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Chappies Chat



Chappies Chat



Chappy Week concludes Friday 20 May. We've been extra busy with games/activities in every single lunch break. Jarek ran two lots of active games in the Year 7/8 area which were thoroughly enjoyed by all (with several requests "please can we do this again").

Chappy Week



Uniform Shop

NORMAL HOURS

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

Phone Chris on:
(07) 4976 6193



Our Wednesday jam session with guitars and Djembe drums was very successful thanks to the amazing Mr Tim Andersen who led the session. We hope to make this a weekly event and may try it in various locations around the school. I am extremely excited to announce that GSHS will very soon own our own set of drums. This will allow us greater freedom to engage in extra Drumbeat activities. Today we thanked all GSHS staff for their continuous support by providing them a hearty BBQ breakfast. Our sewing group has now completed four skirts for Operation Christmas Child and the cross-stitch group are hoping to complete some items to display in the Mount Larcom Show. Next week they will make creative hair pieces. Today, Amanda (Youth Health Nurse) and I began our GirlTalk group. We began small, but have several interesting topics which we will chat about over the next five weeks. Amanda has a wealth of expertise and knowledge which she brings to this opportunity. All in all it's been an engaging and successful opportunity to highlight School Chaplaincy. Our theme of Random Acts of Kindness is something that each of us needs to be mindful of to maintain a happy and safe school community. Thanks to all those who engaged in this voluntary challenge. May each of you be blessed as you bless others.

Chappy Jarek and Yvonne

Junior Secondary Year 7 students out and about

PLEASE BE AWARE **NO GLASS WATER BOTTLES** AT SCHOOL DUE TO SAFETY REASONS

As part of the Geography unit, Place and Liveability, the Year 7 students have been out and about collecting primary data with the aim of finding out what they might do to improve the liveability of the CBD area of Gladstone. Some classes toured the central area of the city by bus making observations, before stopping at East Shores to look at a positive addition to our city. Others took to the pavement and walked Goondoon Street, dropping into the Council and GECC along the way to hear from Mayor Matt Burnett and his councillors as well as those charged with the planning of renewal in the CBD. Our students have been asked to identify what might be done to Jump-start the City Heart or improve liveability for the youth of Gladstone. The best ideas will then be presented to representatives from the Regional Council.

Yours in Junior Secondary

Jo Dahl

SCHOOL ABSENTEE LINE

4976 6158

SCHOOL OFFICE LINE

4976 6111

Trade Skills Centre opening

The Trade Skills Centre Gladstone is a cluster school program supporting Gladstone State High, Tannum Sands State High, Toolooa State High, Mt Larcom State High and Miriam Vale State School.

Currently the Trade Skills Centre offers four certificate courses: Certificate II Electrotechnology (Career Start), Certificate II in Logistics, Certificate I in Logistics, Cert I in Transport and Logistics.

The Electrotechnology program will cover competencies for work entry, grounding in safety, basic skills and knowledge for work in any electrotechnology discipline. Students will cover traditional light and power, audio/video and data, computer and network hardware, security, wireless and cabled communication systems, electronic aspects of medical equipment and sustainable/renewable energies.

For those students enrolled in logistics, their training will involve learning operations support within the Transport and Logistics Industry. They will undertake a range of tasks involving known routines and procedures and taking responsibility for the quality of work outcomes. The students will learn skills to manage the flow of goods between organisations and their customers. Students will also have the privilege to experience what it would be like to drive a truck using the truck simulator. This will expose the student to a wide variety of road, weather and traffic conditions.

The Trade Skills Centre Gladstone supports students in years 10, 11 and 12 studying a Vocational Education and Training (VET) certificate. These certificates include on-the-job learning as well as simulated learning experiences to improve their employability and further study in their chosen field.

Welcome to Gladstone State High School

Gladstone State High School is a dynamic, progressive and internationally accredited school which meets the needs of 21st century learners. Our school focuses on the development of positive relationships with students and the community, diverse and individual pathways for students, quality responsive teaching, improved learning and innovation. We have a strong focus on school improvement and the creation of quality pathways for all.

Our Vision:

Clever, skilled and creative students making healthy choices.

Our Purpose:

To provide students with the knowledge, skills and confidence to maximise their potential enabling them to make a positive contribution to society.

Our Values:

We value and build on our strong traditions of excellence, resilience and inclusiveness in a productive learning and teaching environment, where we are respectful, safe, responsible and engaged

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Careers Corner

Work Experience 2016

The work experience programme for 2016 has been opened and forms are now available from Senior Schooling for students who wish to attend placements. Cost is \$40 and students must be 14 years old. Medical and Gladstone Ports Corporation Limited work experience is available also. Forms will NOT be accepted during lesson time or without payment first. Please see Mrs Christopoulos in Senior Schooling.



WORK
EXPERIENCE

Indigenous Apprenticeship Programme 2016 Intake

The Indigenous Apprenticeships Programme (IAP) is advertising a wide range of apprenticeship opportunities for 2016.

The positions are only open to applicants who are Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians. Any students who are interested should see Mrs Christopoulos in Senior Schooling K Block during break times for further information.



EXPERIENCE

EDUCATION

CONNECTIONS

MARKETABILITY

AMBITION

Road Safety Rules with the WIN Class

On Thursday 12th May, some of our senior students had a fantastic opportunity to understand road safety rules and clarify many doubts before they venture out on Australian roads. The NRMA –WIN (Welcoming Intercultural Neighbours) presentation on safe driving gave students the chance to also interact with local police officers and compare law enforcement systems in different countries. Students from Hungary, Philippines, Thailand, Solomon Islands, India, Sri Lanka, Jamaica, Dubai and Egypt asked questions and gained a better understanding of road rules, alcohol and drug testing, speed limits for learners, maintaining a driving log and much more.



Red Food Day

Our first Red Food Day for 2016 was a success! Groups of State High Students swarmed the tuckshop to buy the yummy once off treats and as normal on a Red Day it was noisy, busy and lots of laughter was had! Thank you to our brilliant tuckshop team for organising this day, and running it smoothly as normal! You guys rock!!



BYOX Setup Schedule

All students that are currently enrolled in Gladstone State High School's BYOX program would have received a note in their form class over the course of the term with a scheduled time to complete the setup and installation of the BYOX program on their laptops.

Any students enrolled in the program that have missed their scheduled appointment should see the technicians in F Block before school or during either lunch break to arrange a suitable time to have the installation completed.



BYOX
BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE



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Quick News

Interact Club Support

The Gladstone State High School Interact Club students are taking part in Relay For Life again this year to help raise funds in the fight against cancer. Help us achieve our fundraising goal of \$1500.00 by purchasing a raffle ticket to win a brand new Lexus IS 250, a holiday in Fiji, or an exciting golf getaway! Enter this unique Relay code to make sure all funds raised are allocated to our Relay For Life team.

Relay Code: 1210648

Every dollar raised helps Cancer Council Queensland fund life saving research and help beat cancer. Thanks for your support.

www.winalexus.com.au/Gladstone

The club is also hosting a BBQ out the front of Coles at Stockland on Sunday May 29. Come along and buy a sausage and a drink with all profits going to the Relay for Life team.

Thanks for any support you can provide.



Defence Force Work Experience

3 Combat Service Support Battalion (3CSSB) at Lavarack Barracks Townsville are offering a 5 day work experience placement from 23rd - 27th May.

There are still a number of places available on this activity and I would appreciate it if you could promote this opportunity to your students.

3CSSB provides transport, supply and maintenance support to the 3rd Brigade to enable it to deliver combat and combat support functions. 3CSSB is a diverse unit made up of officers and soldiers from 12 Corps comprising 42 different employment categories, including vehicle mechanics, fitter armourers (weapon repair), cargo specialists, driver specialists, electrical and electronics technicians to name just a few. It has a variety of equipment and vehicles which allow it to deploy rapidly into the field or on operations.

Students will gain a broad experience of life in an Army workshop, a warehouse and store, working with protected and 'soldier-moving' vehicles and working with larger bulk freight vehicles. Students will participate in physical training (PT) with the soldiers, as well as the broader range of Army soldier skills. Students will also spend time at Battalion Headquarters; here they will have exposure to Officers and this will be of interest to those students who are thinking about this stream. Students may have an opportunity to participate in a shoot at the Weapons Training Simulation System (WTSS) and eat lunch at one of the Mess facilities on base.

This is an ideal placement for students who are interested in an Army career but are undecided or not sure about different job roles. This placement will expose them to 40+ job roles whilst also giving them a good look at the Army lifestyle.

Visit <http://defencecareers.nga.net.au> for Information and to apply for this placement.

Please note that unfortunately we are unable to assist with transport and accommodation; interested students from outside the Townsville area must organise their own transport to and accommodation in Townsville in order to participate.

For more information you can contact our Senior Schooling staff Liz Christopoulos or our Guidance Officer Luke Jackson.

Nurse News

World No Tobacco Day 31st May 2016: Get ready for plain packaging. Did you know Australia was the first country in the world to implement plain packaging? We are world leaders.



Plain packaging reduces the attractiveness of tobacco products, restricts packaging as a form of advertising, limits misleading packaging and labelling, and increases the effectiveness of health warnings. The World Health Organisation is encouraging all countries to follow Australia with plain packaging to fight against the devastating toll of tobacco.

The global tobacco epidemic kills nearly 6 million people each year, of which more than 600 000 are non-smokers dying from breathing second-hand smoke. Unless we act, the epidemic will kill more than 8 million people every year by 2030. More than 80% of these preventable deaths will be among people living in low-and middle-income countries.

We encourage Australians to quit smoking together for World No Tobacco Day on Sunday 31st May 2016.

Quitline is available from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, Monday to Friday from anywhere in Australia for the cost of a local call (except for mobile phones – normal charges apply).

Your call is confidential. This means you don't have to give your name if you don't want to.

Ph 13 78 48

For more information please contact your School Based Youth Health Nurse.

Amanda van der Wegen
Ph 4976 6171



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Dates to Remember

29th May - 3rd June - Out-back Safari

10th June - Readers cup

13th - 17th June - Yr 11/12 Exam Block

20th - 24th June - Early Childhood year 12 workplacement

22nd - 23rd June - Athletics Carnival

25th June - 10th July - School Holidays

19th July - Volunteering New Auckland Place

25th - 29th July - Work Experience block two

30th July - Relay For Life



SCHOOL PAYMENTS

BPOINT - AVAILABLE FOR PAYING INVOICES. PLEASE SEE BOTTOM OF INVOICES FROM NOW ON OR YOU CAN REQUEST AN EMAILED COPY FROM THE FRONT OFFICE

- PLEASE BE AWARE THAT WE DO NOT PROCESS EFTPOS TRANSACTIONS UNDER THE LIMIT OF \$10

Work as a polling official and make votes count

Temporary positions are available in your local area to work on election day.

Even if you haven't worked on an election we want to hear from you. Training is provided.

For more information visit www.aec.gov.au/polling-officials or call 13 23 26.

We are seeking registrations for:

- polling officials 7am until finish of counting
- temporary office assistants (before and after polling day)
- temporary assistants for polling night

If you are interested please register online at the website above and contact our office on 4976 9011.

www.aec.gov.au/polling-officials 13 23 26



Guidance Officer News

Brisbane University Tour

In week 1 of this term twenty-eight Year 12 students, accompanied by Mr Hooley and Mrs Dalton attended Gladstone SHS' first Brisbane University Tour. The students had the opportunity to attend tours and presentations at the University of Queensland (UQ), Queensland University of Technology (QUT) and Griffith University (GU) including accommodation options on campus at UQ and QUT - Kelvin Grove. Students also practised important skills for independent living such as navigating on foot around Brisbane City, using public transport such as bus, train and ferry, and using a GO card. An exciting moment for three students was their first experience of a plane trip. Past Gladstone SHS and other Gladstone students shared their experiences of living in Brisbane and attending university over dinner at the accommodation on the first night as well as being tour guides for the group at the University of Queensland and its colleges. Students also enjoyed some free time to shop and eat in Queen Street Mall and Indooroopilly Shopping Centre. The Brisbane City YHA provided a perfect location for easy access to the city and all universities. Following the tour many students reported feeling more informed and inspired about the universities, courses and accommodation options available to them in Brisbane. Gladstone SHS plans to make this tour a yearly event for future Year 12 students.



GSHS CORE VALUES

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

HONESTY

- Be truthful and sincere
- Be trustworthy
- Admit your mistakes
- Learn by your mistakes
- Seek truth, good and right

SAFETY

- Look out for yourself and others
- Practise safe and hygienic habits
- Follow the rules



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