

with Mr Ray Johnston

FROM  
THE  
PRINCIPAL

### Senior Mentors

Our school has *inclusive* student leadership, not an exclusive “prefect” system, so that ALL Senior students who wish to do so can become highly involved in leadership activities at our school. Year 11’s have been asked whether they want to apply for a Senior Mentor position. Senior Mentors have to show good *example* – in behaviour, presentation, attitude and work rate – and provide *active service* to the school e.g. assistance at dances, carnivals, working bees, committee work and so on. Applicants will undergo the first training and selection event next week. I have challenged the Class of 2009 to raise the bar on the typical 50-60% application rate of previous years. Those who make the cut – judged capable of making the required commitment – will be badged at our Term 3 Formal Assembly.

### Theatre Restaurant

Don’t forget to book tickets for Phantom of the Theatre... it will be a great show!

### Behaviour Management

I have had very few responses to my previous floating of draft changes to our behaviour management code. Hence I will request the P&C to approve these changes at our meeting on Thu 17 July, 7.30pm.

### Site to Bookmark!

Please make sure you and your son/daughter have this website bookmarked at home: [myfuture.edu.au](http://myfuture.edu.au). This is a valuable career information service. It contains, for example, a personalised career exploration tool – *discover what type of jobs may suit you!*

### Acting Appointments

Mr Rohan Brooks, Deputy Principal, was Acting Principal at Toolooa SHS last semester. This semester, he will be Acting Principal at Nanango SHS. Hence, Miss Yvette Rimmer will continue as Acting Deputy Principal. Whilst Mrs Ball is on long service leave this term, Mr Russ Maynard will be Acting Head of Department for English, the Resource Centre and Languages, whilst Mrs Lorna Rose will act as House Coordinator for Burarhl House. Thanks to those people who have taken on the challenge of further leadership at our school. We thank Mr Tony Muller for being acting Head of Science and BSL Zenith last semester. Ms Heather Moller now returns to this position after maternity leave.



### Incoming School Leaders

Emma Slatter (C), Duran Stander (V/C), Jessica Adie (V/C) & Darcy Thompson (C)



### Our Incoming House Leaders

Shelly Howie, Tim Faux, Kate Gray, Jarryd Brown, Zara Stross, Jack Goddard, Ashleigh Burns, Jason Gilmore



The Koonoka Troupe from GSHS joined us for NAIDOC week



Rebecca Romeo & Kristy Clark perform ‘Lest We Forget’.

## TANNUM SANDS STATE HIGH SCHOOL WELCOMES NEW LEADERS

We welcomed the new school leaders recently at a Formal Assembly, and showcased some of the best talent in the area. Guest speaker, ex Tannum High student Alex Upton, encouraged students to ‘grasp opportunities’ and ‘make the most of their time at school’, highlighting how all the experiences he had whilst here have stood him in good stead when starting up his theatre group PACT House. Performances by the cast of upcoming Theatre Restaurant production of ‘Phantom of the Music Hall’ gave the audience a taste of the quality of what is to come next month. Kristy Clark and Rebecca Romeo performed a guitar and violin duet called ‘Lest We Forget’ and the school celebrated their successes in Cross Country, Futsal and ‘Student of the Term’ awardees.

Principal, Ray Johnston, congratulated the outgoing School Captains and House Captains as they passed the baton of leadership onto new Captains, Emma Slatter and Darcy Thompson. Vice Captains are Jessica Adie and Duran Stander. New House Captains are: Burarhl - Jarryd Brown and Kate Gray, Nagatin - Shelly Howie and Tim Faux, Whoolghun - Jason Gilmore and Ashleigh Burns, and Ghinmhine - Zara Stross and Jack Goddard.

Thursday  
17<sup>th</sup>

P&C Meeting  
@ 7:30pm  
All Welcome



## TANNUM HIGH SCHOOL CELEBRATES NAIDOC WEEK

NAIDOC originally stood for 'National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee'. This committee was once responsible for organising national activities during NAIDOC Week and its acronym has become the name of the week itself. NAIDOC celebrations are held around Australia in July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and celebrates the survival of Indigenous culture, and the Indigenous contribution to modern Australia.

The week is celebrated not just in the Indigenous community, but also in increasing numbers of government agencies, schools, local councils and workplaces. Tannum High School celebrated early to allow for term holidays. Students from our school participated in a special breakfast attended by Auntie Jacqui Johnston (Elder of Gurang Gurang) who gave a rousing 'Welcome to Country' speech, encouraging all of our students to celebrate the history and culture of Indigenous Australians. Indigenous dancers from Gladstone State High School entertained the breakfast guests. Our Indigenous students also designed and produced chalk art which decorated the walkways around the school.

Community NAIDOC Week celebrations for 2008 were held from 6 to 13 July. The national theme for 2008 is *Advance Australia Fair?*



*Tannum Students Matthew, Cody & Charlie with two of the GSHS Dancers, Tarun and Linton.*

## REFERENCES

Some students may require references for job applications with major local firms this term. Students have been told to ask about these at the office, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. It is neither reasonable nor possible to produce a school reference at a day or two's notice.



## NETBALL TRIUMPH

Our U15 team competed in the Open Netball competition, and won.



*Our winning Under 15 team*

TSSHS entered two Year 8 teams this year. One of these teams came a very close 2nd to Toolooa in the Year 8 comp.

In Vicki Wilson netball, we have won the Gladstone region, and will go on to play against the winners of the other local regions in Rockhampton. Well done!

by Teacher Sherilyn Mathewson



*Hannah Jeffries shooting for goal.*

## UNIFORM SHOP

Just a reminder that students (male & female) may wear ink navy tailored trousers as part of the normal school uniform. These trousers are available from the uniform shop – cost \$35.00.

**All Uniform items are currently in stock. Price List:**

Shirts	\$36.00
Micro fibre shorts	\$20.00
Sports Skirts	\$26.00
Spray jackets	\$30.00
Windcheaters	\$40.00
Calculators	\$27.00
Wide Brim Hats	\$10.00
Bucket Hats	\$12.00
Box pleat skirts	\$36.00
Track pants	\$25.00
Tailored Trousers	\$35.00
Posture Tuff school bags	\$58.00

**Method of Payment: EFTPOS or cash or cheque. Please make cheques payable to TSSHS P&C. Lay-by facilities are available.**

Phone orders welcome – please ring after 9am. The operating hours of the Uniform Shop are Monday, Wednesday and Friday 8.15am to 11.15am.

*If you have any enquiries please contact Monique Toner in the Uniform Shop on 49799752.*



*Male School Captain, Darcy Thompson, enjoying the benefits of his new role.*



**WE WELCOME ALL NEW STUDENTS, FAMILIES AND STAFF WHO ARE JOINING OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY. BEST OF LUCK TO ALL STUDENTS FOR A FANTASTIC SEMESTER TWO!**

## BSL ZENITH – OUR GIFTED PROGRAM



**187 Passports (2008)**

## CASE OF IDENTITY FORENSIC SCIENCE DAY

To date, we have had an overwhelming response from our students to attend this wonderful forensic experience. However, we still have a few positions available. If your child has received a permission form to attend, please return as soon as possible as there are limited places.

## 2008 ACMF NATIONAL SONGWRITING COMPETITION

Write some lyrics and put them to music OR compose an instrumental piece OR just write the lyrics. Win musical equipment for you and your school. Have Brian McFadden come to your school and perform. Perform on stage at the Sydney Festival. Over \$30,000 in prizes. Entries Close Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2008. For more information go to [www.acmf.com.au](http://www.acmf.com.au)

# SENIOR SCHOOLING



## Business and IT Skills Centre

My name is Alex Wells, and I am studying Business Organisation and Management, and Certificate II in Business at the Business and IT Skills Centre. I am currently undertaking work experience with the Projects Team. I have been making safety presentations, doing on-site work, touring on site, and discussing some of the projects the engineers are involved in. I am currently designing project mapping organisation charts. I am pictured here with my mentor David Cooms, an undergraduate electrical engineer.

This opportunity is giving me a great insight into the workplace. I like being part of the BITS Centre because I am working in a realistic office environment where the work I am doing will be used by the engineers. I am able to apply what I have been learning in physics, business and technology classes at school to what I am required to do in my work at the Smelter.



## CAREERS NOTICEBOARD

**GIRLS ELECTRICAL COURSE** Girls interested in enrolling in a pre-trade electrical course must contact Gladstone Area Group Apprentices (GAGAL) to register their interest (Ph 49725988). For more information contact GAGAL or Mr Comrie in Staffroom 4 at the school.



## WORK EXPERIENCE NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2008

Students who would like to do work experience in November/December can start putting in their applications now. Year 12 students cannot apply for Work Experience in December. Any questions please call Todd Comrie 4979 9762 or Sherry Perkins 4979 9761.

## YEAR 12 STUDENTS INTERESTED IN FLYING

PATS is a company specialising in pilot training and assisting with aptitude tests for the Australian Defence Force. Go to [www.pilotaptitude.com](http://www.pilotaptitude.com) for more information.

## VACANCY - AFTER SCHOOL THEN FULL TIME WANTED:

Enthusiastic, hardworking bloke who is reliable, with basic handy (metal/wood) skills and able to work unsupervised. Some heavy work in assisting with sign making and installations. No graphic experience required. Initially weekday afternoons and some Saturdays. Contact Michelle at Print Wright, PO Box 1973, Gladstone with hand written cover letter and resume or phone 4972 6663 for more information.

## YEAR 11 VARIATION

Starts this Semester, Lesson 4 on Thursdays. IF students have variation on their timetable (*parental approval required*) they can leave after lesson 3 via signing out. If they have variation and are remaining at school they must sign in so we know they are on the grounds. If they do not have variation, then they are engaged in sport. Students must maintain the conditions of their variation privilege or it will be withdrawn.

## YEAR 12 VARIATION

This continues for students who have successfully applied for the privilege. It is at the same time as the Year 11 variation.

## TERTIARY STUDIES EXPO

The 27th Annual Tertiary Studies Expo will be held on Saturday and Sunday, 19/20 July, at the RNA Showgrounds in Brisbane. Admission is FREE. 10am to 4pm both days. Over 100 exhibitors will cover: all Qld universities, some interstate/overseas universities, private training colleges, Defence Forces, TAFE and many more. Visit [www.tsxpo.org](http://www.tsxpo.org) for more information, including prizes (win a laptop!) and competitions, and details on seminars and speakers at the expo.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### GPC COMMUNITY PRESENTATION – Future Direction of the Port of Gladstone

To be held at CQU Gladstone Campus, Rex Metcalfe Theatre on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2008 from 7pm – 9pm.

A light supper will be provided. If you would like to attend, please register your interest by phoning Gladstone Ports Corporation (GPC) Community Relations on 4976 1627.

### ISLAND SANDS BOXING CLUB INC

Come along – first session free. Boxing training Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday. 4.30 to 5.30 Juniors & 6 – 7 pm Seniors. Call Russell on 0429 437918 or 4973 3738 (evenings) for further information.

### PORT CURTIS SAILING CLUB

Sign up now for Junior Learn to Sail (children aged 9-15 years) starting Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2008. No sailing experience or equipment necessary. Contact the Sailing Club on 4972 2294.



## FOR THE FRIDGE

## JULY 2008

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> P&C Meeting  
Thursday 17-18<sup>th</sup> Yr 11 PE Excursion (Brisbane)

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> TSSHS Theatre Restaurant & School's Tree Day  
Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> TSSHS Theatre Restaurant  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Senior Mentor Training Day