



with Miss Yvette Rimmer

FROM THE DEPUTY

Awards Evening

Our Awards Evening will be held on *Thursday 6 November* at 7:30 pm in the Performance Centre. This night is held to celebrate and publicly acknowledge the success of our students in academic, sporting and cultural areas. Students receiving awards will have received an invitation in the last week, so please check with your student and make sure their invitation is not hiding in the bottom of their school bag. We look forward to celebrating with the award recipients and their families.

Attendance

As the end of our school year is fast approaching, it is important that students are in attendance until the final day for their year level. This is to ensure that students complete all assessment as required and we are able to provide an accurate report of your student's progress this semester. This is extremely important for Year 12 students to maintain or improve the final Level of Achievement. Last day for Year levels are as follows:

- Year 12 – Friday 21 November
- Years 10 and 11 – Friday 28 November
- Years 8 and 9 – Friday 12 December

Out of the Box

A group of students from Years 5 to 9 attended a Gifted Program last Friday and Saturday at Tannum Sands State High School. These students were involved in a number of activities over the 2 days and looked particularly at Gardiner's Multiple Intelligences. Thank you to Sharon Schmidt and Julia Cook for organising a successful and enjoyable program of events.

World Teacher's Day

Friday 31 October is World Teacher's Day. This is held each year to recognise the important contribution of classroom teachers in education and to embrace UNESCO's original aim of celebrating the world's largest, and most important job. A morning tea will be provided for our teachers by the P & C Association as a thank you for their dedication to our students.

Year 12 Parents

Recently, you should have received a letter in the mail, outlining our school's arrangements for "Transition Week" for Year 12's. Please contact the office if you didn't receive a copy. This letter explains how we go to great lengths at our school to make our Year 12's last week very special for them... and you! (P.S. Remember the deadline for sending us photos! Sssh!)

Mr Connolly assists Josh Pool to construct port racks for the school in Manual Arts.



Year 10 student, Jenni Mercer, is doing detailed research for her independent science experience. Jenni has chosen breeding fruit flies as her study topic.

BEACH BASH 2008 – AUSSIE UP ON TUESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER

One day each year Tannum Sands SHS takes a break from the regular rigour of education and hits the beach. This has become a tradition at our school and provides us as a school community a unique opportunity to develop a co-operative culture and an appreciation for our beautiful location. In order to minimise UV exposure the day runs from 6:30am to 12:00pm. Early activities, including a Triathlon, are based on the beach itself and the second session is run in the shaded parklands of Millennium Esplanade. Our four Houses will no doubt engage in their traditional rivalry as they each vie for the title Kings of the Beach. The Beach Bash is organised by the school's newly appointed Student Leaders and represents their first major challenge in terms of organisation, co-operation and leadership. Each year this event is run within the context of a theme chosen by the Student Leaders. 2008 is to be the year of the AUSSIE Beach Bash. Many of the activities have been chosen and developed to match this theme so all students are encouraged to 'don ya thongs', wack on the war paint and prepare for the best day of the year. Remember your house colours, sun safety and get your Aussie on. See you all there.



TUES 4TH
Beach Bash
THURS 6TH
Awards
Evening

IMPORTANT DATE FOR YEAR 8

When current Year 8s move into Year 9 next year they will sit the National Literacy and Numeracy Tests (NAPLAN). We have been advised the dates will be Wed 13 and Thu 14 May 2009. The Qld Studies Authority gives advance notice of these dates so that 2009 Year 9's do not have family holidays planned around these dates.

SURF LEAGUE RESULTS

In October, 10 TSSHS students participated in the Telstra Secondary Schools Surf League at Emu Park.



Results from the day were:

Rachael Withoos – U15 Girls Age Champion
TSSHS 3rd Overall Champion School (from 7 schools)

U13's

Hayden Lester

1st Surf Race, 2nd Iron Man, 3rd Board Race

Amber Grosskreutz

2nd Board Race, Flags & Iron Maiden, 3rd Surf Race

Brady Carroll

2nd Board Race

Many thanks to the very supportive parents who helped on the day and to Tannum Sands SLSC for the use of equipment.

U15's

Rachael Withoos

1st Board Race & Sprint, 2nd Iron Maiden, 3rd Flags & Surf Race

Tegan Jarvis

3rd Board Race

David Vaughan

2nd Board Race, 3rd Surf Race

Alana Cooke

1st Flags, 2nd Sprint

16+

Emma Carroll

2nd Board Race

FINISHING DATES FOR YR 12 2008-2010

We have been notified by the Qld Studies Authority that the relevant dates are:

- For 2008 – 21 November
- For 2009 – 20 November
- For 2010 – 19 November



Year 9 Business Study students prepare items for sale at lunch on Monday



Kelly Akari practises guitar during Year 12 Music.



For one night only, the Boy's Choir will perform at the Awards Night next week.



BILLABONG DAY

A Celebration day for the Deadly Careers program was held recently at Billabong for Indigenous and non - Indigenous students in Years 4-9 from Gladstone West, Gladstone South, Boyne Island, Tannum Sands Primary Schools, Toolooa, Tannum and Gladstone State High. Some of the primary school students have been playing The Real Game this term as part of the Deadly Career program. The Real Game is a career and life skills educational programme that helps students see the connection between school studies, community and the world of work. Deadly Careers Advisor Deidre Carey, teachers, the community, Rio Tinto Yarwun Indigenous team, Nhulundu Wooribah and Elder Jacqueline Johnson (Gooreng Gooreng) planned, played and developed the game, so that it had an Indigenous perspective. Mentors from the Deadly Mates program joined in the Celebration day, and assisted students as they participated in cultural workshops with local Indigenous artist, Danielle Sullivan. They also met with Elder, Jacqueline Johnson, who spoke about Aboriginal history and culture. Students learnt Aboriginal, Torres Strait Island and South Sea Island dance with Jovitah and Marsha Corowa and a bush walk to the Billabong with Djuane Johnson and Aaron Nagas, where the students were shown bush tucker and medicine.



Indigenous Mentors were presented with certificates for completing the mentor training and recognised for their commitment to the mentor program. Councillor Maxine Brushe and Josh Ariens from the Deadly Mates program presented them with their certificates of completion, and they will be mentoring high school students throughout the year. The day was well attended by community members and parents who enjoyed the workshops with the students.

YEAR 8 SCIENCE CLASS CHANGES

Year 8 Science classes have been divided into two separate groups this term, to allow students greater learning opportunities. The groups have been divided according to students learning styles, interest and academic results from the year. Year 8 students will be participating in a unit of work that will explore electricity, and our impact on the environment. In the interest of encouraging a greener future, students will be able to purchase a light bulb pack for twenty dollars from the office. The pack includes: 3 environmentally friendly light bulbs, 1 water saving widget, and an environmentally friendly bag.



BSL ZENITH
– OUR
GIFTED
PROGRAM



187
Passports
(2008)

'OUT OF THE BOX' WORKSHOP

Twelve BSL Zenith students along with thirty local Primary School students attended a two day 'Out of the Box' workshop on Friday 24th and Saturday 25th October. Friday was spent at the Tannum Sands Surf Club, and Saturday was at Tannum Sands State High School. During the two days, students explored their multiple intelligences, identifying their strengths and weaknesses and taking part in a range of activities to develop their problem solving and thinking skills. The workshop was a complete success with many memorable moments to be remembered. Their team work and individual work is to be commended. Parents and siblings enjoyed a B.B.Q. to complete the event. Many thanks go to staff from Tannum High, Boyne Island S.S., Tannum Sands S.S. and Calliope S.S. for their assistance and leadership over the two days.



SENIOR SCHOOLING



BRICK AND BLOCK LAYING

Students involved in the Brick and Block Laying course at Tannum Sands SHS did a fantastic job in building a block wall which improves the boat storage area. Seven Tannum Sands SHS students and 6 Gladstone SHS students gained valuable brick and block laying skills after getting down and dirty mixing mortar, pointing, plumbing and levelling both brick and blocks in training exercises, before tackling the real thing.



The course trainer, Steve Manly from the Australian Brick and Block Laying Training Foundation said that, "Brick laying isn't for everyone but for those people keen to get in and work hard for a few years the financial rewards can be great." The ABBTF course aims to enhance awareness of the brick and block laying trades which are in demand for skilled workers.

While many of the thirteen students involved in this course said they may not persevere a career in the brick or block laying trades they agreed they had gained valuable life skills. It is hoped Steve and the ABBTF course will return again in 2009.

CAREERS NOTICEBOARD

The Careers Notice board is located in the Resource Centre, and is regularly updated with information on new apprenticeships, vacancies and University options. Call in, have a look, and keep informed. *Create your future !!*



COMMUNITY NOTICE

HIGH SCHOOL YEAR OVERSEAS

Education First High School Year exchange program allows students to experience living in another culture while enjoying the support of a global network. Free meeting in Rockhampton 15th November. Phone EF High School Year 1800 251 866 or (02) 9252 3911 or visit www.ef.com or see the Careers Board for more information.

QUT FACULTY OF BUSINESS

Business Scholarships and Options for 2009
High achieving students commencing the Bachelor of Business at QUT will have an exciting new range of course and scholarship options available to them in 2009, which are designed to accelerate and expand career opportunities.

Options for 2009 include:

- Accelerated 2 year option
- Dean's Honours Program 3 year Option
- Corporate Partners in Excellence 3 year scholarship
- Traditional 3 year Option
- Degree plus Honours or Masters 4 year Options
- Double Degree Options
- Multiple Study Area Options\ Vice Chancellor's Scholarship

Additional information on courses and scholarships is available at www.bus.qut.com.

YEAR 12 UNI BOUND STUDENTS

QUT scholarship and course information in Business is available. Support ranges from accelerated 2 year degrees to \$28000 towards course fees. Go to www.bus.qut.com for more information.

UNIFORM SHOP

Uniform Shop Hrs: Mon, Wed, Fri
8:15-11:15am

Enquires to Monique Toner on 4979 9752

Donations of second hand school uniforms are urgently needed. Please leave any donations at the School Office or Uniform Shop.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE TO STUDY PHARMACY

The Rural Pharmacy Workforce Program (RPWP) was established to increase access to pharmacy services in rural and remote areas and to strengthen and support the rural pharmacy workforce. A component of the RPWP is the Rural Pharmacy Scholarship Scheme. **There are 30 scholarships available annually, valued at \$10,000 each per annum (for a maximum of four years).**

For more details on how to obtain one of these scholarships, go to www.ruralpharmacy.com.au.



WANT SOME TIPS FOR DEALING WITH STRESS?

Go to:

www.reachout.com.au

www.ybblue.com.au

www.michaelcarr-gregg.com.au

www.vcenet.com.au

CANTEEN ROSTER

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

OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	NOVEMBER
27th Rhonda Johnsen/Vicky Balwin	3rd Rhonda Johnsen/Vicky Balwin	10th Rhonda Johnsen/Vicky Balwin
28th Tracey Webber-Hanson/ Help Needed	4th Tracey Webber-Hanson/ Help Needed	11th Tracey Webber-Hanson
29th Marie McKelvie/ Help Needed	5th Heather Dunn/ Help Needed	12th Help Needed/Help Needed
30th Louise Stobbo/ Help Needed	6th Help Needed/Help Needed	13th Help Needed/Help Needed
31st Annie Williams/ Help Needed	7th Annie Williams/Mandy Gaffel	14th Annie Williams/ Help Needed

FOR THE FRIDGE

NOVEMBER 2008

Mon 3rd Year 11 Geography Field Study
Tues 4th Beach Bash
Thurs 6th Awards Evening rehearsals
Thurs 13th P&C Meeting @ 7:30pm & Student Leadership Conference

Mon 17th Year 12 Transition Week commences
Wed 19th Senior Formal
Thurs 20th Year 12 Pyjama Day
Fri 21st Year 12 Graduation Breakfast & Formal Assembly