PERFORMING ARTS UPDATE

The Performing Arts at St Francis has had yet another success over the school holidays with our hip-hop crew taking out 2nd place in the House of Champions (HOC) Dance Competition. St Francis was up against a lot of well-established schools with highly regarded dance programmes, eleven schools in total, including Ipswich SHS, Woodridge SHS, Marden SHS and Cavendish Rd SHS, to take out runners-up overall for the schools section. The final scores were:

1st - Marsden 336
2nd- St Francis 334
3rd - Woodridge 306
4th - Cavendish 304
5th - Wynnum 273
6th - Morayfield 265
7th - Ipswich 258.5
8th - Beenleigh 255
9th - Kingston 242
10th - Browns Plains
11th - Upper Coomera

A big thank you to our choreographers for this year, Justyce Neho-Petelo (Dance Captain -Y12), Agum Ador (Y12), Lawrissa Fuamata (Y9), Tailah Kepu (Y10), Sophia Alanoa (Y12) and Ben Tovale (Y10). We are so blessed to have such talented students who continue to develop and support each other as choreographers, performers and leaders.

Also a huge thank you to Ms Cher Williams and Ms Melissa Simpson for their tireless support of HOC 2013, giving up Saturdays and holidays to come in and help with the crew; the Performing Arts department is so lucky to have such talented, patient and supportive staff. Also thank you to Desiree Kele and Diane Nansen for organising the shirts through Jetts Printing, Frank from Upton,s Camping for helping to source the striking skycam pants and June Ioane-Brown for supporting us with the students.

Last, but by no means least, I would like to thank the crew, for their discipline, commitment and passion for dance. Your hard work and efforts have paid off and you should be so proud of what you have achieved. The final crew for 2013 included: Jacob Murray, Huawai Topia, Joyce Ioremia, Bubba Tou, Sophia Alanoa, Justyce Neho-Petelo, Desiree Kele, Agum Ador, Malia Mikaele, Tailah Kepu, Whetu Kiwi Kiwi, Ellie Terry, Sarayah Tosusu, Tameca Carberry, Oriana Ikitau, Brooke Silva, Cassie Warner, Onitam Kepu, Francesca Silva, Filinia Fruean, Harmony Niha, Rosemary Tolepai, Cherish Tipene, Rayray Tipene, Dejan Faimalo, Anthony Iosefo, Saint Clarke, Niu Clarke, Lawrissa

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What an amazing opportunity the Junior Dance squad were a part of during the school holidays! The House of Champions Hip Hop competition greeted us with a giant stage, performance lighting, costumes and a crowd of 300+ people to cheer us on as we competed against 9 other dance crews in the Junior champions section. We went there to do our absolute best performance and represent our school, parents and dance teachers Miss Carey and Miss Kirkman. There are no other words to describe the kids performance other than AMAZING and the cheer from the crowd at the end proved that. They worked so hard every week preparing for the event and as someone commented ‘it didn’t matter if they didn’t win because just participating in the competition makes them champions in our eyes’. Congratulations to all that were involved in providing this opportunity for our kids and those who came and supported on the night. To the dance squad you made everyone very proud, congratulations!

Miss Carey
and
Miss Kirkman

Congratulations to our amazing dance crew!