

with Mr Kevin Giles

FROM

### HPV Team

Good luck to our Human Powered Vehicle Team which goes from strength to strength. This year not only is there a tandem vehicle, but also for the first time there is a faired vehicle. Students, Teachers and Parents put in a considerable amount of time and effort to get to this event, and I'm sure our team will again be successful in their endeavours. *See inside for more details.*

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### Road Safety

A reminder that the safest way to cross Coronation Drive in the busy after school period is by using the tunnel. Teachers on gate duty will be instructing students to use the tunnel, and parent support in ensuring this would be greatly appreciated. We also recommend to parents the "Delay by 5" initiative which helps alleviate the traffic congestion at 3.10 pm. Parents are asked to delay pick-up of students by 5 minutes. We also insist that students are collected from outside the school grounds, as it can become very busy in the turn around outside the office. This should only be used if visiting the office or in some cases if collecting sick or injured students. The speed limit within the school grounds is **15 km/hr**. Students have also been addressed on parade about road safety when crossing the road, particularly in the Bevington Street area.

DEPUTY

### QCAT

Students in Year 9 have this week been completing the Queensland Comparable Assessment Task in their Mathematics lessons. Teachers will mark student responses, which will then go through both a school and district moderation process before achievement data is sent to Brisbane. QCAT's promote exemplary assessment practices and provide a means of ensuring comparability across the state. Next year students will undertake QCAT's in English, Mathematics and Science.



*Jordan Henderson (front) and Jason Smith have been accepted to Griffith University honours ensemble program. Well done!*

Year 11 students Jessica Adie and Shanice Anderson are just two of our TSSHS students who performed with outstanding results at the recent Eisteddfod. Jessica Adie received an Encouragement Bursary from the Friends of the Theatre for her performances in the Stage Show, Art Song, Modern Song and WBP duo/trio categories 15-18 years. Shanice Anderson received the Highest Mark Trophy, the Boyne Smelter Most Outstanding Performer trophy and Aggregate Trophy 15-18 years for her numerous performances in Art Song, Australian Composer, Sacred Song, Cello Study Solo, Cello Baroque Solo, Cello Own Choice, Folk Song and Modern Song categories.



*Jessica Adie and Shanice Anderson*

### FORMAL ASSEMBLY

Will be held next week, Wednesday 17th. This term's assembly will be hosted by Whoolghun and Matt Jenkins of M1 cycles has again continued his support of our green and healthy schools program and donated another bike. Any parents, caregivers and members of the community are welcome to attend.

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Operation Christmas Child has been running since 1993. Since then, more than 61 million shoe boxes have been delivered to hurting children in more than 135 countries. Australian boxes are usually delivered to impoverished children in countries like Vietnam, Thailand, Cambodia, Vanuatu and Papua New Guinea.

Each box contains something to love, something for school, something for personal hygiene, something to play with, something to wear and something special. Students and staff are asked to bring a particular item for a box. Alternatively cash donations will help to purchase the items which we are missing to complete boxes. The school has set a very ambitious target of 100 boxes. So far we already have 6 ready to go, so that is not a bad start.

Now for your part in Operation Christmas Child! All you need to do is contact Ms Joanne Cooper in SR1 or phone her on 4979 9725 for all the details on how you can help. Why not considering doing a whole box as a family? This is a truly beautiful gift that your family can provide to a child in need. For further information about Operation Christmas Child, log onto the website for loads of fantastic information. [http://www.samaritanspurse.org.au/occ\\_08\\_index.shtml](http://www.samaritanspurse.org.au/occ_08_index.shtml)



**Thurs 11<sup>th</sup>**  
P&C  
Meeting @  
7:30pm  
**Wed 17<sup>th</sup>**  
Formal  
Assembly

## TANNUM'S OWN KARATE KID

Hannah Mossman recently competed in the State Titles for Karate, and took out the Queensland Title for the Brown Belt division 12-15 years Kumite (free fighting), to her surprise. This was her first State representation in the Brown and Black Belt arena. Hannah's coach said that she did extremely well. More hard work will be needed next year to retain this Title, especially with the Australian Titles being held in Gladstone in 2009. Other students from Tannum High who competed in the Queensland Titles include siblings Jennah and James Burgess. Jennah was awarded a second placing and James a third in the Green to Purple Belt Kumite divisions. Well done Hannah, Jennah and James!



## CLEAN YOUR MOTOR AND WIN A \$700 BIKE THANKS TO MATT AT M1 CYCLES

Matt Jenkins from M1 Cycles continues to donate bicycles as prizes for our Healthy School's Campaign.

When asked why he has stepped up and supported this campaign, Matt explained that he's just giving back. Struggling to get M1 Cycles off the ground, Matt says the shop, "Wouldn't be here if it wasn't for the support of Tannum High students."

"Good nutrition is the main thing," says Matt, and "You have to have a clean motor if you're going to perform." With obesity in our children a growing concern, Matt and the Tannum High canteen are doing all they can to ensure our students shine.



## ONLINE HELP WITH YOUTH VIOLENCE AND BULLYING

There's a new Queensland Government website to tackle the issues of youth violence and bullying. The new *Act Smart Be Safe* website is a gateway for parents, students, teachers and the community to access information to help improve youth safety. The website also has information about Schoolies, partying safely, alcohol and violence, inappropriate behaviour and the impact of technology such as You Tube and mobile phones. *Act Smart Be Safe* is a one-stop-shop for information and helpful advice for both students and parents.

Visit the new website at: [www.education.qld.gov.au/actsmartbesafe](http://www.education.qld.gov.au/actsmartbesafe)

### USE SMART OP TO FIND OUT YOUR OP

QSA's Smart OP Service gives you the option of finding out your OP before it arrives in the mail.

You can find out Online or by SMS.

- Register from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October to 5pm Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December by logging on to [www.smartop.qsa.qld.edu.au](http://www.smartop.qsa.qld.edu.au). You will need your QSA student number (11 digits, begins with 07) and you will then create your own Smart OP PIN.
- Use your QSA student number and registered SMART OP PIN to find out your OP and FP's from 9am Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> December.

On 19<sup>th</sup> December, QSA will post your Tertiary Entrance Statement (showing your OP and FP's) with your Senior Statement and, if eligible, your Queensland Certificate of Education, to your home address. So make sure your school has your correct address on the QSA Student Data Capture System.

### NOT OP ELIGIBLE?

You can get into many tertiary courses by qualifying for a QTAC Selection Rank and meeting any entry prerequisites.

Ranks for OP-ineligible students are calculated from schedules worked out by QSA and QTAC and range from 99 (highest) to 1 (lowest).

To qualify for a QTAC selection rank you must:

- Have the equivalent of 20 semester units, which may include Authority subjects, Authority-registered subjects and approved vocational education and training modules;
- Qualify for a Senior Statement by remaining at school until the prescribed date, 21 November 2008.

**You can find out how your rank is calculated.**

Visit QTAC: [www.qtac.edu.au](http://www.qtac.edu.au) > Applying > Current Year 12 > Year 12 students without an OP.

## P&C CONSTITUTION

The next General Meeting of the P&C will be held at 7.30 pm on Thursday 11 September in the Resource Centre. Notice is hereby given that a Special General Meeting will be held beforehand at 7.25pm on this day for the purposes of adopting a new Constitution for our P&C.

## VIETNAM VETERANS DAY

On the 18th August, 2008 a group of Senior Modern History students travelled in to Gladstone to

commemorate Vietnam Veterans Day. Rebecca Romeo & Kristy Clark performed their original piece, "Lest We Forget". In a recent letter from the RSL, Secretary Peter Young said, "Kristy captured the spirit of the Veterans who were kept spellbound during the performance. They felt humbled and grateful."



## EISTEDDFOD RESULTS

Other outstanding performances at the recent Eisteddfod included Luisa Varcoe - Aggregate Trophy Singing 13-14 years and Andrew Liaw - Aggregate Trophy Piano 13-14 years. **Our school received a placing in numerous sections. These include 1<sup>st</sup> Percussion Ensemble, 1<sup>st</sup> B# String Ensemble, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grandioso String Ensemble, 3<sup>rd</sup> String Orchestra, 3<sup>rd</sup> Stage Band and Highly Commended for the Rock Orchestra. Congratulations to all who participated.**

*We invite all parents and students to submit personal performance results to the Newsletter for publishing, by emailing [lfllet30@eq.edu.au](mailto:lfllet30@eq.edu.au).*

**For further information or assistance relating to Careers and Guidance, please contact your Guidance Officers, Julie Gracey or Nathan Wyer on 4979 9704. Students are encouraged to make an appointment at the Administration building.**

# AROUND THE SCHOOL

## HUMAN POWERED VEHICLES

Tannum High students are oiling chains, tweaking gears, building up muscles and checking their brakes for the **2008 - MARYBOROUGH TECHNOLOGY CHALLENGE** which will be held this weekend, Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th September. This is a weekend for primary and high school students that is full of fun, innovation, action-packed racing and imagination. Students gather to camp with their peers, work as teams, and race on a state-wide level, against schools from all over Queensland - plus some from across Australia and overseas!

This year, thanks to ongoing sponsors Coconet, the school is entering nine teams in three out of the four divisions of ...

**Category A** – Junior and Open (Boys/Girls/Mixed)

**Category C** – Tandem - Junior and Open (gender unrestricted)

**Category D** – Students with disabilities (Hand Powered and General divisions)  
Principal Ray Johnston and Deputy Principal John Adie were on hand on Parade to help show off a new entry for the school: the Tandem vehicle. The human powered vehicle race is intended as an experiment in personal mobility; the objective is to build an efficient and stable machine powered entirely by human effort which will run continuously for 24 hours.



## WORK EXPERIENCE IN DECEMBER

The closing date is Monday 13th October for work experience applications for placements from 1-5th December and/or 8-12th December. This opportunity is open to Year 9-11 students who are 14 years old or more. Students are reminded that if you are applying for a placement in a trade area, you must have an industry Blue Card before you apply. The application will not be accepted without a blue card number. Other students are reminded to complete a Work Place Health and Safety Certificate course on line before applying. See Mr Comrie or Mrs Thompson in SR4 for more information.

## LIZ CUNNINGHAME GUEST SPEAKING TO THE YEAR 8'S

Several weeks ago Liz Cunninghame spoke to all Year 8 students about the role of government and active citizenship. It was an interesting and informative speech that was enjoyed by staff and students alike.



Below are some comments by Year 8 students:

*"It was interesting to learn about the parliament and what is happening in Boyne Island and Tannum Sands."*

*"I enjoyed learning that when the bell rings they only have four minutes to enter the Parliamentary Room."*

*"I found it interesting that politicians smuggle lollies into parliament."*

*"Mrs Cunninghame had some interesting stories, I learnt a lot."*

## CQ SCHOOL TEAM GOLF CHALLENGE SECONDARY AND PRIMARY OCTOBER 2008

Yeppoon Golf Club on 20/10/08 with first hit off at 7.30am. Perpetual Trophies will be awarded to Champion schools and Individuals after this challenge. Golfers must play in February and October to qualify. School Sports shirt is also compulsory to be eligible for the Perpetual Trophies.



Nominations are open for the CQ School Teams Golf Challenge Secondary and/or Primary. Secondary competition is 18 holes for players with a recognised handicap. Primary competition consists of teams in 18 or 9 holes. Nominations close 3pm Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2008. Cost: \$11 per person to play. Dress – School Sports Uniform shirt and dress trousers or shorts.

Could students interested in participating, please contact Mr Sternberg in Staffroom 2 or phone him on 4979 9727.



Matthew Sheehan from Kings College talks to our Year 12 students

## 2009 BRISBANE TERTIARY STUDENT ACCOMMODATION

Raymont Lodge Residential College provides fully furnished accommodation for students undertaking tertiary study in Brisbane. The College is located 4km from the heart of Brisbane and in close proximity to the University of Queensland and the Queensland University of Technology. All public transport is within easy access to the College. Raymont Lodge provides modern and comfortable single room accommodation for up to 120 students. All meals are provided as well as a number of other services that include: internet access, individual telephones, common room, and swimming pool. Additional information is available on the net at [www.raymont.com.au](http://www.raymont.com.au) or by contacting 07 3377 9903 and requesting an information kit. Raymont Lodge is a ministry of the Uniting Church in Australia, Queensland Synod.

## CANTEEN ROSTER

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

**WEEK 3- SEPTEMBER 2008, WEEKS 2 & 4 OCTOBER 2008**

<b>15th</b>	Rhonda Johnsen/Vicky Balwin	<b>6th</b>	Rhonda Johnsen/Vicky Balwin	<b>13th</b>	Rhonda Johnsen/Vicky Balwin
<b>16th</b>	Tracey Webber-Hanson	<b>7th</b>	Tracey Webber-Hanson	<b>14th</b>	Tracey Webber-Hanson
<b>17th</b>	<b>Help Needed</b>	<b>8th</b>	Heather Dunn/ <b>Help Needed</b>	<b>15th</b>	<b>Help Needed</b>
<b>18th</b>	<b>Help Needed</b>	<b>9th</b>	<b>Help Needed</b>	<b>16th</b>	<b>Help Needed</b>
<b>19th</b>	Annie Williams	<b>10th</b>	Annie Williams/Mandy Gaffel	<b>17th</b>	Annie Williams/ <b>Help Needed</b>