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Uniform Shop opening hours

MONDAY 8:15-11:15
WEDNESDAY 11:00 - 2:00
FRIDAY 8:15-11:15

Phone Chris on (07) 4976 6193

Order Forms and Pricing Forms can be collected from the front office or found in Enrolment Packs

NOTE CANTERBURY SHORTS ARE NOW IN STOCK AT THE UNIFORM SHOP!

The Uniform Shop has great specials on the older style fleecy jumper, going out for only $15.00!!! Sizes available are 4,6,8,10,16,18 and 22. Be quick and dont miss out on this great saving.

SHOP CLOSED 1ST OF APRIL 2015 AND RE-OPENING ON 20TH APRIL 8:15am SEE YOU THERE!

Words from our Principal

The first term of the year has come to a close with a great Cross Country event held on Tuesday. It was great to see the enthusiasm with which many of our students participated. It was nice of some of the year 7s to ask if I was running. Bless them for thinking I could.

The business end of the term is interim reports. These are a guide to how your student/s are progressing. Teachers have been contacting parents of student who we consider are at risk of failure. This is so that your student has the time to turn things around before the Semester Report. This is especially significant for our year 12 students. In just over 6 months they will be finished their time at school. The year 12 class should be concentrating on ensuring they receive a Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) at the conclusion of their 12 years of schooling. There are very specific criteria that students have to meet to receive one of these and these include passes in literacy and numeracy. If you require more details about the QCE, you can contact the Head of Senior School, Mr Hooley.

One of the school improvement focusses for 2015 is COMMUNITY AND CONNECTION. The year 12 senior leaders are indeed leading the way with their #getamongstit2015 school life. Tonight will see a whole school movie night for those students who are eligible. It will be a great way to celebrate the end of a busy term.

You may start to see some STATE HIGH stickers adorning cars around Gladstone. This is a great way to show the people of Gladstone that we are proud of our school. You can pick up a sticker at the front office and all new enrolments will receive one upon enrolment as a welcome to the State High community.

One of the great parts about State High is the sense of pride that many of its graduates feel about their association with the school. I have met many people in town who are very happy with the education they got at State High and are very prepared to tell me that it's a great school. State High is built on tradition, excellence and providing opportunities for its students. Parents of the school expect that our standards are kept high. This particularly is important when we consider the standard of presentation and uniform. From the formal uniform to day uniform, it is important that when our students are out and about they remember that their actions reflect on all who wear the blue and gold. Standards of personal appearance are important at school and will be in the work place. Even adults have to adhere to standards of dress, footwear and personal presentation in the work place.

Our dress code states that ”we encourage predominantly natural haircolours” yet I am starting to see very vibrant hair dyes creeping in to the school. I have raised this issue with the parent body of the school and their feedback is that they too believe the standard should be natural colours. In order to assist with ensuring there is a clear statement about our expectations, the issue will be raised and the dress code amended if parents are in agreement at the next P&C meeting. All parents who are members of the P&C are encouraged to have input into this issue. My commitment is to contribute to maintaining and building a school that is committed to standards that reflect well for the reputation of the school in the community.

I hope that you enjoy a pleasant Easter break – it’s a great time to get away – the weather a bit milder and it has the added advantage of being enhanced by chocolate. I will fly to South Korea to represent Gladstone State High School on the Australian Principals’ Korean Study Tour. I look forward to learning more about this beautiful country and experiencing some of their culture.
Quick News

Year 12 Special Provision
Any year 12 students wishing to apply for special provision for the Queensland Core Skills (QCS) Test, please see either Mr Jackson or Mrs Dalton for more information.

GSHS Careers Bulletin
GSHS now has available a careers website and fortnightly careers information bulletins. The website is available at www.gladstonecareers.com and will be updated regularly. The careers information bulletins will be emailed fortnightly to all parents/careers as well as students in Years 10, 11 and 12. There will also be hard copies at the office for parents who do not have email access.

Careers Corner
Cert II in Resources and Infrastructure Work Program
The Cert II in Resources and Infrastructure Work Program is suitable for male and female students looking for careers within the resources sector in various trades including Auto Electricians, Diesel Fitters, Operators, Cerpenters, Boilermakers, Fixed Plant and mobile machinery engineer, geologist, surveyor.

The program will commence on 9/5/15 so that students are on track to complete by 10 October 2015.

The program exposes students to a range of entry level knowledge and skills within the Minerals and Energy Sector as they undertake a practical project that simulates workplace practice.

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For this reason, we invite you to take part in our Parent/Teacher Interviews to be held on Monday May 4, 2015 for all year levels between 3.30 and 6.00pm in F Block. An information letter will be sent home with students’ reports which you should receive early in the week commencing Monday April 27 2015. This includes details on how to make appointments using the web based booking system, Parent Teacher Online. The link to the system can be found on the school website: www.gladstoneshs.eq.edu.au . If you do not have access to a computer you can phone the school on 4976130 to make appointments over the phone.

Appointments must be booked with the teacher before the day and, to avoid disappointment, it is advised to book as early as possible. Bookings can only be made from 9:00am Monday April 27 through to 8:00pm Monday May 4, 2015.

Parent/Teacher Interviews are a wonderful opportunity to discuss your student’s progress at school. Some points you may like to raise in the interview are:

- Ways of working with your student towards improvement in achievement.
- Specific areas of your student’s strengths.
- Specific area in which your student is experiencing difficulty.
- How much effort is my student putting into the subject?
- What type of homework should I be monitoring?
- How is my student progressing in life long skills such as teamwork, communication, leadership, organisation, literacy, good manners and so on?
- How is my student progressing socially?

We look forward to seeing you there

Well done Jack!
Congratulations goes out to one of our year 10 students Jack on the amazing efforts with his swimming.
Jack qualified for the maximum 8 individual events over the 3 days, and contested the finals in:
- 50 Freestyle
- 50 Backstroke
- 50 Butterfly
- 50 Breaststroke
- 100 Freestyle
- 100 Backstroke
- 200 Individual Medley
- 200 Freestyle

He ended the championships with 7 individual State medals, even taking Gold as the QLD School Champion 2015 (16-19 years) in the 50 Butterfly.

Jack won State medals in the following Finals Events:
- Bronze - 50 Backstroke, 100 Backstroke, 200 Individual Medley, 200 Freestyle.
- Silver - 50 Freestyle, 100 Freestyle
- Gold - 50 Butterfly.

He also finished in 4th place in the final of the 50 Breaststroke.

At the end of the meet, Jack was selected to compete at School Sport Australia Swimming Championships, as a team member of the QLD Swimming Team. This event doubles as The Pacific Games, with over 20 countries set to compete from the Asia – Pacific Region.

Also, this weekend, Jack will be heading to Sydney to compete at The Australian Swimming Championships (televised on channel 10... how exciting) amongst all of the current Australian Swimming Team... What an awesome experience!

Well done Jack! Gladstone State High is very proud of you!
To empower students to reach their full potential through quality learning experiences in a supportive and challenging school environment.

VALUES
• Empower
• Respect
• Honesty
• Responsibility

RESPONSIBILITY
• Value yourself and others
• Respect your environment
• Value others
• Respect diversity

EXCELLENCE
• Do your best
• Try hard
• Keep trying and pursue excellence
• Expect high standards

RESPECT
• Be fair
• Have a go

HONESTY
• Be trustworthy
• Admit your mistakes

SAFETY
• Look out for yourself and others
• Practise safe and hygienic habits

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

DID YOU KNOW
GROW is a unique group that offers mutual support and personal development and friendship to people experiencing a range of life situations including loss of a job or loved one, a relationship breakdown, loneliness or for any other reason.

Student Absent from School:
Parents are required to authorise all student absences. This can be done by the following ways:
- Email – absentees@gladstonshs.eq.edu.au
- Phone: 49766158
- Written Note
- Notification Slip found in Newsletter (to the left of this article)
- Text Messaging Only – 0407 096 034 (reply only to schools text message)

Details that need to be included on each of these are:
* Student’s Full Name
* Care Class
* Date/s
* Reason

• Anglicare, 50 Young Street, Gladstone welcomes anyone over 18 years.
• This is a free program and welcomes anyone over 18 years.
• Angiecare, 50 Young Street, Gladstone on Fridays [10am to 12pm]
• Contact Lynn on 0418 189 533 or www.grown.org.au.

AgForce – School to Industry Partnership Program (SIPP) and Central Queensland University (CQU) invites secondary students to an informal barbecue dinner and conversation about career pathways with those already involved in the agriculture industry.

Young leaders from the Beef Industry will be in attendance as well as other representative from a range of organisations including AgForce & Department of Agriculture and Fisheries.

This event will provide students looking forward to a career in agriculture information on career pathways and a greater understanding of the diverse and exciting job options available in the industry.

Where: Rockhampton State High School, 1 Campbell Street, Rockhampton
Date: 3 May 2015
Time: 5.00pm – 7pm
RSVP: To futureag@agforceqld.org.au

AgForce – School to Industry Partnership Program (SIPP) invites students and parents to Career Snapshots – Your Agri-Future.

Young agriculture industry professionals will present career snapshots providing an insight into the diverse range of career options available in agriculture and real-life career pathways into the industry. The speakers will represent varied aspects of the agriculture industry from producers and policy makers to researchers, teachers and marketers.

The event will provide students looking forward to a career in agriculture real-life examples of career roles and pathways and a greater understanding of the diversity of exciting career options available in the industry.

Where: James Lawrence Pavilion, Rockhampton Showgrounds
Date: 4 May 2015
Time: 1:30pm – 3:30pm
RSVP: To futureag@agforceqld.org.au

Gladstone Link, Anywhere Healthcare
• New programs are available that focus on children who experience symptoms of anxiety.
• Delivered via video conferencing and are free to people in the Gladstone Region.
• Cool Little Kids Program: for parents of shy or anxious children aged 3 to 6 years and is designed to help provide parents with the skills to build their child’s confidence.
• Cool Kids: for children 9 to 12 years who present with elevated levels of anxiety (separation anxiety, specific phobias, social phobia or generalised anxiety) and is designed to help provide parents with the skills to build their child’s confidence.
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CAREER SNAPSHOTS – YOUR AGRI-FUTURE

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