meet new people and engage in small talk. Whichever category you’re in, you can all learn to network – it’s how you build your social and business contacts with others for mutual benefit.

Third, dinner began with Grace and will end with Benediction, and these need to be formal so that if called on in the future, you’ll know how to pray, read, or speak publicly without making a mess of it. At Oxford and Cambridge these graces would have been said in Latin, in recognition of the Christian and monastic origins of the colleges when Latin was the language of scholarship.

In my professional library is a volume of the collected Latin College Graces of Oxford and Cambridge, a gift from Dr Lillian Myers, purchased for me when she was researching in the Bodleian Library, Oxford for her PhD. It is one of my most prized possessions. I’ve chosen our graces from Queens College Oxford and Kings College Cambridge…and, yes, I can say them in Latin, which I’ve studied.

Fourth, our guest speaker (Ms Jenny Leo) will address you, and she is a distinguished alumnus of Citipointe and Bond University. You’re fortunate to attend a College where there are many occasions when you need to listen. This is the way you’re trained to pay attention to someone of merit who has put effort into preparing something meaningful to say for your benefit.

Fifth, a student leader will respond to the address. At the College in Sydney on the night I attended the response to the guest speaker by a student leader was masterful. He had obviously listened well to quite a sophisticated address and made a short yet very sensible speech-in-reply. He modelled the correct approach we should all have when listening to a formal speech. It should cause you to think, and you should be able to discuss it with others afterwards.

I hope you enjoy Formal Hall, and understand that we have begun the tradition for a very specific purpose – to further your preparation for adult and professional life.

Pastor Ron Woolley
Headmaster
It is always exciting to see Citipointe students excelling in Math’s at school and especially beyond.

Recently, William Chang (Year 12) has gained entry into the University of Waterloo in Ontario, Canada studying a Bachelor of Mathematics (Hons) (co-operative program) including a $2000 President’s scholarship. William applied to the University through the OUAC (similar to QTAC) process. His excellent Maths A, B and C results, as well as his IELTS (International English Language Testing System) achievement, stood him in good stead.

As part of the co-operative education program at the University of Waterloo, academic studies are combined with work experience. Co-op allows you to gain up to two years of relevant paid work experience. Academic terms alternate with work terms forming study/work sequences.

Living on campus in Canada is more affordable than in Australia and William is looking forward to being actively involved in the university community and enjoying a good study environment. William is keen to doing some teaching as part of his experience. In this way he will gain classroom training even before applying to a BEd program. The course William has enrolled into provides in-depth studies into concepts not covered in a 3 year under graduate degree in Australia.

“The teaching philosophy here at Citipointe makes me really enjoy Maths and I am eager to explore further studies in Math’s at the tertiary level,” states William. The START QUT program affirms an interest in studying Maths as it is evident that “Maths has endless real life applications across all fields of study.”

William is commended for his latest achievement as well as his commitment to his studies here at Citipointe. As an engaging, mature young man he is a credit to himself, his family and the College. William’s integrity, bright personality and sense of humour coupled with his thirst for knowledge will make him an asset to any career he pursues. May you be abundantly blessed, William.

Mrs Charna Bornhutter
Head of Mathematics
The Citipointe Sporting Program 2015 (as advised in the pastoral letter of 6 September 2014 emailed to parents) will include as our main focus:

- **Campus Sport** (for students not involved in inter-school competition, and conducted on the same days as District Sport)

- **Inter-School Sport** (for College Teams):
  - **Secondary District Sport** for Years 7, 8, 9 on Tuesday afternoons and for Years 10, 11, 12 on Wednesday afternoons
  - **Primary and Secondary District Carnivals** for swimming, cross-country and track & field (this provides the route for all school students to progress to Regional, State and National titles)
  - **Secondary InterCollegiate Sport** - after school - for three focus sports in two divisions, 14 and under and 15 and over (except for rugby union, where ARU divisions are specified as Under 18 and Under 15) for rugby, football and netball. Volleyball will continue to develop separately as a focus sport.
  - **Years 4-12 InterCollegiate Sport Carnivals** – after school - for swimming, cross-country and track & field

These commitments form a strong strategy for further sport development at Citipointe.

Commencing a new tradition - InterCollegiate Sport - provides a catalyst for Citipointe to develop further our sporting culture. Introducing early-evening carnivals (swimming/cross-country/track and field) as Years 4-12 events gives upper primary students the opportunity to see senior students acting as sporting role models. These protect academic time, and may also enhance the opportunity for increased parental and student support.

**Pastor Ron Woolley**  
Headmaster

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1 A current proposal is to create a two-tier competition, with Citipointe in Tier 1 with Mansfield SHS, Cavendish Road SHS, Rochedale SHS, Mt Gravatt SHS and probably Holland Park SHS. Tier 2 would be formed from smaller schools and schools new to the district.

2 Primary and secondary districts are formed differently but both involve local schools.
Citipointe’s Bus Fleet

The College Bus Fleet currently serves two hundred students travelling to and from school each day. Students from Prep to Year 12 enjoy air conditioning and seat belts for their comfort and safety. The College buses cover the south side of Brisbane from Victoria Point in the East to Mount Ommaney in the West and CBD/Brisbane River in the North to Loganholme in the South.

For the reasonable cost of a tank of fuel in your family car, by utilising the bus service you could avoid the daily traffic congestion on the campus each week.

If you would like to register for the convenience of College buses in 2015, please contact Michael Bunch on 3347 5899.


Mr Michael Bunch
Bus Manager
Grandparents Day in the Primary school

This year we welcomed over 900 guests to come along and visit the classrooms, share some activity with their grandchildren, and share morning tea in College Hall during the concert.

The children were very excited to have their visitors on campus. Thank you to Gail Gobey from McGrath Estate Agents for supplying prizes for the guessing competition. Gail presented these to the students at Primary assembly.

School Building Fund

Your voluntary donation to the school building fund is vital in supporting the capital works program in the College.

A $200 donation per family (page 14 Business Handbook) will help us achieve our next project.

2015 Redevelopment of the drop off zones in Primary and Secondary: It is now over 14 years since the Wecker Rd entrance to the school was developed. As the College has grown it seems the car park has become smaller. I am sure we have all felt the congestion during the school year. The College board have reviewed the redevelopment of the and now have the final plans to see the College through the next phase of growth. These plans include more flow through car spaces, more short term parking and long term parking with better use of space within the perimeters. The redevelopment also includes an undercover area for students to sit and stand whilst waiting to be collected.

Help us to achieve this goal by considering a school building fund donation.

Mrs Glenda Fitz-Payne
Development Director
Thank you

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- Completion of their commitment to help with the repayments for the College Hall sports floor
- Contribution to the new directional sign at Secondary drop off
- Contribution to the relining of the College pool

Our final fundraiser this year is the Christmas Bazaar, hope to see you there. Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a safe journey over the holiday break.

Mrs Teresa Krumenacher
President, Parent Connect

Mrs Avril van Zyl Treasurer Parent Connect presenting a $10,000 cheque to Ps Woolley for the refurbishment of the College Pool.

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Mrs Avril van Zyl Treasurer Parent Connect presenting a $10,000 cheque to Ps Woolley for the refurbishment of the College Pool.
As this time draws to a close, there are some significant events in the life of the College which are designed to celebrate our graduating class of 2014 and also to celebrate student achievement.

**YEAR 12 FINAL EXAMS**
*Thursday November 6 to Thursday November 13*

**YEAR 11 EXAM BLOCK**
*Monday November 10 to Wednesday November 19*

Students are required to be at school only on the days of their exams. However, if students wish to attend school on their non-exam days, the College provides a study room for them; they are expected to be in school uniform, to sign in and sign out at Secondary Reception on that day and present in the study room during the lesson times that they are at school.

**YEAR 12 ACTIVITY WEEK**
*Monday November 17 to Friday November 21*

Mr Simmons, our Head of Year 12, organises special activities and guest speakers for the Year 12 students. Students will also be involved in their final Chapel.

**SECONDARY AWARDS NIGHT**
*Thursday November 20 at 7pm in Citipointe Auditorium*

All College students and families are invited to this important event. Year 11 and 12 students are expected to attend, in full formal uniform, ties and blazers, and sit together in the section designated for Year 11 and 12 students only. Other year levels may sit with their parents. All parents and friends are invited to share in this significant occasion which recognises our students’ achievements over the year.
GRADUATION SERVICE

Friday November 21 at 9.30am in Citipointe Auditorium

This is a most important day, being the exit day for Year 12s. The service is only open to Year 12 graduands and their immediate families. Students are to wear formal uniform, including blazers and ties. Siblings of graduands are permitted to leave lessons and attend the Graduation, only if a parent letter is submitted to their Head of Year by Wednesday November 19.

SENIOR FORMAL CELEBRATION

Friday November 21

This is the culmination of celebrations for our Year 12s who are transformed into beautiful young women and handsome young men as they attend the most important party of the year.

LAST DAYS PROGRAM

Thursday November 27

For the past few years, our Year 10 and 11 students have given their time and effort to various charity organisations in an outreach program for this day. Miss Irons, our Christian Studies Coordinator, arranges the day and charities such as the Salvation Army, Vinnies, Samaritan’s Purse, welcome our students and appreciate greatly the work our students complete for them, in preparing for their busy Christmas season. Students are joined in their efforts by our supervising teachers.

YEAR 7-11 EXIT

Thursday November 27

This is the final day for all Secondary students who will finish the day at 3.20pm. The College anticipates that these celebrations will be a fitting conclusion to all the hard work, late nights and stress, as well as all the good times, experienced by our students and by you, their parents. I sincerely look forward to seeing you at some of these important events in the life of the College.

Helen Moore BA ATCL LTCL MACEL AFAIM
Head of Secondary
In October Citipointe hosted our inaugural Secondary Science Evening where we had the opportunity to showcase our past and present students’ achievements and accomplishments. We also took a glimpse at all the activities offered by the Science Department.

Our riveting guest speakers were alumni Katie Lane (Class of 2009) and Samuel Tan (Class of 2013).

Katie graduated with a tertiary entrance OP 2 and has completed her degree in Biomedical Science majoring in Neuroscience with Honours in Immunology. She received the School of Biomedical Science Bursary for research and the Asthma foundation Honours Bursary in 2013. Katie has been accepted into the Griffith University Medical School for 2015.

Sam graduated from Citipointe in 2013 and received the Headmaster’s Award for Dux of College (Secondary), The University of Queensland School Prize for consistent academic excellence as well as the Australian Government Student Prize for 2013. He is currently completing a Bachelor of Science as part of the Provisional Entry for school leavers into Medicine as well as the Advanced Study Program in Science course.

They both reiterated the importance of being part of a team where research was involved; whether as a chemist, biologist or mathematician - research does not happen in isolation.

Mrs Natasha Parsons
Convenor
During October three busloads of the Year 11 Biology students embarked on their journey to Camp Mudjimba in their quest to learn more about the environment and its patterns. Led by our class teachers, and with help from Mrs Mills and Mrs Passmore, the days included field studies, note-taking and awesome times at the beach (and in the surf). The nights included a campfire and a generally fun and chill time after days spent working in the sun and sand. The days away were a successful combination of education, work, rest and play.

Miranda Phillips
Year 11 Student
Transit Lounge a musical by former staff member Josh McIntosh, was presented by the Nova classes at the end of October, to large and enthusiastic audiences. The show focused on four main characters, played by Henk Ten Cate, Hannah White, PJ Priess and Gabby Parkin, and their daily struggles. The Biblical perspective was then presented and the way to redemption was shown for each character. The leads were supported by a talented and energetic cast in true ensemble form. The Nova students demonstrated their juggling and stilt walking skills along with their well developed singing, dancing and acting talents. Congratulations to the cast, crew, Mrs Thompson and all the supporting staff on an excellent production.

Mrs Samantha Couchman
Head of Arts
Music @ Twilight

This annual event, which is always overwhelmingly supported by our Community, was again an outstanding evening of music presented by students in Primary and Secondary. Choirs, Bands and String ensembles provided excellent entertainment to the many families and friends who supported the event.

The Hospitality Department provided a wonderful selection of hot food for purchase by the audience and performers and contributed greatly to the success of the event.

Thank you to all Directors for preparing your Ensembles for this successful event, to the Hospitality Department for the wonderful food and to the parents and friends who supported the students and staff by providing an audience.

Mrs Desley Herschell  
Director of Performance
Ensembles continue to win awards!

The following Ensembles were involved in the recent Queensland Festival of Music which is the largest of its kind in Queensland. Their performances were at the high standard we have come to expect and the students represented our College with pride. The results speak for themselves.

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Congratulations to all students for working so well in your Ensembles, to the Ensemble Directors for your dedication, motivation and enthusiasm and to all the parents for your continued support and encouragement.

Mrs Desley Herschell
Director of Performance
Citipointe Football

In the past 18 months since arriving at Citipointe Christian College I have felt welcomed by the school body generally and in particular, the Football community within the school. This year, we have focused on developing core values that Citipointe Christian College Football program can have as its foundation, together with a vision for the future that both players and coaches are excited about.

The three core values of Citipointe Christian College Football are: excellence in all we do, commitment to our team mates and the program, and mateship. From these core values the coaches have encouraged their teams to give 100% in all they do, from training sessions to opposition matches, to top of the table clashes; our team values remain the same. Coaches have insisted on 100% commitment to the team and a sense of mateship in communication if they have to miss a session. As a result, our program has gone from strength to strength in 2014.

Our open boys 1st XI finished their season strongly finishing equal on points at the top of the table in the Inter Collegiate Sports competition. Unfortunately on goal difference they had to settle for 2nd place. Our senior program grew to include an open girls 1st XI team which we hope to develop further next year. They enjoyed their matches and trained with enthusiasm.

Our Junior boys and girls 1st XI both won their divisions in the Inter Collegiate Sports Competition which was just reward for several months of hard training. Our junior girls also finished 2nd in the Brisbane Christian Schools Competition which topped off a sensational season for our Junior Footballers.

Ben Innes
Football Coordinator
Junior 1st XI coach

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Queensland Junior Schools Cup Volleyball Results

These championships were held mid October at a number of venues including Citipointe. The College entered 8 teams comprised of 75 students.

Six staff (Mr Wayne Cobb, Mr Justin Chan, Mrs Heather Costello, Mr Marius Muller, Mr Chris Paten and Mr Rodney Webb) were involved; three Citipointe alumni coaches (Mr David-Paul Parsons, Ms Elizabeth Crawford, Ms Karlee Pennisi) with one senior student coaching (Ms Sherisa Pillay)

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Secondary Sport
From the Head of Primary

Citipointe Culture

A culture is a way of life for a group of people – the behaviours, beliefs, values, and symbols that they accept and that are passed along by communication and imitation from one generation to the next.

What culture do we wish to continue to deliberately develop at Citipointe?

C: Christ-centred
U: United
L: Love
T: Teaching
U: Undertaking
R: Relationships
E: Excellence

C: Christ-centred. This is still true to our 36 year old foundations and the reason for which Citipointe Christian College, The Christian Outreach College was instituted. A unique education that combines the pursuit of excellence with a genuine Christian perspective. The challenge, in our increasingly pluralistic society that espouses relativistic values, is to maintain our commitment as an organisation and as individuals to our Christ-centred vision, mission and values.

U: United. Successful schooling has always required an effective partnership based on trust. Teachers are experts in education and parents are experts on their children. We each accept our sphere of responsibility and authority, remembering our boundaries and limitations but collaborating effectively in the mutual education of our students through appropriate communication and understanding. We are united by the same goal – a desire to see every student grow in God, love learning and be excited by what the future may hold as they develop the gifts and talents they have been endowed with.

L: Love. The glue that binds disparate entities through many years. The love that parents and teachers have for our students. The love our staff have for the high calling of ministry in Christian education. Left to ourselves our love is depleted by the challenges we face and our selfish natures. Hence our dependency on the everlasting love of God which fuels and enables our love of mankind. 1 Corinthians 13 - 4 Love is patient and kind; it is not jealous or conceited or proud; 5 love is not ill-mannered or selfish or irritable; love does not keep a record of wrongs; 6 love is not happy with evil, but is happy with the truth. 7 Love never gives up; and its faith, hope, and patience never fail. 

T: Teaching. Our core business has at its foundation, a commitment to educating the whole person. There is no separation of spirit, mind and body with only certain elements ministered to and others left unregarded. As whole beings, we need opportunities to develop the mind through academic studies. The social/emotional, nurtured with each

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person valued and respected as an individual, created in the image of God. Gifts and talents encouraged through experiences in Sport, the Arts and academic extension activities. Support for those who are challenged by academic requirements is essential.

**U: Undertaking.** Education is a long term commitment with the fruits of our labour not quickly seen. We need the encouragement from Galatians 6:9, ‘to not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.’ Educating the whole person sees personal values and standards embedded within our students, a storehouse of knowledge that influences their decision making for a lifetime. Resilience to rise above the challenges we face, enables students, parents and staff to maintain their commitment to Christian education.

**R: Relationships.** In our caring environment we see pastoral as a robust concept. We care enough to be bothered about the little things – manners, adherence to uniform requirements, punctuality. We care enough to lovingly confront, to spur our students on to give of their best, to enable and develop our staff as professionals and to work collaboratively with our parents. We care enough to keep short accounts in our relationships and to be solutions oriented rather than problem focused. All this requires effort and commitment so that we care enough to stay the course.

**E: Excellence.** The concept of personal best is applicable to every area in education at Citipointe. The measure of success is degree of improvement not just in results but in attitude, in effort, in resilience, in maturity, in spiritual growth. Excellence is achieved through commitment by all the individuals in the organisation to each do their part to the best of their ability.

**Why?**
And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance, for you serve the Lord Christ. Colossians 3:23, 24.

Mrs Ruth Gravestein
Head of Primary
An About Face

The theme for the National History Challenge in 2014 was “Changing Perspectives”. The Australian research-based competition required students to consider how perspectives of events and people can change over time. This challenge resonated with some of our primary students, and we were fascinated when reading our students’ essays across a variety of historical events, from dinosaurs to war.

We are very proud of Anna Egan, a Year 6 student who was declared the State winner for the category of Australia’s Wartime Experiences. In conducting her research, Anna had the privilege of spending time with her grandfather, a returned soldier from the Vietnam War. She set out to “see how the public’s perspective has changed over time, did these perspectives influence future decisions, and did the public really know what the soldiers went through.”

On her experience with the competition, Anna comments that “It was a privilege to share my grandfather’s time in Vietnam. I thought it is a great historical topic to research and share. NHC is a great forum to tell these stories before they are lost. To win a state category was totally unexpected!

I would love to take this time to say thank you to Mrs Moriarty and CCC for giving me such an opportunity.”

Anna was presented with her award at the MacArthur Museum.

Mrs Georgie Moriarty
Coordinator Learning Extension – Primary
Following the success of his earlier scientific investigation into the aerodynamics of paper planes, Owen Xie in Year 5 further explored this topic for the Science Teachers’ Association of Queensland Science Contest. This was the first time Citipointe Christian College had been involved with this competition and students enjoyed the opportunity to explore a topic of personal interest within one of the following categories: Scientific Investigations, Engineering and Technology projects, Classified Collections, Communicating Science, Environmental Action Projects, and Mathematical Investigations.

Owen entered the Scientific Investigations category with his project "The Aerodynamics of Paper Aeroplanes". Throughout the process, he refined his scientific investigative skills, as he was required to include information about his question, hypothesis, materials, procedure, determination of variables to control, fair testing steps, results, observation, measurements, discussion and conclusion. Throughout the study, he was also required to keep a reflective journal to track his observations and thoughts.

We were very pleased when Owen placed second in his age group for his investigation, and he was presented with his award at the University of Queensland in October.

Mrs Georgie Moriarty
Coordinator Learning Extension – Primary
Primary Boys Win Top Mathematics Awards

Students from the top Mathematics classes from Years 3-6 sat the Australian Mathematics Competition, which is sponsored by the Australian Mathematics Trust and the Commonwealth Bank. Three of those students, who also participate in the Mathinstrumentals Extension Program, were awarded Prizes for receiving outstanding scores that ranked them on the 100th percentile for their grade in Australia. These students are as follows:

Christian Van Mello - Year 3
Sean Gao - Year 4
Brian Choi - Year 6

Brian also received the Prudence Award for being the Citipointe student who scored the most number of consecutive correct answers starting from question one. In fact, Brian answered all 30 questions correctly on this challenging Mathematics paper, except for question 30. Congratulations Christian, Sean and Brian for these excellent results and for representing your school with honour.

Mrs Janet Lane
Primary Extension Teacher
Year 2 Visit Brisbane Science Centre

Oh what fun we had on our excursion,
All of Year 2 on buses we travelled,
To learn wonderful lessons,
yes I'm certain,
Further understanding of our unit “Pushes and Pulls”.
We saw a ball hovering high in mid-air,
Some of us sat on a giant’s chair,
Tried to find the identity of “The Hardware Thief”,
And observed amazing wonders, some beyond belief.
Learning and fun was had by all,
So glad we escaped the life-sized dinosaur,
Can’t wait for the next excursion we’ll see,
I wonder, please tell, where will it be?

Mr Osypiv
Year 2 Teacher
Citipointe seedlings

Mrs Krumenacher presenting a cheque for $1,000 to Mrs Leanne Burton coordinator of Citipointe Seedlings
On Grandparents day it was delightful to see so many Grandparents and family members visit the Primary Art room to view the wonderful work on display. The art room was turned into a mini Art Gallery.

Our visitors appreciated the efforts of the Years 2 to 6 students.

Mrs Natasha Fitzgerald
Primary Art Teacher
The 2014 Track and Field season commenced with the Years 4-6 Inter house Athletics Carnival on a fine winter’s day. The favourable conditions provided the ideal backdrop for a hotly contested championship, with each house captain spurring their team members on to give their best. Displays of athleticism and sportsmanship were eagerly anticipated by all and none were left disappointed as the excitement and outstanding performances increased across the two days of competition. Several students set personal bests as they competed for Age Champion points and for the pride of their House team, with records falling by the wayside as our athletes pushed their bodies to the limits. The Encouragement trophy was awarded to Ephraim House whose boisterous cheering and exuberance was a highlight throughout the contest. Asher was crowned 2014 Champions with the minor placings being awarded to Ephraim, Judah, and Levi in second, third, and fourth respectively. Individual brilliance was rewarded with Age Champion medallions being won by:

- **8 Year Old – Eva Hanna, Olivia Garcia, Lauren Brasell**
- **8 Year Old – William O’Sullivan, Lachlan Newberry, Jake Nel**
- **9 Year Old – Grace Foreman, Estanoa Faitala, Lucy Milne**
- **9 Year Old – Zach Picton, Isaiah Riquelme, Joshua Walker**

A sincere thanks to the parents and friends who assisted in the many and varied officiating positions across the two days, working alongside teachers to ensure events ran smoothly and to schedule.

## Mt Gravatt District Athletics Carnival

Citipointe took a team of talented athletes to compete in the Mt Gravatt District Athletic Carnival, which serves as the avenue whereby students can participate in selection trials for the honour of representing the Mt Gravatt District. Our students travelled to the Queensland Sport and Athletics Centre with aspirations of reproducing personal bests in a bid to wear the District colours. The events on offer across the two days included Long Jump, High Jump, Shot Put, Discus, 100m, 200m, and 800m. Citipointe was prominent in the finals of each event and an amazing 22 Citipointe students were selected as part of the District team in 39 events after placing in the top 6 qualifiers for their events respectively. This was the highest number of representatives from an individual school and spoke volumes of the strength of the Citipointe team. Congratulations to the following students selected in the District team to compete at the Metropolitan East Trials:

- Shanae Brown (LJ), Hannah Buchanan (800, LJ), Jessica Buchanan (HJ), Dallas Cairns (800), Toby Cairns (LJ), Chris Choi (100, 200, LJ), Bailey Coleman (DI, SP, HJ), Jesse Coleman (800), Genyr Diaz (100,200), Tiaan Du Plessis (200), Ryan Elliot (100, 200, LJ, HJ, Tetrathlon), Antioch Faitala (100,200), Stella Guyatt (200), Josh Hendry (Tetrathlon), Briana Hindemith (LJ, HJ, DI, Tetrathlon), Paul Hubbard (100, DI, Tetrathlon), Wian Joubert (SP, Tetrathlon), Stephan Marais (HJ), Heinz Muller (DI), Jaewon Lee (DI), Matthew O’Sullivan (800), Caleb Sala (DI).
The following students also performed exceptionally at the District trials and placed in the top 6 of their respective events but just missed out on satisfying the qualifying standards for selection:

Jazmine Booth (SP-5th), Samuel Hanna (SP-5th), Christabel Huang (SP 6th), Keely Jones (SP- 6th), Jasmine Morrison (4th), Caleb Sala (2nd), and Sophia Smaha (SP-6th)

These outstanding performances elevated Citipointe to second on the Overall Points table. This was a commendable result especially considering that Citipointe was unable to nominate its 13 year old athletes unlike other competing schools, in accordance with Metropolitan East policies for 2014. This achievement is one that each team member can be proud of.

Well done team on “pressing towards the goal”!

Metropolitan East Athletics Trials

22 is the largest contingent of Citipointe athletes that the Mt Gravatt District has ever taken to the Metropolitan East trials. Such a large representation ensured that at any point of the Met East trials, there was a Citipointe student competing in at least one of the many events being conducted over the two days. This college representation highlighted the effectiveness of our school training programs and served as an encouragement to our students who had committed hours to the many training sessions leading up to competition. Our athletes proved to be formidable competition to their Regional counterparts with many distinguished performances adding to the exceptional standard that is customary at the Regional level. With determination, many of our students set new personal bests as they strove to earn a place in the Met East team. Over the two days of competition the following students produced performances that earned them a place in the Met East team:

Chris Choi (100m, 4x100m, LJ), Bailey Coleman (HJ), Genyr Diaz (100m, 4x100m), Ryan Elliot (100m, 4x100m), and Wian Joubert (Tetrathlon).

Congratulations to each student who competed with such high distinction!

Christian Schools Sports Association (CSSA) Athletics Carnival

The CSSA Athletics Carnival offers a high level Track and Field competition with a schedule boasting five events in total – 100m, 200m, 800m, Shot Put, Long Jump and the 4x100m relay.

Our team competed admirably across the day’s events and showed great team spirit as they donned the College jersey and strove to give their utmost in the navy and gold.

Strong individual performances were displayed by Hannah Buchanan (800m – 3rd), Toby Cairns (LJ – 3rd), Chris Choi (100m – 2nd, 200m – 3rd, LJ – 1st), Bailey Coleman (SP – 2nd), Jesse Coleman (800m – 2nd), Genyr Diaz (100m – 1st, 200m – 1st), Ryan Elliot (100m – 1st, 200m – 1st), Estanoa Faitala (SP – 2nd), Grace Foreman (800m – 3rd), Briana Hindemith (LI – 3rd), Matthew O’Sullivan (800m – 3rd), and Isaiah Riquelme (SP – 3rd).

Second Age Champion medallions were awarded to Chris Choi (10 year old boy) and Briana Hindemith (12 year old girl).

Congratulations to each member of the team for a commendable effort and being awarded second place on Overall Points.

Set no limits (Philippians 4:13)

Mr Jay Pearson
Head of HPE and Sport – Primary
Citipointe’s Star Quartet

It is important that we highlight the significant achievements of four young men who have trained extremely hard over the past year. Wian Joubert, Genyr Diaz, Ryan Elliot and Chris Choi all recorded incredible results during the 2014 Queensland State Athletics Championships. Joubert took part in the tetrathalon which is comprised of the 100m, 800m, Long Jump and Shot Put. He placed 8th overall and had a personal best in the 800m. In addition, and not deterring from athletics, Wian was selected as Captain of the Under 12 Rugby union Mount Gravatt team and Vice-Captain of the Met East Under 12 Rugby Union team. The Met East Team won the State Championship convincingly and Wian was selected as the Player of the Tournament. Wian has been chosen to represent Brisbane as part of a Barbarians Composite team to tour New Zealand in April 2016 organised by the International Rugby Academy New Zealand.

Genyr Diaz also represented the Metropolitan East team at the State Championships and was able to make the semi-final of the 100m event with a time of 13.09, his personal best is 12.94 and as a 12 year old would run faster than most adults.

Ryan Elliot and Chris Choi are both 10 year old competitors and in their inaugural representative year achieved incredible success. At the state meeting Ryan placed 8th in the 100m with a time of 13.97, this coupled with his achievements in cycling (refer to the last edition of the school news) accentuates his dual athleticism. Chris went one step further by winning the boys long jump with an amazing leap of 4.69m. He will now compete at the National Championships, a privilege that only a few share. Chris also competed in the 100m heat with a commendable time of 14.00 seconds. We hope and pray he is able to continue to excel at the upcoming championships.

These students strive to represent Citipointe with their best effort.

Mr Dean Le Petit
Primary HPE Teacher
Recently the International College underwent a stringent examination of its processes by Quality Assurance experts from NEAS, the National English Language Teaching Accreditation Scheme.

NEAS Quality Endorsement is the highest level of quality assurance in Australia. The International College was found to be running a quality operation in all areas:

- Teaching, learning and assessment
- The student experience
- Resources and facilities
- Administration, management and staffing
- Promotion and student recruitment

The review process involved NEAS personnel interviewing groups of students, teachers and administration staff. It also involved a campus tour and extended discussions with me about all aspects of the International College’s operation.

The Quality Review report identified the following particular areas of strength (quoted largely from the report):

- The school has done an outstanding job of leveraging off a local community to provide a quality experience for students. More than this, however, international education, including the International College, is an integral aspect of the school, having been introduced with the explicit aim of widening the horizons of the school and its students. A school culture has developed where local students have intrinsic motivation to engage with overseas students, including those in the International College. Student wellbeing and welfare is integrated organically into all aspects of the student experience.

  - Homestay families have connections with the school and/or its church community and are expected to be closely involved with students.

  - Opportunities to practise English outside of class are thus centred on homestay families and/or church youth organisations rather than being organised directly by the school. The impact on language learning is such that students living with relatives not infrequently ask to move into homestay.

  - Class teachers are expected to take responsibility for students “as if they were your own sons and daughters” and closely monitor attendance and welfare, with professional backup if needed. The 100% attendance policy and dual use of class rolls to monitor behaviour enable the school to identify problems as soon as they arise.
Integration strategies include common break time areas, common sport and chapel activities, the “Australian friend” program, and five periods a week of mainstream lessons for students in the term prior to moving to high school.

The syllabus is currently undergoing major review. The centre is developing a fully electronic course and is also conducting a long term research project into the use of music in English teaching. Monitoring of student results in high school impacts on curriculum and exit levels.

Premises are exceptional, with attractive and spacious grounds. Classrooms are attractive and well appointed, and chairs specifically accommodate kinaesthetic learners.

Staff are clearly deeply committed and contribute to building the centre’s reputation in “absolutely everything we do” and most have family connections with the school. “It’s an environment where you can bring change . . . It’s wonderful to work in a place where things can happen and people are positive.” Close relationships are also maintained with education agents.

It was very gratifying indeed to read this report and know that an outside agency has assessed the work of the International College so highly. We give glory to our wonderful Lord who has provided everything we need to do the work he has called us to: excellent teachers, world-class facilities, a wonderful homestay coordinator and outstanding homestay families, the love and support of the wider school and church community and the wisdom and steady guidance of our beloved Headmaster and Business Manager.

Dr Lillian Myers
Head of International

We invite YOU to open your heart and your home to an international student who has been carefully selected to study at Citipointe Christian College International.

Students will need their own room, all meals, supervision and a welcoming Christian family. Supervision involves taking care of the student in the evenings and on weekends, taking them to church with you and including them in all your normal family activities.

Remuneration is $1050 per month

ASK OUR HOMESTAY COORDINATOR FOR AN APPLICATION FORM
Mrs Thia Ferero on 0412 304 375
or email: thiaf@brisbane.coc.edu.au
Students have much to look forward to when they are going up into a new level of schooling. But there are also worries. At all levels getting lost and making new friends are big issues. By talking about worries, visiting the new school, checking up during the first few weeks and talking with the school staff, parents can help the change go smoothly and help turn anxiety into confidence.

**Entering elementary school:**
- Being away from parents
- Learning to sit still and listen to teachers
- Making new friends
- Learning and following school procedures

**Entering middle school:**
- Peer issues and peer pressure
- Adjusting to multiple teachers
- Opening lockers
- Managing time
- Finding their way to classes
- Organisation

**Entering high school:**
- Homework
- Peer issues and peer pressure
- Finding way to classes
- How to manoeuvre lunch time/ accompanying social issues
- Post-secondary planning
- Extracurricular activities and choices
- Opening lockers
- How to access schoolservices (nurse, guidance counsellor, administrators)

**Acknowledgement:** “What Do Students Entering Your School Seem to Worry About or Struggle With Most?” in ASCA School Counselor, May/June 2014
What should parents do when their child is accused by another parent of being a bully?

The first step is always to work closely with us at school. We are experienced in working with students and helping them manage their behaviour.

What can you do?

• Take a deep breath. It's normal to experience a mixture of shame, denial, panic and defensiveness. Remember this is a description of behaviour that your child is exhibiting today, it is not who they are in their entirety, nor who they will be forever, if you respond and get help.

• Focus on staying calm and listening to what's being said. If the other parent is upset, assure them that you're writing down the details so you’ll remember them correctly. If tempers boil over, say you’ll phone back later.

• Take time to process the information. Once you have the information, take time for yourself to process how it makes you feel, so that when you approach your child, you are calm and in control of your own emotions.

• Talk with your child. The goal is to get the facts – a calm, non-judgmental discovery process. Do you know what they are talking about? What happened? Is any of it true? Stay calm and make it safe for your child to tell the whole story. Explain that whatever happened, you are going to help resolve the situation.

• Be the grown-up. “Can you help me see why the other kid sees it their way?” you might ask. “How would you feel if he did that to you?” Try to understand the antecedents – insecurity, anger, teasing, peer dynamics, or something going on at home.

• Teach your child responsibility. Even if your child swears the other child started it, they are responsible for owning their contribution. Let your child know you are going to make sure it doesn’t continue. Help your child make amends, (often best done with the school counsellor). The school can be of help here as problems rarely happen in isolation and may have already surfaced at school.

• Give your child social-emotional tools. Teach face-saving ways to deal with conflict and how to avoid escalating drama, like walk away, tell a teacher.

• Get help. This should include contacting the school or, in serious cases, getting a professional evaluation of the child to identify possible anxiety, depression or inability to read social cues.

• Support growth and change. The best message, is that life is full of opportunities to reinvent ourselves if we are willing to do the hard work of owning our mistakes, understanding the feelings and behaviours involved and getting new strategies for developing new and better behaviours.

The most important thing is to be honest, responsive, and accountable.

All Secondary students are reminded to return all textbooks and any other books that belong to the school before the end of Term 4 to avoid a fine being added to your school account for any outstanding books. Students can obtain a list of books still outstanding for 2014 from the Secondary Resource Centre if required.

Lockers must be fully emptied in the last week of school, ready for the new school year.

We encourage all students to pick up their textbooks before school starts in 2015. This prevents major queues in the first week back at school. The Secondary Resource Centre is open on the following dates for 2015.

Tuesday 13 – Friday 16 January 2015: 9.30am – 3.30pm
(Please note that we are closed on Monday 12th this week)

Monday 19 – Friday 23 January 2015: 9.30am – 3.30pm
Closed for lunch each day: 12.30pm – 1.00pm

Mrs Christine Boerdam and Mrs Melissa Moore
Secondary Resource Centre Managers

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A note from the Registrar’s desk

Parents should have already advised the College in writing if their student(s) will not be returning next year, as planning for classes is already in place for next year.

Mrs Sue Moore
Registrar

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The School Seconds website has had over 350 searches from Citipointe families who are looking to purchase second hand uniforms plus musical and sporting equipment. Please list your items at school seconds and have them sold quickly.

Please note: do not list any items with the old school crest as this has reached the expiry date for uniform guidelines.
GAIL GOBEY

I am delighted to have moved into the area as a Licensed Sales Agent with McGrath Estate Agents covering the Brisbane Bayside region, and proud to be part of the College’s Corporate Alliance by way of giving the College a $500 cash ‘thank you’ for any properties sold for the Citipointe community.

As an experienced agent I would like to share with you why I chose McGrath Estate Agents and how I can assist you. On a personal and professional level there are many reasons, but most of all, the benefits for my clients throughout the transaction is paramount. Along with the brand whose reputation is unrivalled, I personally have over twenty five years marketing experience achieving multiple Housing Industry Association Awards, which has complemented my success in achieving top prices for my clients. You can trust that I will bring a fresh approach to selling real estate in your area and promise you the highest level of service.

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