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Chappy Chat!

Its been a busy few weeks here for me at Gladstone State High School. Last week saw the year 7 & 8 students participate in the Auslife program . The program which focused on self-esteem and involved simulation activities, videos, games and small group discussions helped the students think about their own self-esteem and how positive thinking in difficult situations can improve your self-esteem.

This week I've had the privilege of being involved in some of the year 12 graduation activities, being able to both sing and give a short speech at the Monday Celebration service was an awesome experience, and on Wednesday I was able to be a part of the Red Frogs recovery breakfast for the year 12s. Big congratulations to all our graduates this year!

The two boys' groups I have been running alongside Andrew our School based police officer and Chappy Yvonne have been going great! The boys are very much stepping up to the challenges they are being given and I'm looking forward to seeing how they go with the last few weeks. "

- Jarek

SHINE continues and today we were absolutely blessed as Kathy Coronos from Australian Etiquette School generously gave of her time, expertise and products. Girls learnt how to stand comfortably and gracefully with poise, discussed cost-effective beauty care, the importance of respect and made several gifts. The girls say, "We would like to say a great thank you for all her help and assistance"

As I said in last week's newsletter: "We are so fortunate to have such a generous community in Gladstone".

Our Year 12 Celebration was successful thanks to the hard work of Port City Church in providing a free morning tea for all those in attendance as well as providing an intimate venue. The band and singing was awesome and thoroughly enjoyed by all. Students were encouraged to be proud of their achievements and to reflect on their journey to this point. Reflection is a must in our lives so that we can realign ourselves with our values and act differently in the future. Reflection allows us to have compassion on ourselves as well as on others in our lives and that gives us the courage to face challenges, enjoy our successes and recognise that we don't always "get it right". The service allowed time for parents and their teenager to share a very special time through cards or letters as well as in person. The feedback I've received is that this service should definitely continue in future years.

Please hold the 2015 graduates in your prayers as they celebrate over the next week.

- Chappy Yvonne

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



Student
Absentee Line
4976 6158



Quick News

Enrolments 2016

We are currently looking at numbers and forming classes and lines for 2016 so it is imperative that families in our catchment area enrol their children as soon as possible.

Gladstone State High School is enrolment managed. Only families living within our enrolment catchment are eligible to enrol. Please see the Catchment Map <http://www.qgso.qld.gov.au/maps/edmap/>. If you are unsure or need assistance with this please contact the school office on 4976 6111.

We are asking families who have not already enrolled their child for 2016 to please come into the office to enrol as soon as possible. **IMPORTANT:** Please bring with you proof of residence; this can include Electricity Invoice, current Council Rates Notice or a lease agreement. If you do not have any of these items please contact the school for further advice.

Upon receiving your completed enrolment form you will be contacted to arrange an enrolment interview. Interviews take approximately 15 minutes.

Should you have any queries in relation to enrolling at Gladstone State High School please feel free to contact the school.



Year 10 Informal and Year 10/11 last day activities

Year 10 Informal:

Date: Monday November 23rd

Time: 5pm until 10pm

Venue: Grand Hotel Function Room (Grand Ballroom)

Cost: \$60.00, this includes: Platters on arrival, buffet dinner, dessert, soft drink, entertainment and glow/LED-novelty

Dress: Semi formal

Payment due: By Wednesday November 18th

Enquiries: Rob Grayson 4976 6179 or email rgray30@eq.edu.au

Year 10 and 11 Last Day:

Venue:

1) Gladstone Cinemas

9:30am Arrive after walking from school

9:30am - 9:45am Drinks and popcorn pre film

12:30pm Film finishes

12:30pm-1pm Walk from Cinemas to Pool

2) Gladstone Aquatic Centre

1pm-2:45pm Aquatic Centre

3) School

2:45pm Leave Aquatic Centre and return to school

Cost:

1) Gladstone Cinemas: Students will require \$14.00 to be paid at Gladstone Cinemas. This includes movie, drink and popcorn.

2) Gladstone Aquatic Centre: Students will require \$8.00 to be paid to the front office cashier on Wednesday November 25th

Dress: School Uniform

Enquires: Rob Grayson or Braiden Ruge 49766179 rgray30@eq.edu.au or bruge3@eq.edu.au

Applies to both events...

Behaviour: As this is a school function normal school rules apply, Students will not be allowed to leave the venue until 10pm

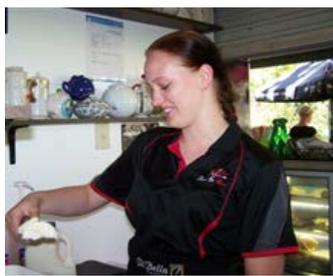
Refund Policy: Deposits will only be refunded after the closing date if the school cancels the excursion or there is another student on the waiting list. Refunds on future payments for this excursion will only be refunded if the final cost of the excursion does not require subsidy by the school or other students. The school refund policy is available on the schools website www.gladstonshs.eq.edu.au

Permission Slip: Please return permission slip to the box located outside Year Co-ordinators staffroom

Serving up success!

EQIP Technical College will be providing students the opportunity of gaining their Certificate II in Hospitality that will provide you with entry – level hospitality skills to be able to work in a café as a barista or waiter. This course teaches you a range of operational skills including food and beverage service, communication, RSA – Responsible Service of Alcohol and coffee making skills (barista)Also in preparing simple dishes or sandwiches. Learn how to provide excellent customer service and important knowledge in safe work practices, hygiene and food safety.

For further information Contact Karen or Natasha at the Technical College 49766175



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Quick News

TONKA, TONKA, TONKA

Pre-order your copy of this year's Tonka magazine from the office. This year's edition will be packed full of photos of you, your classmates and awesome events from this year. It will be a great keepsake and record of your year at State High!

Cost is \$20 per copy. To secure your copy of the Tonka please bring your money to the front office.

LIBRARY NEWS

Reminder that all textbooks need to be returned to the library as soon as you have finished your assessment.

Start date 2016!

The Department has changed the start date for 2016 school year. With the number of students at Gladstone SHS we will again have a staggered start.

Wednesday 27 January – Yr7, 8, 11, 2016 Yr10 Peer Mentors and Yr12 School Leaders (Captains, Vice Captains, House Captains and Executive Committee)

Thursday 28 January – Whole School

Please find attached the link to the Departments Start Date change for 2016
http://education.qld.gov.au/public_media/calendar/2016-2020.html



Arts Alumni Performer Steph McIntyre

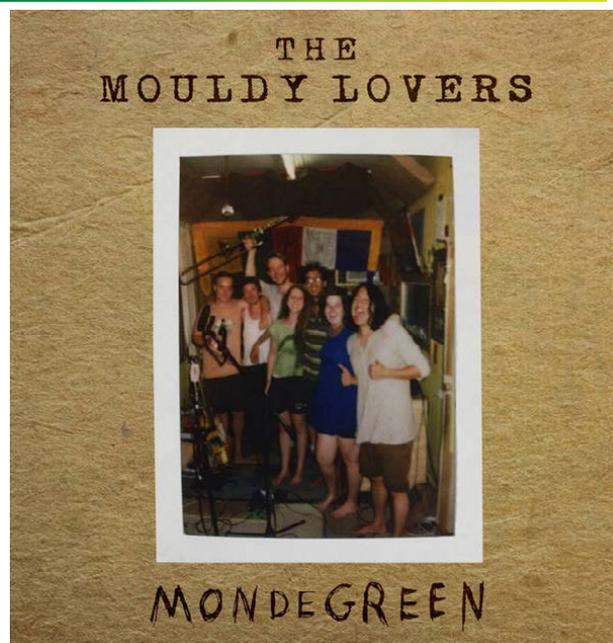
• Steph graduated from GSHS in 2011. She went on to study a Bachelor of Popular Music at Griffith University on the Gold Coast and graduated in 2014.

Opportunities from the course - being surrounded by creative people lead to forming the band 'Sneaky Picnic'. Immersing themselves in the local music scene, they went on to play some big festivals such as Surfers Paradise Festival 2013, Red Deer Festival 2013 and Big Day Out 2013 & 2014. They released their debut EP in 2013, receiving great reviews and rotation on several radio stations. All of this was made possible through the huge amount of industry knowledge gained throughout the course as well as the constant support of lecturers.

By networking with peers (and a lot of practice on the drums) Steph was given the opportunity to join Australia's top brass band, Brisbane Excelsior. In 2013 the band was invited to play at the Shanghai International Tourism Festival where they performed to a live audience of 2.5 million people with the addition of it being live streamed to a further 10 million.

Currently Steph is gigging around Brisbane and performing at festivals up and down the east coast with the Brisbane based Ska band, The Mouldy Lovers. When she's not rehearsing, gigging or writing music, she hangs out under the sea with turtles, manta rays, sharks and a huge array of weird and wonderful creatures as she trains to be a dive master. The next step is to be a certified scuba diving instructor!

Check out more information and maybe sign up for Drum lessons with Steph - <http://justpercussion.com.au/lessons-stephm>



BYOx Device 2016

"Bring your own device (BYOx) refers to technology models where students bring a personally owned device to school for the purpose of learning. A personally owned device is any technology device brought into the school and owned by a student (or the student's family), staff or guests". Put simply, BYOx is a solution where students quite literally bring their own device to school in order to access the Internet and/or school network through a managed Wi-Fi connection. There are various models for BYOx which can be adopted. In 2016, Gladstone SHS is permitting laptop devices meeting a certain specification to connect to the School's wireless network to enable students to access classroom content.

Students with BYOx devices will have access to a filtered Internet connection, access to classroom content, and a connection to printers within the School. All devices are maintained by the owner of the device and any loss, theft or damage is the responsibility of the student and their family. The school accepts no responsibility or liability for the device. All BYOx participants must adhere to the rules set out in the signed BYOx User Agreement, as well as follow the rules outlined in the Acceptable Use Agreements for the Internet and Mobile Devices signed by all families upon enrolment.

More information will be provided at information sessions on Tuesday 1 December, 3.30-4.00pm in the school lecture theatre (F Block) or contact Narelle Hayne, Deputy Principal 49766111.

To register your interest in participating in 2016 email byox@gladstonshs.eq.edu.au



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Career Corner

Work Experience

Work Experience at Gladstone Port Authority – 30/11/15 TO 4/12/15 or 7/12/15 TO 11/12/15 Any Year 10 or Year 11 students who are interested in doing work experience at Gladstone Port Authority in the last two weeks of school (30/11 to 4/12 or 7/12 to 11/12) can see Mrs Christopoulos in K Block. Placements available are:

Busy at Work

Busy at Work has an employer who is looking for a 2nd year chef, however he would be happy to look at school leavers' resumes – grade 12's. You will need to have good knife skills and preferably some basic kitchen experience and want to work in the industry.

If any students would like to apply please see Mrs C or Mr Hooley in K Block Senior Schooling staffroom.

Kmart Auto Gladstone

Kmart Auto Gladstone have a 1st and 2nd year apprenticeship available for interested students. Please see Mrs C in K Block Senior Schooling for more information.

CQ Ice Works

We are looking for 2 truck Jockeys for the Dec/ Jan School holidays. The position would include assisting our delivery drivers with there deliveries over the busy Christmas time. It would include weekend work and the successful application would need to work Christmas day and the public holidays surrounding Christmas. Please see Mrs C in K Block for more info.

Uniform Shop Open Times 2015-2016

The Gladstone State High School uniform is available on site through the P & C Uniform Shop. This shop is located on the ground floor of D-Block, directly in front of the main stairs leading up to the administration building. Uniform Shop contact number is (07) 4976 6193.

Normal opening hours:

Monday	8:15am to 11:15am
Wednesday	11:00am to 2:00pm
Friday	8:15am to 11:15am

Last week of school 7th – 11th December:

Monday – Friday 8:15am – 3:30pm

There will be extended hours during Year 7 Transition days. Primary schools will be notified of these.

Week before school commences:

Monday 18th January 2016 to Friday 22nd January 2016, between 8:15am and 3:30pm

First week back of every term:

Monday	8:15am – 11:15am
Tuesday	8:15am – 11:15am
Wednesday	11:00am – 2:00pm
Thursday	8:15am – 11:15am
Friday	8:15am – 11:15am

Uniform requirements

Item	Item description	How/When worn
Sports Shorts	Various styles and materials available – must have school logo on leg	Daily, pulled up at the waist, legs/waist not rolled up
Polo Shirt	Blue and Yellow with logo	Daily, sleeves unfolded
Dress Shirt	White with blue trim and logo	Daily and awards, school representative events; sleeves unfolded
Dress Shorts	Long Navy. King gee or other drill shorts not acceptable	Daily, pulled up at the waist
Skirt	Navy	Daily, pulled up at the waist
Tie	School tie – male and female	Awards and representative events
Track Pant	Navy with logo	Sports events
Fleecy pullover	Navy with logo	Daily and sports events, when required
Fleecy zipped jumper	Navy with School logo	Daily when required
Jacket	Navy, white and yellow zip up with school logo	Daily when required

Shoes must be suitable for daily wear and include a tongue and laces. It is preferable shoes be predominantly black in colour. Under no circumstances will slip on, ballet style, velcro or buckle, high heeled, or boots be accepted. White socks should be worn with shoes; or navy stockings under shorts at all times.

No alternative jumpers, particularly hoodies or highly patterned varieties will be accepted.

A reversible school hat in the students house colour is provided on enrolment. A replacement hat is available for purchase from the school office. Navy hats are available for purchase from the uniform shop as well.

Makeup and jewellery must be minimal and follow the guidelines set out in the prospectus and student diary.

Students must follow the out of uniform process should any alternatives to the above be required under special circumstances (refer to diary). A written note or other evidence must be supplied.

Thank you and look forward to seeing you in 2016.



Dates to Remember

23rd - 27th November - Yr 11 Exam Block

27th November - Yr10/11 Last day

1st/2nd December - Yr 7 2016 Orientation Day

29th November - 4th December - Year 9 Canberra Trip

11th December - Last Day of Term 4 for years 7-9

28th January - Boys Cricket 15 - 19 Years

28th January - Boys & Girls Swimming 10 - 12 Years



SCHOOL PAYMENTS
- BPOINT - NEW PROCESS AVAILABLE FOR PAYING INVOICES. PLEASE SEE BOTTOM OF INVOICES FROM NOW ON

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

Awards Day/Night photos

Congratulations Award Winners

Did you know you can go on-line to view and buy your official photos?

www.stephenmills.com.au

Allow 4 working days **AFTER** the event **IS COMPLETELY FINISHED** and **ALL AWARDS** have been presented in the School click on "Client Login" and enter the following details...

Login name; gladstone

Password; awards15

You can view, order and pay for your images on the secure site. Allow approximately 15 working days for orders to be despatched DURING THE ORDER PERIOD. If experiencing difficulty please phone 0417198690

NOTE; Offer available until March 30th 2016 after which this OFFER WILL EXPIRE and prices/delivery times and postage may vary. Images may be removed from the site.

Happy viewing and Safe Holidays.

REMINDER TO PARENTS.....

If you know your child is not attending Gladstone State High School in 2016 please phone Administration on 4976 6111 or come into the office and collect an intention to leave form. Please also return any textbooks to the library or laptops if you will not be attending in 2016. If you have changed address recently please update with the office staff by doing a change of details form. This is important for when it comes time to send out our report cards.

REMINDER TO PARENTS AND STUDENTS

Tuckshop will be closed last two days of term 4 2015.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATING CLASS OF 2015!



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



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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