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### QCS Test

Eligible Year 12 students will sit this on 2 Sep and 3 Sep at the Boynes Tannum Community Centre. Congratulations to Mr Russ Maynard and his team for preparing our students so well. It is crucial that students have the correct EQUIPMENT on the day and turn up punctually wearing full uniform. Students MUST have a Medical Certificate if they cannot attend through sickness on that day.

### School Tours

It was great to see the number of parents and prospective students who turned up to the Year 7 into Year 8 information night particularly seeing it was a cold and wet night. The school tours before the presentation were very popular and some parents who could not make it early enquired about tours at another time. Some of our Senior Leaders have offered to conduct tours after school so if you missed out and would like a tour please contact the office and we will organise for one of our leaders to show you around the school. In addition, if you have any feedback from the night (eg too long, too much information), please contact me as we are always interested in improving these nights.

### QCAT

The Queensland Comparable Assessment Task has arrived in the school. This Mathematics task will be undertaken by our Year 9 students during the week beginning Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September. Teachers will mark the student responses and provide feedback to students. Parents will be provided a report late in term 4. The Mathematics QCAT is being trialled in this district this year with full implementation of English, Mathematics and Science QCATs across the state next year.

### Desperate Shortage of Supply Teachers

With colds, flu and other bugs doing the rounds at the moment we are having trouble finding enough supply teachers to cover teacher absences. Whilst every effort is made to cover classes of absent teachers, it is sometimes necessary to ask Senior classes to work independently with minimal supervision. If there are any registered teachers out there who would be available to work at the school, please give us a ring.

### Sexuality from a Christian perspective

Next Tuesday, Year 8's are offered a religious education session, presented by Straight Talk Australia. A note went home about that on Wednesday. Please return permission slips as soon as possible. Straight Talk are also offering a parent session for ALL Year levels (bring your son and daughter) next Monday night, 1 Sept from 7pm to 8.30pm. Topics covered include: abstinence as a positive choice for teens; physical, emotional and spiritual consequences of sexual activity outside marriage, sexually transmitted diseases and the spiritual and emotional side of sexuality.



Senior students show off the School's 2008 Senior Jersey.



Mr Muller and students experimenting with "Pink Sand".



Well done to our Tannum students in the Maths tournament



### MATHS TOURNAMENT RESULTS

The Gladstone and Region Interschool Maths Tournament was held at our Performance Centre on Tuesday, August 19<sup>th</sup>. This year six high schools from around the region were represented in the relay-style competition. Pairs of students worked together to solve a range of problems within a set time limit. A Gladstone State High School team took out 1<sup>st</sup> place. It was a closely contested event with only 4 points separating our teams from the winner. Well done!

Our Tannum teams competed well and enjoyed the afternoon. Many thanks to all involved in the competition, in particular to Mr Ron Hawkins, manager of McDonald's, who has for many years now supported the Tournament and provided the awards. A special thank you to Mrs Lisa Mazzer for helping organise and run the event, Mr Phillip Heath for setting up and our student supervisors for conducting the relays. The Tournament will be held here again next year, when students from Years 9 and 10 will get another opportunity to compete. For further information please contact Mr Farshid Paymon who organised the events on 4979 9754.



### COMING UP

Tues/Wed  
2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>  
Year 12 QCS Test

Thurs 11th  
P&C Meeting  
@ 7:30pm

SEE FOR THE  
FRIDGE

**STUDENT SHINES AT THE APEX AUSTRALIA TEENAGE FASHION AWARDS**

Talented TSSHS students, such as Charley Bond, show us that with a little imagination and determination we can achieve stunning results.

At only 13 years old, Charley has impressed judges by designing and modelling her own creation and came 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the "My Culture" category at the Awards. On the 16<sup>th</sup> August Charley travelled to Brisbane to model her design at the State Awards, and attained an impressive 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Charley describes this opportunity as "an awesome experience" and was thrilled to be called up in 3<sup>rd</sup> place and told she was going to Sydney in October for the Nationals.

Charley is an aspiring young fashion designer and model, and sees this opportunity as a great way to start her career. The dress she entered into the My Culture category, was a blending of her Aboriginal and Australian heritage. The front of the dress highlighted the Aboriginal flag, and the back was detailed with splits of red material with the Australian flag underneath. Charley explained the reason she entered the competition was due to the passion she has for designing, as well as modelling.

No doubt we will hear more wonderful stories from this talented TSSHS student. Congratulations, Charley!



**LAST WEEK'S QUIZ QUESTION ANSWERED**

**What do all these words have in common?**

Banana Dresser Grammar Potato Revive Uneven Assess

**Answer:** In all of the words listed, if you take the first letter, place it at the end of the word, and then spell the word backwards, it will be the same word.

**YEAR 11 PHYSICAL EDUCATION EXCURSION TO UQ**

Earlier this term the Year 11 Physical Education students travelled to Brisbane for two days of learning. On the first day students visited the Anatomy Department at the University of Queensland (UQ). Students viewed human cadavers and learnt about different muscles and organs. In the afternoon, students ventured to the UQ athletics club where they participated in an athletics workshop. Students were lucky enough to be coached by State and National level athletes in starts, sprints, long jump, shot put, high jump, shot-put, discus, javelin and hurdles. Students stayed at Stuartholme School while they were there, and experienced life as a boarder for two nights, which they all enjoyed.

On the second day, students went to the Human Movements Department at UQ where they participated in an Exercise Physiology and Biomechanics Workshop. Student volunteers participated in a VO2 Max Test, 10 and 30 sec bike tests as well as a simulation of the speed at which an Olympic marathon was run. All students had a fantastic time and all of what they learned links into their senior PE course. In the afternoon students participated in a Touch Football workshop which was run by a QLD coach. All students enjoyed the different activities in the workshop and these activities are now done throughout their touch unit at school.



**PORT CURTIS**

Congratulations to our Tannum Sands SHS Athletics team. Our athletes competed at the Port Curtis Trials on the 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> August and gained 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the overall schools competition.

Congratulations to the following students who gained selection in the Port Curtis Athletics Team:

Kelly Akari: PORT CURTIS 17yrs FEMALE CHAMPION (Discus, long jump, triple jump, 100m)

Nikki Cooke: PORT CURTIS 13yrs FEMALE CHAMPION (Discus, long jump, 200/400/800m)

Brandon Gillett: (Long jump)

Dylan Nankivell: (400/800/1500/3000m)

Sam Grace: (400m)

Charley Bond: (100/1500/3000m)

Zac Bond: (800/1500m)

Tyler Walker: (Shot put)

Jack Ford: (Long jump)

Jordan Wex: (100/200m)

Kelly Meiers: (Shot put)

Nikola Ballinger: (Shot put)

Tana Thorpe: (800m)

Jamie Cunninghame: (800m)



Dana Bellini and Renae Withoos



Tana Thorpe and Rachael Withoos

Congratulations also to the following students for their selection in the Port Curtis Cricket teams: Dana Bellini, Jade Lingard, Renae Withoos, Rachel Withoos, Michael Mole, Reece Richardson and CJ Perkins. Good-luck to all athletes in their upcoming Capricornia trials in Mackay.

**BSL ZENITH – OUR GIFTED PROGRAM**



**187 Passports (2008)**

**THE SIEMENS SCIENCE EXPERIENCE 2009**

The Siemens Science Experience is a three day hands-on science, engineering and technology program for students who will be entering Year 10 in 2009. Each program includes a wide variety of practical activities, together with interesting presentations by leading scientists and engineers. The cost of the program is \$105, and as it is a Rotary Youth Services Project, local Rotary clubs are often willing to pay this fee. We will be holding an information session on Wednesday 27th August at 3.30pm in the Performance Centre.

**SHARE THE EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME**

**A VOYAGE ON THE YOUNG ENDEAVOUR IN 2009**

A voyage on the tall ship, *Young Endeavour*, as a member of a youth crew is a unique challenge. It inspires teamwork, communication, leadership and a sense of community responsibility. Young people aged 16-23 are encouraged to apply for a berth and are selected through a ballot. Applications for the ballot can be made by visiting [www.youngendeavour.gov.au](http://www.youngendeavour.gov.au) or by picking up a form from Mrs Cook in Staffroom 1. Entries close 30<sup>th</sup> August 2008.

# MIDDLE SCHOOLING



## STUDENTS GAIN INSIGHT INTO INVENTING, MARKETING AND EXPORTING.

Year 10 Business Management students are currently developing a range of products for the export market. To give them a better understanding about what is involved, Tim Straatmans visited to talk with students about his Coconet invention and what it takes to come up with an idea, develop and then export it. Tim gave a valuable insight into patenting, product design and what makes a successful entrepreneur.

A big thanks to Tim for taking time out of his busy schedule to help the business class.

*Above from left: Luke Thompson, James De Britt, Jesse King, Tim Straatmans, Cameron Hayden, and Rhys Andrew.*

## TOUR DE CHAPLAIN AWARDS EVENING



Presentation and Awards Evening will be Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August 5:30pm Gladstone State High School Lecture Theatre. Come along to celebrate your achievement.

## YEAR 12 TERTIARY INFORMATION EVENING

A tertiary information evening will be held on **Thursday 4 September** at **7pm** in the Resource Centre at Tannum Sands SHS. The session will include information on:

- \* TTT (Twelve to Tertiary) process involving applications through QTAC
- \* University Life (according to parents who have been through the process)
- \* FEE HELP (previously known as HECS to cover tuition fees)
- \* How to apply for University Scholarships and what is available.

At the end of the session there will be an opportunity for parents and students to move to C001 to complete QTAC applications online. QTAC Applications are due on **30 September 2008**. Students will need to **pay \$26 to QTAC** for processing their application. Page 10 of the QTAC guide outlines methods of payment.

## UNIFORM SHOP

Please note that these **new** prices are effective immediately.

Shirts	\$36.00	Shorts	\$20.00
Hats	\$12.00	Windcheaters	\$40.00
Track pants	\$25.00	Box Pleat Skirts	\$38.00
Panelled Jacket	\$45.00	Calculators	\$28.00
Posture Tuff School Bags			\$60.00

**Uniform Shop Hrs: Mon, Wed, Fri 8:15-11:15am**  
**Enquires to Monique Toner on 4979 9752**

## CANTEEN ROSTER -

If you can help, please phone Cath Brice on 4979 9735.

## WEEKS 1-3 SEPTEMBER 2008



<b>1st</b>	Rhonda Johnsen	<b>8th</b>	Rhonda Johnsen/Vicky Balwin	<b>15th</b>	Rhonda Johnsen/Vicky Balwin
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Tracey Webber-Hanson	<b>9th</b>	Tracey Webber-Hanson	<b>16th</b>	Tracey Webber-Hanson
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Marie McKelvie	<b>10th</b>	Heather Dunn	<b>17th</b>	<b>Help Needed</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	Louise Stobbo	<b>11th</b>	<b>Help Needed</b>	<b>18th</b>	<b>Help Needed</b>
<b>5<sup>th</sup></b>	Annie Williams	<b>12th</b>	Mandy Gaffel/Annie Williams	<b>19th</b>	Annie Williams

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**GRADE 12 STUDENTS** - Coconet are looking for a team of volunteers to assist in running the **Coconet Classic Music Festival** on Easter Sunday (12th April 2009), and the Kitesurfing and Skate/BMX/Scooter competitions (Good Friday & Saturday 10th-11th April). In return for 5-10 hours work, you will receive a free ticket to see some of your favourite Aussie bands, along with some free Coconet Classic merchandise. A number of different jobs are available. If you, your friends or even your family are interested, simply email your full name, phone number, email address, postal address and home town to: [danielle@coconet.net.au](mailto:danielle@coconet.net.au) "

## BROTHERS CRICKET CLUB SIGN ON

Sign on to be held on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2008 at Clinton Park Sports Club (VENUE CHANGED FROM LAST WEEK'S NOTICE) from 8am to 10am with a sausage sizzle for breakfast. All new and past players welcome. Junior age groups from U9 to U16 and In2Cricket (Have-a-go) for 5-8 year olds. For more information contact Laraine on 4978 3715 or Rebecca on 4978 6202 for In2Cricket.

## BOYNE TANNUM LITTLE ATHLETICS SIGN-ON DAYS!!

Sat 23rd August - 8.30am to 12.00pm AND Sat 30th August - 11.00am to 3.00pm at the front of Coles Supermarket, Tannum Central. Competition starts Friday 10th October. Come along for 2 Free Trial days for all new members U6 - U17, Tiny Tots 3 & 4 year olds. For more details, please contact Chelsea Belton 4973 9583 or [belton6@dodo.com.au](mailto:belton6@dodo.com.au)

## FOR THE FRIDGE

### AUGUST 2008

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> ICAS Computer Competition  
Year 10 into 11 Subject Information Night  
Year 12 Maths Exam

### SEPTEMBER 2008

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Year 12 QCS Test, Year 9 Magic of Gospel  
Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Year 12 QCS Test  
Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Year 12 Variation Lessons 3 and 4, Tertiary Info Night