

## FROM THE DEPUTY'S DESK

### Subject Selection Evening for Year 8 and 10

This evening will be held on **Wednesday 14 May** at the Performance Centre Dance Area. It is designed to help students make choices about electives for semester 2 this year.

The Year 8 session will run from 6:30-7:30 pm with an information session about the selection of 4 electives, followed by time to ask teachers about subjects. Students must select at least 1 subject from the Arts and 1 from Technology.



The Year 10 session will run from 7:30-8:30 pm and students will be choosing 4 electives as senior preparation subjects plus an English and Maths. We look forward to your attendance. Further information will be provided next week.

### Is your child finishing Year 12 in 2008 or 2009?

Did your child achieve a result for studies in 2006 or 2007 for music, drama, singing, dance or sports officiating in 2006 or 2007? Examples include Trinity College London (TCL), Swimming Queensland, Royal Academy of Dance (RAD), Queensland Rugby Union, Commonwealth Society of Teachers of Dance (CommDance), Australian Music Examination Board (AMEB) just to name a few.

If so, this result may be eligible for credit towards your Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE). To find out, check the subject lists available online at <http://www.qsa.qld.edu.au/certificates/1083.html>. If you find the achievement on one of these lists take your award or certificate to the office and ask for it to be recorded in the QSA Student Data Capture System (SDCS) **before Friday 30 May 2008**. This applies to eligible QCE candidates with 2006 and 2007 results only. Other arrangements have been made for recording of 2008 results. For more information see Miss Rimmer, Deputy Principal, or contact QSA Recognition Unit on 3864 0321.

### Important Dates.....

#### Student Free Day

We have a Concessional Student Free Day which will be held next **Tuesday 6 May**. A reminder that **Port Curtis Cross Country** is still being run that day and participants are to meet at Gladstone Golf Course at 12:30 pm to compete.

#### Student Parent Teacher Conferencing

Term 1 student report cards were issued last Monday 28 April. Conferencing will be held on **Wednesday 7 May** between 3:30 – 6:30 pm. As advised earlier by separate flier, parents can make interview times with teachers by phoning 4979 9745 during office hours. This must be done this week. We look forward to seeing you and your child to discuss his or her progress.

### Yvette Rimmer

## ANZAC PARADE



Jason Smith and Hayden James sang 'Advance Australia Fair' and 'God Defend New Zealand'. Ben Fischer addressed the parade on behalf the Boyne and Tannum RSL and laid wreaths, along with Mayor Creed and Mrs Cunningham. Our thanks to 124 Army Cadet Unit for its attendance.

## ANZAC PARADE

### Josh Ward Playing 'The Last Post'



### Emma Bush gets ready to lower the flag



### Our Invited guests included Mayor Creed and Mrs Liz Cunningham



### Laying of the Wreaths



## INTRODUCING PETRA WHEELER OUR P&C PRESIDENT

Petra Wheeler is our newly elected P&C President. Petra originally hails from Albury-Wodonga and is a proud mother and grandmother of six! Her two youngest children attend Tannum Sands High.

Petra has been involved in P&C's all through her children's lives and is convinced it is the best way of finding out what is going on at school. She would like to urge parents to come along to the next P&C meeting on Thursday the 8<sup>th</sup> of May in the Resource Centre at 7.30 pm.

## INTERNATIONAL CAPERS

Hey guys, it's Melissa again.

How are you all? I have been great. The first half of my stay here is over now and I have to say it has been awesome. I have met so many people, and made a lot of friends. I have settled in really well, I think.

Easter is really enjoyable around here, and it was a very different experience to what I am used to. I went to the Harbour Festival on the Tuesday before Easter. I got to see a really great talent show, where I knew a few of the people on stage. For Easter I drove down to the Sunshine Coast with my host family. It was just great to see the high waves on the beach, and the different animals at Australia Zoo. I can promise you now, that I will never forget those four days.

So much has happened in the last three months, and I hope that the next three months will be as good as the first, that every school day will be cheered up by friends, teachers and the sunny sky (at least most of the time).

Thank you for everything, and I am glad I came here and not to any other place in the world.

## CAN WE CONTACT YOU IN AN EMERGENCY?

Our office staff have come across a few instances where parents/guardians have changed address or contact details have changed. If we have an emergency or illness and need to make contact in a hurry, it is vital that we have correct details on the school system. If you have moved or had any change in contact details, please telephone the Administration staff on 4979 9777 and the appropriate form will be posted to you for completion. Alternatively call into Administration between 8am and 4pm, or have the student call in and collect one.



## YEAR 12 STUDENTS (6TH-9TH MAY)

During this week there is a number of activities involving the Year 12 students. This week sees students going on the North West excursion, Nara Resort excursion, Brisbane University excursion and work placement for students studying VET courses. Any students *not* involved in these activities must attend school as normal, and any absences must be explained. Students involved with off-campus learning e.g. GSESC, BITS Centre and TAFE, will continue to go to these as normal. If you cannot attend due to an excursion or work placement, you must inform your trainer as soon as possible. *For more information please contact Todd Comrie.*

## ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY WEBSITE LAUNCH

The Navy launched a new website recently, which is an outstanding career tool for Year 12 students. The website contains webisodes of the training program for Officer Entry into the Royal Australian Navy. It provides an in depth exposure to the New Entry Officer Course at HMAS Cresswell.

To have a look at this new website, go to [www.defencejobs.gov.au/navy/training/NEOC38](http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/navy/training/NEOC38)

**Industry Blue Card course at school** Our next blue card course is on 14th May. Students require this card to enter construction sites. Any student wanting to do work experience in a construction area must have this qualification before their application will be accepted. Students must pay \$35 at the office and it is a first in first served basis. The course is run during school time, at the school.

**QCS Test Community Reps. Required** We invite members of the community to apply for the position of chief community representative or community representative at test centre for the Queensland Core Skills (QCS) Test, to be held over two days - Tue. 2nd and Wed. 3rd Sept. These are paid positions and representatives are required to assist with the supervision of the QCS Test on the two days and must witness the delivery of test materials on designated days prior to the test. Interested persons please contact Todd Comrie for an application form or go to the Community Representatives section online <http://www.qsa.qld.edu.au/assessment/2324.html>. There are three positions and successful applicants will most likely be placed at Gladstone schools (not Tannum Sands SHS). Applications close Friday 16th May.

## BSL ZENITH – OUR GIFTED PROGRAM



**182 Passports (2008)**

## CENTRAL QLD UNIVERSITY VIDEO PRESENTATIONS FROM THE COMPUTER HISTORY MUSEUM

These video presentations cover a diverse range of topics, including super computing, storage, graphics, animation, sound, venture capital, CPU, games, programming languages, networks, internet, encryption etc. The videos are not full of technical jargon, but are rather a "fun trip back through history" to see how things were and compare this to where things are now.

The presentations will occur every second Friday from 3pm to 7pm in the Leo Zussino Building, Gladstone Campus in Room 3/G.27. Contact Tracy Buchanan on 4970 7398 or visit [www.infocom.cqu.edu.au/Staff/Michael\\_O\\_malley/Computer\\_Pioneers/index.html](http://www.infocom.cqu.edu.au/Staff/Michael_O_malley/Computer_Pioneers/index.html)

## NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE FORUM (NYSF) – Nominations close 15<sup>th</sup> May 2008

The Forum will be hosted by the Australian National University in Canberra during January 2009. Over 12 days, students can essentially learn first hand what University life is like and test-drive various career options in the sciences and engineering. Nominations are for students who are in Year 11 this year (2008). Cost of attending is \$1830, but generous support towards this cost will be provided by Boyne-Tannum and Gladstone Sunrise Rotary clubs. (Monetary considerations should never be a reason for not applying!) See Mrs Cook or Mr Muller in Staffroom 1 or visit: [www.nysf.edu.au](http://www.nysf.edu.au)

**PLEASE NOTE** that an **updated** orange payment form for competitions, with registration dates adjusted, is now available at the front office. Please disregard the original purple payment form.



Business and IT Skills Centre

**BITS CENTRE - NEWSLETTER ARTICLE**

**Subject: Business Organisation and Management and Certificate II Accounting**

Hello my name is Kayla Brown and I'm studying Certificate II in Business, and I'm Ashley Parter and I'm also studying Certificate II in Business, and Business Organisation and Management at the Business and IT Skills Centre. We, along with four other volunteers from GAGAL and NRG, have been asked to be mentors at the leadership camp for Year 8 Indigenous students from all the local high schools. We are pictured here planning this event. We like being part of the BITS Centre programme

because we get to do a lot of team activities that give us the opportunity to see what it is like working in the real world. We would like to thank Kirsten Clark, from the Indigenous Employment



Group at the Boyne Smelter, for giving us the opportunity to be involved with this project.

**MY FAVOURITE TEACHER**

My Favourite Teacher is an opportunity to recognise and reward the commitment of Queensland state school teachers in making this the Smart State. This year students are encouraged to nominate a teacher who encourages them to be physically active as part of the [Year of Physical Activity](#). However, ANY teacher can be nominated. The 2008 winning favourite teachers will receive a Stefan gift pack valued at more than \$100 and a Year of Physical Activity pack.

Nominations close on Friday 2 May with Favourite Teachers announced during State Education Week from 26 to 30 May. Students can nominate by clicking the link on the [DETA website](#). Choose Education Views from the list of newspapers available.

[www.education.qld.gov.au/community/events/edweek/favteacher](http://www.education.qld.gov.au/community/events/edweek/favteacher)

**CAREERS NOTICEBOARD**



**School based apprenticeship with local plumber.**

Provide hand written cover letter and resume to: Boyne Tannum Plumbing, PO Box 3569, Tannum Sands, Q, 4680. Closing date 28th April.

**Vacancy - Full time**

Administration Officer (Junior) at VAJ Byrne & Co. Lawyers. Deliver in person a hand written cover letter and resume to their office at 69 Goondoon St., Gladstone. Check Saturday 12th April newspaper for details.

**Year 12 GAP Year as a volunteer**

Working on a project in the Americas, Europe, Africa, Asia or the Pacific. Applications close Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May. Go to [www.gapactivityprojects.org.au](http://www.gapactivityprojects.org.au) or see the careers board.

**Year 12 GAP Year with the Defence Force.**

Go to <http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/ADFGapYear/> or see the careers board.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**St Leo's is the Catholic Men's Residential College** set within the grounds of the University of Queensland, providing accommodation in 2009 for 215 young men, 95% of whom come from rural/regional Queensland and northern NSW. St Leo's usually has filled its enrolment by mid-October for the next year.

Conducted by the Christian Brothers, the College provides for individual living within a Catholic academic community. Life at St Leo's improves one's chances of success at University with costs comparing favourably to a rented house. With all meals catered, rooms cleaned weekly and tutorials provided in any subject required, a full sporting and cultural competition, the Leo's gym, a tennis/basketball court and free access for Leonians to the UQ Swimming Pool, Track & Field and Volleyball facilities, each resident is encouraged to study hard whilst enjoying himself in the young adult community of College life.

The College website [www.stleos.uq.edu.au](http://www.stleos.uq.edu.au) provides more detail and pictures.

**EVER WONDERED WHAT IT WOULD BE LIKE TO BE A RURAL FIRE FIGHTER?**

Community members are invited to come and see our Rural Fire Brigade members in action, Saturday and Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, at the Mt Larcom showgrounds. Events kick off at 8am. There will be presentations on bushfire awareness and preparedness, kitchen fire awareness as well as Little Squirt rides for the kids.

Come and support your local brigade as they compete against other brigades from the region.

**WHO'S WHO AT TANNUM HIGH**

I'm **Cathy Hogan**, and my exciting role at Tannum High is as Learning Support Teacher.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my five years at Tannum and have met some great people.

Defining moments include giving a speech on Parade about my time in Africa, where a male student came up to me afterwards and tapped his fist on his chest and said "I felt you, Miss". It was wonderful to feel the shared love and passion from staff and students.

One of Cathy's favourite memories is that of walking in the rain in Penang, listening to her mother sing off key. Other unknown facts about Cathy include her love of cheese and that she can paint portraits (of a special kind). She enjoys touch football, and was in the winning Grade B grand final.

Cathy lives everyday in the hope that she's becoming a better person in this ever changing world.



**FOR THE FRIDGE**

**MAY 2008**

Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Girls Futsal (Rockhampton)
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Boys Futsal (Rockhampton)
Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Tannum Primary Jubilee
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Labour Day Public Holiday
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Concessional Day (Student free day)

Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Student/Parent/Teacher Conferencing
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Aust Informatics Competition & PC Basketball
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Year 8/10 Subject Information Night
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	RTA Indigenous Year 8 Activity & Vicky Wilson Netball