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Uniform Shop

NORMAL HOURS

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

Extended Hours

Monday the 26th - 8:15 - 2:00
Tuesday the 27th - 8:15 - 12:15

Phone Chris on:
(07) 4976 6193



**Student
Absentee Line
4976 6158**

Words from the Principal

Next week will see one of the biggest celebrations of students and their achievement at State High – Awards Night. I would like to heartily congratulate all of our award recipients. I don't use the term winners – because I think that underestimates the amount of work that these students have put in to earn these awards. There is a broad range of cultural, academic, community interaction and sport achievement that will be acknowledged. This is a reflection on the quality of our students and the breadth of opportunities they have at State High. I look forward to being a part of this celebration of student achievement.

The House presentations were held on Tuesday. It was great to see our students working together in a display of school spirit. It was backed up with the tunnel ball competition and finally some brave (?) teachers completed the Nepal relay. I think these days are fundamental to the spirit and culture of a school and are another great example of what student life is like at State High.

Staff completed a day on professional development on Monday. We were very fortunate to have a group of teachers present to the staff about their work on the micro skills of teaching. These staff attended a professional development experience in Brisbane with Anita Archer, one of the best practitioners of Explicit Instruction that I have ever seen. We also heard some of the latest research by Professor John Hattie who is internationally renowned for his work on determining the effectiveness of various teaching strategies. QMEA sponsored a presentation by a life architect who spoke about value adding to gifted students and we finished with a session on improving outcomes for higher performing students. Our Special Education staff also had professional development around inclusive education practices.

We had a number sporting teams represent State High over the weekend and I was fortunate enough to be able to stop in and visit the Volleyball teams at the Brisbane Entertainment Centre. Congratulations to all of our teams and particularly to the year 7 Bronze Medallists. Our cricket team also competed on Monday and were 3rd placed in the Southern Conference. Congratulations and well done. I would also like to acknowledge the staff who supported, coached, supervised, drove buses and made it possible for these students to compete.



Christine Hills

Principal of Gladstone State High School

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Quick News

Enrolments 2016

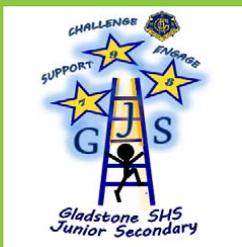
We are currently looking at numbers and forming classes and lines for 2016 so it is imperative that families in our catchment area enrol their children as soon as possible.

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.



Chappy Chat

Today we began our final SHINE group for 2015. We were supported by four ZONTA members who gave up lunch hours to talk and be involved in activities with our students. Whilst we enjoyed doing each others' nails, valuable talk centred around positive ways of looking at things and an opportunity to have some special time to chat about futures or things of concern. As a result of the chatter, the Zonta ladies will come back in early December and we will enjoy some time baking and eating! Next week we will talk about healthy relationships and what they look like. We hope to have another guest who can bring some expertise and another positive perspective.

As we move into the last term, please continue to encourage and support our students. In amongst busy lives, take a brief pause to reflect on the successes of the week. Share these to encourage each other.

Have an awesome week,
Yvonne and Jarek



AN AGES 15-19 EVENT

POETRY HIP HOP SPOKEN WORD SLAM

FRIDAY OCTOBER 30th 6PM - 9PM

Poetry Hip Hop Slam is an opportunity for young people to come share their spoken words and win awesome prizes, while raising awareness in our community about Youth Homelessness.

ENTRY FEE \$1 | AT THE DOOR \$2

Soft drink & sausage sizzle available

WHERE
JHAM Bar Live Room
1/17 Toolooa St, South Gladstone

HOW TO ENTER
Complete a registration form or contact Roseberry House on 4972 5383

Awesome prizes up for grabs including an Ipad and an Ipod, plus much more!

Roseberry Community Services Limited

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Quick News

David Burton wows year 7 students

On Thursday 15 October, all grade 7 students were treated to an entertaining session with Queensland author David Burton. He has just released his first book called "How to be Happy: A Memoir of Love, Sex and Teenage Confusion" and he theatrically presented some of his teenage memories of high school to a very engaged audience in the school's lecture theatre, where there wasn't a seat left vacant. Through his personal anecdotes, many issues were tackled including depression, friendships and relationships. Students seemed to be laughing constantly at Dave's predicaments and certainly asked plenty of curly questions at the end of the session. Grade 7s were great ambassadors for themselves, families and the school. It was a pleasure to share this experience with such a wonderfully behaved and engaged group of young people. Well done Grade 7s.



WOW!

Junior Secondary News

One of the principles of Junior Secondary is student wellbeing and to ensure smooth transitions from primary school to secondary school. With this in mind, preparation is currently underway for Transition Days which will take place on Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd December. The purpose of these days is to welcome Year 6 students to State High and to familiarise them with school staff and facilities.

On 1st and 2nd December, Year 6 students who have completed the enrolment process with our office will attend State High for both days. An outline of the days is shown below:

Time	Tuesday 1 December	Wednesday 2 December
6.30am		Volleyball Trials (class list by Period 4)
8.30am	Own transport to school Supervision at Hall (next to Oval)	Own transport/supervision at Hall Chappy Jarek & Team: Activities
Care Class	Welcome at Hall	Welcome back at Hall
Period 1 9.05-10.15am	Peer Mentor Activities	Visit different subject areas
Period 2 10.20-11.30am	Visit different subject areas (Science, Maths, Industrial Design, Home Economics, Library)	Visit different subject areas
Lunch 1	BYO Lunch Year 8 Drama Performance	BYO Lunch or Tuckshop
Period 3 12.10-1.20pm	<i>The Princess and The Frog</i> Musical	Visit different subject areas
Lunch 2	Sausage Sizzle provided	BYO Lunch or Tuckshop
Period 4 1.55-3.05pm	Volleyball School of Excellence demonstration in Hall	Visit different subject areas 2.45pm: Farewell Parade in Hall
After School	Own transport home	Own transport home
3.30pm	BYO Device Information Session, Lecture Theatre	

It will be an exciting two days with Year 6 students seeing and trying different subject areas such as Science, Drama, familiarising with our Resource Centre (Library), playing Maths Games, making a Timber Pencil Stand in Industrial Design and Technology (IDT) and experiencing Home Economics. Students will also enjoy watching the Junior Musical *The Princess and The Frog*!

Please ensure that enrolment has been completed for your Year 6 student so that they are eligible to attend our Transition Days. For enrolment information, please phone our Office on 49766111.



FOR 2016!!



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Quick News

Variation to Bus Procedures

There will be a variation to bus procedures beginning this week. Instead of lining up at numbers on the fence, students catching the first lot of buses leaving the school, will now go directly to a bus and line up. Bus doors will be closed. A teacher will check each line (orderliness, bus passes/fare) before boarding will be able to occur.

Leaving School Grounds

All students who leave the school grounds should be signed out by a parent/guardian and be collected from the school office.

If a student has a letter from their parent/guardian requesting they leave the school grounds during the day, they **MUST** take the letter to the school office **PRIOR** to Care Class to organise the correct paperwork (Official Release Slip).

On being dismissed from class (showing the Official Release Slip, the student **MUST** go to the office and sign out. **NO** person should leave the school grounds without signing out (OHS regulations).

Awards Night/Day

This letter provides important information regarding Awards Night Celebrations Awards Night is Tuesday October 27, 2015 at the Gladstone State High School Assembly Hall commencing at 7pm sharp. Tickets are on sale at the School Office – Tickets cost \$5 each. Award winners are displayed on the notice board outside the School Office and also in the Resource Centre. Students receiving an award will not need to purchase a ticket. Tickets can only be purchased at the office (not by phone or internet banking).

STUDENT CHECKLIST (before the event)

1. Are you attending? If you are not attending awards night please see Mrs Fechner, Miss Kim-Maree Lambert, Mrs McDonald ASAP.
2. Ensure that you have a complete formal uniform for Awards Night Only.
 - Formal School Shirt
 - Navy Uniform Shorts/Pants/Skirt
 - If wearing shorts/skirt wear white socks
 - Closed in shoes. Black is preferable however neutral colours are acceptable
 - Students who fail to follow the uniform guidelines may not be permitted to receive their award on awards night. If you have a problem with your uniform please see Mrs Fechner, Miss Lambert or Mrs McDonald.
3. Awards Night rehearsal on Monday 26 October, will be as follows:
 - 8:00am - Setup of chairs
 - 11:00am - Captains, Speakers (practice run through from speech book)
 - 12:10pm - Award Winners seating run through
 - 1:50pm - Singing/Bands (practice run through of entertainmen pieces at the assembly hall)
4. Awards Night rehearsal on Tuesday 27 October, will be as follows:
 - 9:05am - Captains (speech book run-through), Award winners (seating run-through), final band practice. (Students will meet at the assembly hall after care class)

Additional Information

- A photographer will be available at each event and our photographer will be Stephen Mills Photographer (07) 49791466, www.stephenmills.com.au
- He will be taking a range of group and individual photos
- After the evening these photos will be available to view on his website
- \$1 from each photo sold is being donated back to Gladstone SHS by Stephen Mills.

On behalf of our school community I would like to congratulate your student on their hard work and excellent commitment to Gladstone State High. I look forward to celebrating your achievements with you at the award ceremonies.

Please note that on Wednesday 28th October students will receive Awards Day information in their care class roles if they are receiving an award. You do not need to purchase a formal uniform for awards day, it is optional if you want to wear formal or not as per instructions on information sheet.



Career Corner

Work Experience

Attention year 10 and year 11 students. (This is not available to Year 12's).

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:

First Week – 30/11 to 4/12

Horticulture x 1
Plumber x 1
Refrigeration x 1
Marina x 1

Second Week – 7/12 to 11/12

Fitter x 2
Horticulture x 1
Marina x 1

Get in early and don't miss out.

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.

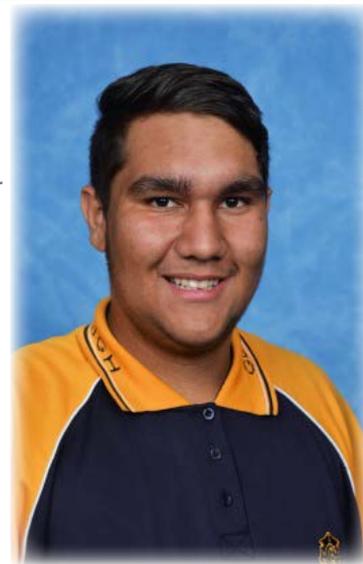
Congratulations Blake!

The Gladstone Aboriginal and Islander community in conjunction with Gladstone State High school would like to acknowledge the individual achievements gained by one of our Indigenous students from our school- Blake C. Blake who is in year 10, was captain at the under 15 Murri Carnival held in Redcliffe (2-4 Oct). From this squad Blake was selected to represent the Qld U15 Murri team which will tour Fiji this year (late November early December). Blake may also be playing in the CQ NRL Bid team's curtain raiser for the NRL All Stars game next year (yet to be confirmed).

Blake was also selected for:

- U14 CQ team- played at Wynnum
- Selected for next year's U16 CQ Capra's Cyril Connell squad

Blake is also the current Indigenous mentor for year 10.



Quoin Island Excursion

On Monday the 10th of October 2015, 20 year 11 Business Management students took to the water and headed for Quoin Island. Whilst on the Island, the students investigated the current marketing strategies employed for the Island, with the help of Quoin Island's Retreat Manager, Richard Gilmour. Through the use of in-depth interviewing and questioning the students discovered how Quoin Island can improve their marketing techniques for their upcoming assignment.

Schoolwork aside, the students were also given a tour of the island and the Turtle Rehabilitation Centre. They were granted the opportunity to feed the 40 resident wallabies and the little kangaroo. Free time also allowed them the opportunity to investigate and enjoy the stunning beach views and the crisp pool water (toes only). The train ride was found to be a relaxing journey to and from the ferry. A big thanks to Bob McCosker (owner) and Richard Gilmour to allow us to experience the blissful retreat.

- Joe B - Year 11 Business Management student.



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Dates to Remember

27th October - Awards Night

4th November - Awards Day

10th - 13th November - Yr 12 Exam block

16th November - Yr 12 Church Celebration

17th November - PROM

20th November - Year 12 Last Day/ Graduation Service

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



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

BYOx is coming to GSHS in 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 Monday 2 November, 4.30-5.00pm and 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

Student Absent from School:

Parents are required to authorise all student absences. This can be done in 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

Student Absence Notification

Student Name:

Care Group:

Date:

Reason (Circle): Sick Personal Family Other

Date:

Reason (Circle): Sick Personal Family Other

Date: / /

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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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