QLD Police Service “Be Safe” Campaign

Throughout the year I have been promoting the Queensland Police Service “Be Safe” campaign to various Gladstone State High School students. There are six key messages that the “Be Safe” campaign promotes. These include:

- Be Prepared, plan your night.
- Enjoy alcohol responsibly, know your limits.
- Stay safe, watch you mates.
- Avoid drugs, not worth the risk.
- Fighting is not ok, one punch can kill.
- End your night safely, don’t drink and drive.

One particular class that really took it upon themselves to help get this message out to their school mates and the wider community was the Senior Art students at SEP. The students really enjoyed imagining crowded spaces such as night clubs, festivals and shopping centres and filling the posters with colourful faces. The students then chose one of the key “Be Safe” messages and incorporated it into their poster.

I invited teachers and staff members to vote for their favourite “Be Safe” poster and arranged for Senior Sergeant Matt Russell from the Gladstone Police Station to attend the SEP parade and present awards to the participating students. I would like to acknowledge the hard work and effort of Rusty L, Connor B, Tahlea Mc, Morgan B, Cassie C, Cloie F, Ryan S-R and Joel T. Jacob P whose poster depicted a “mosh pit” at a Korn concert (an area not for the faint hearted) with the slogan “Fighting is not ok – One punch can kill” was voted most popular by teachers and staff. Congratulations to all the students. I would also like to thank Mrs Romagnolo for allowing me to present the “Be Safe” campaign to her art students and for incorporating this message into her classroom. The posters have been displayed at Stocklands Kin Kora Centre and the Gladstone City Library to promote the message to the wider community, and will be placed on the QPS Police blog to further promote the “Be Safe” message.
Quick News

Orientation Day

When
Term 4, Week 9
• Year 7 into 8 Tuesday 2.12.14 and Wednesday 3.12.14
• Year 6 into 7 Wednesday 3.12.14 and Thursday 4.12.14

Where
• Meet at the hall on your first day

What to wear
• Your school uniform

What to bring
• Hat, water bottle, writing materials and a happy disposition along with a positive attitude

Enrolment forms: Please hand in your enrolment forms prior to orientation days (if you have not already done so). This is necessary so that students can already be placed into house groups and participate in activities during orientation days.

Lunch: A sausage sizzle will be provided on one of the orientation days (year 7s on the Tuesday and the year 6s on the Thursday). On the alternative day you may either bring your own lunch or purchase from the tuckshop.

Booklists: These details and other organisational details for next year will be provided at the orientation.

Performing Arts: Information regarding the Performing Arts Class will be provided on the orientation days.

Volleyball School of Excellence: Trials will be conducted on the second day of each age group (Year 7s on Thursday, Year 8s on Tuesday)

Travel: It is the responsibility of parents to organise drop off (9:00am) and collection (3:05pm) of students. If your child will be travelling by bus please contact the bus companies prior to these days.

If you require any more information please direct any queries to Nicki Collocott:
• ncol55@eq.edu.au OR
• 4976 6155

National Recycling Week

Join the ‘Recycling Revolution’ and help boost the environment towards a cleaner and greener future. This week (November 10-16) is Planet Ark’s National Recycling Week, a nationwide event highlighting the environmental benefits of reuse and recycling programs.

Recycling is an environmentally-friendly option as opposed to waste disposal as it allows items to be reused for another purpose rather than being placed in landfill. Before you place your rubbish in the bin, take a look and see if the item can be recycled. You may be surprised by what can be recycled.

If you are uncertain, look for the Mobius loop which is the universal recycling symbol. A list of household items which can be recycled through kerbside collection is available from Gladstone Regional Council’s website at www.gladstone.qld.gov.au/recycling.

Follow the below simple steps to make sure you get your recycling right:
1. Sort through your rubbish and recycle whenever you can; whether at home or in public.
2. Remember, all recyclable items must be clean; and rinse containers, jars and bottles of food, drink or product residue before placing in a yellow lidded recycle bin.
3. Items such as aerosol cans can be recycled but make sure they are emptied before you put them in the recycling bin.
4. Always place your recyclables loosely in recycling bins; don’t bag them, as plastic bags are not able to be recycled and contaminate recycling processing.

Or for more information visit:
www.RecyclingWeek.PlanetArk.org
Final SHINE Session for 2014

Hi from Chappy Yvonne

On Monday we celebrated our final 2014 SHINE sessions. The girls really enjoyed the beautifully set table, the delicious meal and the wonderful service. A huge thank you to Mrs McDonald and her hospitality students! The elegant setting is hoped to make the girls feel valued and it achieved this admirably! After the meal, we had a discussion about the value of Shine. The first question posed was “Is Shine Valuable?”. Some of the responses were:

• It helped me to gain more patience and tolerance;
• Shine helped me deal with people better;
• Sometimes I’m not comfortable about talking with parents and this allowed me to discuss those topics with others;
• Shine made me feel good about myself when I felt down;
• I could make new friends, be myself and share my thoughts.

“What would be your best advice for next year’s Year 9’s?”

• If you find it difficult to talk, just talk anyway.
• Make others feel comfortable and then the talking will happen
• Even when you feel rejected, try to be friendly. School is only for a while – you will still have the rest of your life.
• If you are mean, it will reflect negatively on you.
• Sit next to different people.
• Be yourself.
• If someone tries to start on you, don’t retaliate, just mind your own business and ignore it.
• Be organised. Be on top of all your school work so you can go to Shine every week.

Thank you again to Zonta for their generous financial donations and we really enjoyed having Zonta Ladies personally visiting and helping with our lessons. Thank you to Alex who came along and did make-up lessons when she could. Our youth benefit from Gladstone’s generous community. Thank you
**Position Vacant**

Resource Processing Trainee  
[18 month tenure]

We are seeking applications from motivated candidates with an aptitude for manual work to be employed for an 18-month Traineeship (Cert II in Resource Processing) within our Production Department. This unique learning opportunity commencing in late January 2015, aligns with GPC’s local employment strategies and aims to provide experience in unloading and material handling at terminals, manual operation of various equipment and Safety & Quality Systems. In demonstrating your drive for results, social influencing and problem solving capabilities, you will be provided the opportunity to learn skills and gain various machinery tickets to function in a heavy equipment, coal based industry. Applicants will be required to demonstrate experience in:

- general labouring & aptitude for machinery work
- work safely in accordance with GPC’s policies and procedures;

- be 18 years of age by May 2015 to obtain Machinery Tickets;
- hold a current manual Qld Driver’s Licence (C Class); and
- have the ability to hold a Maritime Security Identification Card (MSIC).

To view a copy of the full advertisement, position description and application form please visit our website www.gpcl.com.au.

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**Award Winners**

**Award**

- Most Outstanding Contribution to Culture
- Best on Air Award
- Hose Shed Service Encouragement Award Year 10
- Hose Shed Service Encouragement Award Year 11
- Hose Shed Service Encouragement Award Year 12
- NRG Student of the Year for Service
- NGR Student of the Year for Service
- Technical College Service Encouragement Award

**Academic Subject Award**

- Drama
- Early Childhood Practices
- Engineering Studies
- Engineering Technology
- English
- English Communication
- French
- Furnishing Studies
- Geography
- History
- Industrial Graphics
- Information & Communication Technology
- Information Processing & Technology
- Japanese
- Marine Aquatic Practices
- Marine Studies
- Mathematics A
- Mathematics B
- Mathematics C
- Modern History
- Music
- Physical Education
- Physical Recreation
- Physics
- Prevocational Mathematics
- Science in Practice
- Visual Art
- Visual Studies
- Industrial Graphics

**Recipient**

- Georgia Stephensen
- Arle Apoaon
- Guy Schulz
- Eryn Parker
- Breeannon Roberts
- Jane O'Brien
- Brodie Kettle
- Nicholas McKenzie
- Taylah Crosbie
- Jade Wright
- Lara Humadi
- Aksh Dave
- Aime Parker
- Varsicka Kularadhan
- Adam Parker
- Samuel Crighton
- Rachel Donovan
- Bree Dunn
- Olivia Ferlua
- Christopher Gostevsky
- Corey Kast
- Angela Keech
- Annalise Carr
- Aidan Burdett
- Ellie-May Billiau
- Jason Kemp
- Hannah Gregory
- Adam Parker
- Matilda Lodder
- Edwina Dodder
- Ella Hoff
- Samantha Horton
- Kenneth Koefler
- Jessica Greenough
- Teagan Lothian
- Kayla Skrinnikoff
- Lucy Champion
- Hannah Gregory
- Samuel Hart
- Taylah Crosbie
- Clair Lewis
- Taylah Crosbie
- Hannah Gregory
- Georgia Stephensn
- Rachel Donovan
- Ashley Tawera
- Kenneth Koefler
- Jorjia Alexander
- Jayden Harwood
- Lahn Crooks
- Kayla Skrinnikoff
- Danielle Nation
- Jason Kemp
- Breana Smith
- Ainsley Downie
- Jack Ireland
- Skye Alexander
- Trevor Corrigan
- Lindsay Mathison
- Bree Dunn
- Matilda Lodder
- Kiarra Hansen

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Scholastic Orders
If you would like to support the GSHS library, please collect a Scholastic order booklet from the front counter in the library and buy some books for Christmas!!! Orders and money due to Ms Hipathite in the library by December 1.

Back To School
Back to School 2015 is made simple at Office National Gladstone. Go to www.officenational.com.au/ong, click on school booklists then Gladstone State High to see the school requirements. Add what you need to the cart. Order now collect and pay later. Special prices start on December 1. Online orders placed in December will go in the running for a prize.

Year 8 Laptop Program 2015
POSITION VACANT
We have a limited number of spaces available for our 2015 Year 8 Laptop Class. The cost of the program over 3 years is $1410. Students and parents should discuss the program with our Deputy Principal, Narelle Madden before choosing to apply. If your child is selected, your acceptance form and payment of $800 must be received by Friday 28 November. Further information is available on inquiry.

Interschool Touch Results
A massive congratulations once again to the Open Girls who won the competition, and also the Year 9/10 Boys who completely outclassed Chanel on Tuesday with a victory in the Grand Final with a victory of 7-2. Well done to Mr Kim’s Year 8 team

Award Winners continued...
Sport Encouragement Award  Damala Rhys Cornielje
Sport Encouragement Award  Kougari Hayden McKenzie
Sport Encouragement Award  Kougari Kaitlin Weekes
Sport Encouragement Award  Parnka Fayte Stratton
Sport Encouragement Award  Parnka Eryn Parker
Sport Encouragement Award  Tyalan Joshua Vernon
Sport Encouragement Award  Tyalan Denzi Petry
Sports Achiever Award  Keely Watts

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State Schools Onstage

It’s that time again! We are calling for nominations from student vocalists, dancers, musicians, choirs, stage and film crew.

Students are also encouraged to nominate stand-alone items including dance teams, rock bands, instrumental ensembles, percussion groups, rappers and cultural acts. If you have a unique performance act, we want to know about it!

Nominations are also open for Creative Generation Excellence Awards in Instrumental Music (MOST) 2015. MOST is a 10-day residential camp for musically outstanding students from Queensland state secondary schools. The program extends gifted and talented instrumental music students through a series of intensive rehearsals, workshops, tutorials and performances with professional conductors, instructors and tutors.

Instrumental students may also nominate to be a part of The James Morrison Creative Generation Big Band. Please see the school based coordinator, Miss Strudwick, to nominate and arrange to film an audition. For vocal and instrumental questions, please see Miss Clifton. These teachers can be found in the Arts staffroom. Call 49766168 if you have any questions.

Key Times 2014
12th Dec  Nominations and audition footage due for all vocalists and dancers
13th Dec  Nominations and documentation due for student stage crew 2015
16th Feb  Featured and backing vocalists – 1st call back notice
18th Feb  Featured dance audition invitations issued
27th Feb  Nominations and audition footage due for MOST and CGEN symphony orchestra
6th March  Featured and backing vocalists – 2nd call back notice
8th March  Featured dance auditions (Brisbane)
23rd March  Invitations for symphony orchestra issued
25th March  Invitations out to join the C-Gen Team – featured and backing vocalists
27th April  Student stage crew invitations issued
14th July  Stage crew info session at B Cec
15th – 18th July  Full cast technical and dress rehearsal, matinee and evening performances

Gladstone State High School has participated in C-Gen nine consecutive years! Pretty impressive for a regional school!
HONESTY
• Be truthful and sincere
• Be trustworthy
• Admit your mistakes
• Learn by your mistakes
• Seek truth, good and right

VALUES
To empower students to reach their full potential through quality learning experiences in a supportive and challenging school environment.

RESPONSIBILITY
• Give your best
• Be dependable
• Make appropriate choices
• Be fair • Have a go
• Take your opportunity to lead, otherwise be a good team member

EXCELLENCE
• Doing your best
• Seek to accomplish something worthy and admirable
• Try hard
• Keep trying and pursue excellence
• Expect high standards

RESPECT
• Value yourself and others
• Respect your environment
• Act and speak courteously to everyone
• Be kind to animals
• Foster good relationships
• Foster school pride

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SAFETY
• Look out for yourself and others
• Practice safe and hygiene habits
• Follow the rules

PROCEDURE FOR STUDENT ABSENCES
If your student is away for any reason there are several ways of notifying the school.

• Phone on 07 4976 6158
• Email on absentees@gladstonshs.eq.edu.au
• Use the notification slip in the Newsletter each week
• Use the slip in your student’s diary
• Text absences on 0407096034

We appreciate and thank you for your cooperation.

Student Absence Notification

Student Name: __________________________
Care Group: __________________________
Date:            /           /
Reason (Circle):  Sick   Personal   Family   Other
Date:            /           /
Reason (Circle):  Sick   Personal   Family   Other
Date:            /           /
Reason (Circle):  Sick   Personal   Family   Other
Parent’s Signature: __________________________

Start dates 2015
Monday 26 January – Public Holiday
Tuesday 27 January – Yrs 7, 8 & 12
also Mentors from Yrs 10 & 11, & School Leaders
Wednesday 28 January – whole school
Tuesday 27th January - NRG
Year 11 Students to start

2014 TONKA ON SALE NOW
$20 PAY AT OFFICE

SCHOOL PAYMENTS
PLEASE BE AWARE THAT ALL EFTPOS TRANSACTIONS HAVE A $10 CARD LIMIT

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