12 September 2014

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Term 3 is a drawing to a close and this is our final newsletter until after the holidays. The weather is starting to warm up again so it is timely to remind our community about the school’s hat policy.

Students are required to wear an official school hat, either bucket-style or cap, when they are on the oval, basketball courts or whilst participating in most HPE activities. School hats are available from the Uniform Shop which is open Tuesday and Thursday from 8:00am-3:00pm

Bucket hats- $15.00
Caps- $12.00

The last few weeks have presented many highlights which will be further acknowledged in this newsletter.

21/08 Senior leaders marked World Suicide Prevention Day with a BBQ and a Wall of Hope.
21/08 Robina State High School came 3rd in the QAMT Year 8 Maths Competition (highest performing state high school!)
22/08 Primary schools’ Science Experience Challenge won by Cani’s SS
27/08 Celebrate Assembly- acknowledgment of Sports success across the school
20-27/08 Gold Coast Eisteddfod Success with Very Highly Commended and Highly Commended Awards for dance and Instrumental Music
28/08 World Challenge Information Evening- significant interest from families
30/08 Creative Generation Regional Art Exhibition – 4 students exhibited with Rebecca Hardy winning an Excellence Award: 2-3/09 QCS test- positive feedback from the Year 12s
5/09 Support teachers’ thank you breakfast

Report cards for Term 3 will be emailed to families at the end of next week. We encourage you to discuss results with your child and work with them to set goals for their final term of study in 2014. School resumes for all students Tuesday 6th October. It will be a short final term for our Year 12s with school officially finishing on the 20th November. Year 11s finish the following week on the 27th November and Year 10s on the 28th November. Time certainly flies! The final date of the school year for Years 8 and 9 is Friday 12th December.

A reminder that Robina SHs has a very active Facebook, Twitter and Instagram presence now and you can stay current with what is happening through any of these social media avenues. Best wishes to all students over the break and we look forward to a productive Term 4 after the holidays.

Kind Regards

Julie

Student Focus for Week 9 & 10
Respect the Rights of Yourself
and Others to LEARN

Junior Secondary Deputy Principal

Teenage girls can be challenging. They are moving through a period in their lives which requires a firm but fair approach with boundaries and a sensitive touch with some issues which may be close to their hearts. Sometimes they need another avenue to turn to when they are trying to navigate their own way through life.

www.RosieRespect.org.au is a unique online info hub for young women, with articles, tips, links and videos helping them navigate life’s tricky situations. Aimed at girls 14-18 years old, this site is an online gateway, providing information and resources centered around a theme of respect - for body & mind, for work & study, in relationships and for the world we live in. Rosie has information on everything from ethical fashion to drama-free love, from getting your first job to study tips.

A Rosie App will be launched in 2015 and a national Rosie U18s Prize for budding young writers, photographers, video makers and activists will be available for your young woman to participate in.
I would encourage all parents with teenage girls to investigate this website and introduce their child to a great resource which provides genuine and guided support for them through this stage.

Regards

Sarah Price

P & C Scholarship

Is your child in Year 10 going into Year 11 and you would like some financial help.

Do you think they are doing well in Year 10 Academic or Sporting qualities and they will need some help to finish Year 11 and Year 12. Are they in line for a scholarship do you think?

If you answered all 3 questions then please call in and see Mrs Loddon or call on 55623 404 and pick up an application form for a $600 2015 P & C Scholarship.

Finance News

Outstanding Fees

We thank all families who have supported the school by attending to outstanding debts.

All outstanding school fees should now be fully paid unless a Payment Installment Plan is in place in which case the last payment is due on 7th October 2014. If you are currently on a Payment Installment Plan for your fees and/or are making regular payments, we thank you for your ongoing cooperation and support.

2015 Student Resource Scheme and Information Packs

Information packs including the 2015 Student Resource Scheme and Additional Subject Levies (where applicable – see info below) will be issued in most instances by the first week of Term 4. Please ensure you read all the information in this pack, particularly pertaining to payment due dates.

2015 Additional Subject Levies

All additional subject levies for 2015 must be paid in full by 7th November 2014. No payment plan is available for these levies. All outstanding school fees (except on payment plan where regular payments are being made), must be paid in full before a student can choose an additional fee paying subject.

If full payment is not made by 7th November students will need to choose a non-fee paying subject.

Finance Window Hours

The Finance window will be closed the last week of Term 3 (15th – 19th September) to allow for end of Term finance processing. No payments will be accepted at the window during this week.

Internet Payments can be made 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

Schools bank Details are: BSB: 064-468 and Account Number is: 1001 9041

In Term 4 the Finance Window will be open Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 7.45am to 2.00pm.

Year 12 Formal

Friendly Reminder: All outstanding fees for Year 12 students must be paid up in full prior to the end of Term 3, 2014. Year 12 students with outstanding fees who do not meet this requested commitment will not be eligible to receive a Formal Invitation or participate in any excursions. All resources will need to be returned to school before a Formal ticket is issued. As well, students with outstanding assessment, poor attendance , truancy, behaviour issues or non-attendance at other compulsory Year 12 sessions (QCS/CPR) will not receive an invitation to the formal.

2015 Year 12 Jerseys and Camp

Friendly Reminder: All outstanding fees for Year 11 students must be paid up in full prior to the end of Term 3, 2014. Year 11 students with outstanding fees who do not meet this requested commitment will not be eligible to order a 2015 Year 12 Jersey or participate in Year 12 camp.

Senior Secondary News – Jeanette McDonald

YEAR 12

At this time of the year all Year 12s should be well underway with completing applications or arrangements for their post school pathways.

- Please note that QTAC applications for the $35 rate ‘close’ on September 30th or if paying by BPay 29th September. Students need their QSA and LUI numbers (back of their Student ID card) as well as their preferred courses’ codes (from their QTAC book). TAFE Gold Coast Direct Entry closed Friday 12th September. If you wish to apply late for this contact the TAFE directly.

- Students who are wishing to apply for courses run by private registered training organisations which are not in the QTAC book must check closing dates for the relevant institutions.

- Students who do not meet course prerequisites should be looking at university bridging courses OR/and Associate Degrees as a way to articulate into a bachelor course.

All Year 12 students must be signed off as CPR competent to graduate. Students for whom we cannot verify this, complete ONE CPR session on a Wednesday afternoon during ‘sport’ in Term 4. Students have been emailed the CPR Group rolls as well as the Term 4 Year 12 Wednesday afternoon Overview so are well aware of their responsibility.

All Year 12 students must be in attendance at ‘sport’ in Weeks 1 & 2 and then ONLY if they are attending their CPR session. We allow year 12 students who have no other school commitment such as CPR, outstanding assessment of certificate catch ups to leave the school on Wednesdays at 12:20pm from Week 3 next term.
YEAR 11
This is a reminder that:

- No student can change subjects at this time of the year. Any changes for 2015 will be discussed and completed in the last two weeks of Term 4 - the end of November. This is because of semester credits for QCE and OP, which cannot be allocated to subjects where only half the assessment has been completed.
- GUESTS- Griffith University Early Start to Tertiary Studies applications need to be back with us by Monday 13th October for school endorsement. Please note that where a student has not achieved in a prerequisite subject, or has failed a number of subjects, we will not endorse their application. QUT and SCU also have similar “Head Start” programmes if students wish to apply for these.

YEAR 10
We have been very busily working through 2015 subject choices for Year 10 students. There have been a number of individual subject changes due to some classes not proceeding, some students picking outside recommendations, some students picking courses that don’t match their pathways and some financial issues. The school’s No 1 priority is ensuring students are in subjects in which they can achieve: a positive and successful outcome with EVERY student gaining a Queensland Certificate of Education. Further changes will occur as the 2015 timetable is refined.

DIPLOMA OF BUSINESS (open to Year 10 & 11) and DIPLOMA OF EVENTS (Year 10 only) - enrolments are still open
These two fabulous opportunities will definitely run in 2015 in conjunction with Careers Australia. We are taking enrolments for either of these courses up until the end of Term 4. As a reminder a Diploma is a higher qualification than Year 12 and:

- Contributes 8 QCE credits
- Gives a Selection Rank of 82 which is the equivalent of an OP9
- Can be used as satisfying the university prerequisite for Authority English
- Can be used for up to 80 credits for many associated university degrees so takes the first year off that course (Advanced standing) It’s possible for a student to complete Year 12 with their Diploma and then complete a bachelor degree in two years. That makes the university course a lot less expensive.
- Can be studied by ANY student we believe is capable of meeting and maintaining the work load, no matter what courses they study at school
- Is MUCH cheaper at school than with a private provider or TAFE after school. (Thousands cheaper!)
- Can lead directly into higher paid employment

Junior Secondary News – Ben Weeks
As we near the end of the term it is timely for all Junior Secondary students to reflect on their progress thus far. All students have been involved in intensive goal setting following semester one reporting and I hope students see the results of their hard work and persistence in this term’s results. Our standards are higher than ever; we expect nothing but the best from all of our students. This includes academics, uniform and more specifically our relentless focus on being respectful, responsible and ready to learn. I urge all parents and caregivers to discuss this term’s report card with their child and assist them in making positive choices for the future. Please have a pleasant and safe spring break and I look forward to celebrating the achievements of our Junior Secondary students with you in Term 4.

Focus on “Every Day Counting”
This year, a key focus of our Junior Secondary Leadership Team has been attendance. It is essential that students are at school, on time, in class and learning. Even though the odd late arrival or absence does not seem like much it soon adds up. The table below outlines just how quickly time does accumulate. An information brochure is also attached to this newsletter regarding Education Queensland’s attendance policy.

When it is essential your student is absent from school, please ensure that you either phone the absentee line (07) 5562 3430 on the day of the absence or send a note/medical certificate to school upon your child’s return.

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Enrolling in 2015

Robina State School “Literacy & Numeracy Week”

Robina State School marked Literacy and Numeracy Week with a variety of fun and engaging activities. Robina State High School provided a morning of maths activities for Year 6 students to test their skills! The students met the challenges head on and I congratulate the winning team, pictured below. Thanks also must go to Christopher Piessius, Crystal O’Kane and Caitlyn Reid who assisted in running the activities. The article below was written by two Robina State School students, reflecting on the morning.

“Last Monday morning, three students and Mr Weeks from Robina High School visited the classrooms of 6HE and 6H. They came to celebrate Numeracy and Literacy Week by having fun. First they divided us into teams, then we had a quiz of 20 questions to finish in 40 minutes. All teams had a very good time and were working hard and having fun. The top 3 teams received a wonderful prize. We all enjoyed the morning very much.”

Jason and Christian 6HE – Robina State School

Immunisations

The third round of Year 8 immunisations will occur at school on the morning of Tuesday, 16 September 2014. This is a follow up visit to previous visits in the year. All students that have previously handed in forms will be vaccinated on this day. Enquiries can be directed to Mr Weeks on bweek12@eq.edu.au or (07) 5562 3444.

Year 8 Activities Afternoon

All Year 8 students will be involved in an activities afternoon (Periods 5-7) on the final Thursday of the term, 18 September 2014. This afternoon will be of a sporting focus and conducted by our sport staff and house captains. Please ensure that your child wears sport uniform on this day and has a school hat and water bottle available.

Donald

Year Leaders

Year 8 – Michael Vine

Currently the process of selecting Junior Secondary leadership positions has begun. Next year our Junior Secondary ranks will expand with a Year Seven cohort and become a significant presence within the school. Students can apply for the positions of Junior Secondary Captains and Leaders. Applicants will give a speech at Junior School assembly, be interviewed by a panel and be elected by a vote of peers and staff.

Recently the Year 8 Japanese Immersion class presented business assignments to parents, Mr Weeks and Ms Warwick. It was great to hear and see the students presenting and discussing survey results in Japanese. Congratulations to Mr Tobiyama and class.

Spring has begun with warmer weather so a school hat will need to be worn. The Robina SHS cap or bucket hat can be purchased at the uniform shop. Non-school hats are not allowed. Please make sure the hat has the students name clearly marked inside.

Year 9 – Sean McGrath (Acting)

On Wednesday 17 September, 256 Year 9 students will be engaged in a wonderful Community Service Day opportunity. I rang Volunteering Gold Coast and they were challenged as to how to handle such a large group, but relished the task of trying to find an organisation which we could assist. Later that day we were linked in with Boomerang Bags (www.boomerangbags.org). It is an idea generated by Tania Potts of Burleigh. Take the time to look through their website and see what they do. Our students will be assisting Boomerang Bags by constructing the bags for them. They will bring several volunteers, sewing machines and all of the materials to make the bags. Students will take home their own bag too on this day.

As well Year 9 students will receive their reports soon. Please assist your student by discussing their results with them and supporting them to positive results.

Year 10 – Matt James

Recently the Year 10 students faced the reality of Senior School via the process of subject selection. This required a great deal of thought regarding future aspirations given that inadequate planning could harm intended pathways. An afternoon and early evening sessions were set aside for parents/carer, students and teachers to meet and discuss the way forward. I would like to thank all those involved, for the time and effort that was put into this selection process.

Recently I had the pleasure of accompanying Connor Edwards (Y10), Hiwot Emerson (Y10), Saba Naghimpour (Y11) and Tiana Reardon to the Gold City Council Junior Leaders forum. The
students are part of a program which runs throughout the year. For me, it was a wonderful opportunity to witness our students excelling outside of the school.

Term 3 is almost finished and reports are due out soon. The coming term is brief so I hope the students return from holidays ready for a sharp, fast round of learning and assessment to complete the first year of Senior School to the best of their ability.

**Year 11 – Todd Campbell**

We are well and truly in the midst of a busy time with Mid Semester tests everywhere!

It has been pleasing to see some fantastic Maths results as it becomes competitive at the top of the rank orders. I’m sure other subject areas are witnessing the same outcomes.

Last week students received letters about the Year 12 camp 9-11 February 2015 being held at the Runaway Sports Centre. Camp deposit is due by 16 October.

The Jersey committee have finalised the colour scheme for the Senior Jersey design. Jersey sizing will be occurring next week at the uniform shop. The name on the back is first name or surname only.

Our Leadership process is underway with Leadership application packs available on the school website and are due to the school office on 1:50pm Thursday 18 September.

Please be aware we have some outstanding school fees that need to be paid before students can order a jersey or attend camp.

Time is flying and soon we will have Year 12’s making the most of their final year at school.

Swimming Carnival, Athletics Carnival, Cross Country, Acoustic Night, Theatre Restaurant, Graduation, Formal and School Camp are some of the big events of 2015 that we look forward to positive participation from our Year 12’s and lasting memories of school.

At this stage we actively encourage students to be aware of timelines regarding deposit payment for the Year 12 Camp – Thursday 16 October with final payment by Thursday 13 November.

So get ready to get involved and be the role models for our school in 2015!

**Year 12 – Cath Harwood**

**(SWPBS) MERIT POINTS**

This month we had a ‘Battle of the Bens’ with the three highest merit point totals going to Ben Seeney, Ben Cregan and Ben Stratton. The winner of the Robina Town Centre voucher went to Ben Stratton. Well done to all.

**QCS BREAKFAST**

The first days of spring saw the Year 12 students sit the QCS test. Breakfast was provided for them over the two days which enabled them to have an informal get together (and pancakes) and a chance to calm their nerves before the test. I would like to send out a massive thankyou to teachers Gary Barnier, Sean McGrath, Robyn Rackley and John Ivey who had to brave a very early start to help me out with the cooking and food preparation.

Thanyou also to the following sponsors who generously donated fruit, bread, savoury treats and pancakes for this event. Please give them a thumbs up and thanks if you are at their stores in the future.

BRUMBYS – Easy T Centre

WOOLWORTHS – Robina Town Centre (Market Hall)

BAKERS DELIGHT – Robina Town Centre (Market Hall)

MUFFIN BREAK - Robina Town Centre

**Art Department**

Recently, Robina High submitted four artworks into the 2014 Creative Generation Excellence Awards in Visual Art. Year 12 student Rebecca Hardy was chosen as an excellence award winner. Rebecca has continued our school’s proud tradition in being recognised through these awards. Thirty-three awards were given from over five hundred entries by the best senior Visual Art students from around the state. These awards are run by Education Queensland and the Department of Education, Training and Employment. Excellence awardees were announced at the South East regional exhibition on Saturday 30 August. It was an honour for our students to attend the regional exhibition and exhibit their artwork. Excellence award winners
were presented with a certificate and an invite to the regional student workshop to be held later in the year. They will also have their winning artwork featured at the Gallery of Modern Art in Brisbane 2015. We are so very proud of all of our exhibitors.

Alicia Tait, Oliver Lye, Harmony Bampton, Melanie Schultz and Rebekah Efthymiou all received highly commended for their fantastic efforts.

Maths Department

The Education Perfect online mathematics competition was held in August. Over 20,000 students (12,000 students in Australia) at 806 schools throughout the world participated in this competition over a 10 day period. Our Robina State High School students achieved 66035 points. The top 3 students were Immersion students: in 3rd place Emma Fowlds year 8 (2,137 points), 2nd place Non Teerarat year 8 (4,278 points) and 1st place Melanie Schulz year 10 (18,666 points!). Melanie achieved 3rd place in the world and 1st in Australia! This is an outstanding achievement from these 3 students considering they learn maths all in Japanese. Well done.

Japanese Tour Groups

In August we had visits from Japanese schools. Meijo University High School spent two days with us and we had great fun. Thanks to Mrs Gray’s Year 9 Japanese class (and Chelsea) for being caring, friendly buddies for our Japanese guests. We are so lucky to have so much exposure to authentic experiences in learning Japanese at Robina High. Thank you to International Coordinators, Mrs Mitchell and Mrs Tones who helped our guests during their time at Robina High.

Japanese News 日本語科 ニュース

MLTAQ Gold Coast Japanese Speech Contest

Sunday August 17 saw Robina High students compete in the annual MLTAQ Gold Coast Language Speech Contest. Students from our Japanese Immersion Program competed against many other schools in the region. Students had been practising their speeches over many weeks prior to this event. They had to present a memorised speech and there was fierce competition on the day. Judges were looking for the best pronunciation, fluency, intonation and ability to answer questions in Japanese which followed their speeches. Japanese Immersion students also have to compete in a level above their year level, which makes it all the more challenging!

Congratulations to Year 9 Japanese Immersion student, Riley Giles who took out second place in the Year 10 Japanese Secondary category. We are all very proud of you!
Year 9 Amazing Race

Year 9 Japanese students have recently been studying a “Directions” unit. To practice their language in a realistic setting, students had to navigate their way around Robina Town Centre, reading directions and clues all in Japanese! It was certainly an amazing race! Students were highly competitive trying to get the fastest time to circumnavigate Robina Town Centre. Well done to all students.

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Student Success

Congratulations to the following students who represented the Oceanic District at the Regional Track and Field Championships held on the 9th and 10th September.

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Golf

The Australian School Sport Championships were held in Toowoomba in the last week of August and the Qld boys team had representatives from Robina SHS in HyunSik Kong, ( V ice Captain ) and Peter Lyon. The boys contributed in a very strong manner in the Match play format and this saw the Qld. team finish 3rd overall. This is HyunSik’s last year of participation in the event and he has represented Qld on two occasions. Peter had an excellent record of 3 wins, 1 square and 1 loss and is still available for selection in 2015. Congratulations to both boys.

As state manager, they were a pleasure to work with.

The class has completed SAM Putt Lab this term and will have they have their printed report before the holidays. Ryan Lumsdan, Head of Sports Science Golf Australia, worked with some students on Wednesdays and this involves 3D Biomechanics analysis. These sessions are at the highest level to any elite golfer in Australia and we are very fortunate to be able to offer this High Performance service to our students.

Good luck to all players in the Gary Player Classic and Kathryn Hull Classic over the holidays.

Shane Stevenson

Golf Director
Robina SHS P & C and Guzman Y Gomez

“You should recall that Robina State High School P&C teamed up with Guzman Y Gomez (GYG) in early June to raise some much needed funds. The event was a great success with a total of $1,000 being raised on the day. GYG donated $2.50 from every burrito they sold on the day, and we would like to thank all of those who came down and supported the event. GYG have confirmed they would like to build on this years success and do something similar next year and make it an annual event going forward. Here is a photo of Di Lodden accepting the cheque on behalf of the P&C.

School Based Traineeships/Apprenticeships (SATs)

SATs allow students to do paid work for an employer and train towards a recognised qualification

while they are still at school. They are a great way for young people to explore their career options
and develop skills and confidence in their areas of interest.

Students wishing to undertake a SAT need to demonstrate the responsibility and commitment to
balance work and training while completing Years 10, 11 or 12.
SATs can contribute 4, 6 or even 8
points towards a Queensland Certificate of Education.


2015 TAFE Schools Program

The TAFE Schools Program offers secondary school students in year 10, 11 and 12 the opportunity to attend TAFE Gold Coast 1 day per week over 6 months, 1 or 2 years to complete a Certificate I, II or III course.

GCIT delivers Certificate qualifications in a wide range of industry areas. These courses are one-day-a-week at TAFE and courses all contribute to QCE credits.

Students must have an interview with Student Pathways prior to application.

Application process & key dates

Expressions of interest open are now OPEN and can be submitted online via the TAFE Queensland Gold Coast website – http://tafegoldcoast.edu.au/ - Study with Us?School Students - Schools Program or by following the link here.

Applications are due by close of business on Friday 24th October 2014.

Please Note: Places will be filled on a first in, first served basis and enrolment is not complete until enrolment forms and payment (as applicable) is completed via Customer Service.

Youth Health Nurse – Helen Dredge

Stroke week

A stroke occurs when the blood supply to the brain is suddenly disrupted. This blood supply may stop moving because of a blood clot or plaque or because the artery bursts. When blood supply stops flowing to the brain and it does not receive enough oxygen it needs, brain cells in that area may die and permanent damage can be done. Strokes can be fatal while others can cause temporary or permanent disability. When a stroke happens we lose the ability to do things that that part of the brain controls. This may be using one part of the body whereby you have paralysis on that side, it could be talking, swallowing, or having trouble thinking.

Strokes are one of the most common causes of death in Australia and the single biggest cause of adult disability. Before someone has a stroke they may have some impending signs of a stroke such as weakness, numbness or paralysis of the face or other body parts, difficulty speaking, dizziness, loss of vision or sudden blurred vision Severe abrupt onset of a headache or difficulty swallowing. If these symptoms happen to you or your family seek medical treatment immediately.

The signs of a stroke may occur alone or in combination and they can last a few seconds or up to 24 hours and then disappear. When symptoms disappear within 24 hours, this episode is a mini stroke or Transient Ischaemic Attack (TIA)
If you or someone else experiences the signs of a stroke, no matter how long or short it occurs for please call 000 immediately. Getting fast treatment can be the difference between death or severe disability and a good recovery. Strokes are mainly preventable and treatable.

Remember FAST “F” for facial weakness Can the person smile?
Has their mouth or eye drooped “A” for arm weakness, can they raise both arms? “S” for speech difficulty, can the person speak clearly and understand what you say and “T” for time which is critical so act fast and call 000

Strokes have also been associated with illicit drug use mainly from amphetamines and marijuana use. Marijuana is not only...
a depressant but a hallucinogenic drug and a stimulant. Stimulants elevate blood pressure and cause changes in the pressure of the blood vessels in the brain.

Your chances of having a stroke are reduced if you are in a healthy weight range, are physically active and choose a healthy nutritious food intake, limit your alcohol consumption, don’t smoke and keep your blood pressure and cholesterol levels in a healthy range. (Do you know what they are?....) Maybe its time to go to your GP and get some important easy tests done. This way you will know if you are on the right track or if there are areas you can work on to motivate you to become healthier and look after yourself. This also means managing your stress levels and finding time to do precious things in life that you enjoy.

For more information visit www.strokefoundation.com.au or call 1300 194 196

They’re Back!! Head lice have been detected in the School

The Returned & Services League (RSL) of Australia (QLD Branch) and Bond University have joined forces to offer this half-million dollar RSL Youth Development Programme.

What is the RSL Youth Development Programme?
The Programme has been designed to recognise and reward the efforts of high achieving Queensland students. Grants of up to $5,000 will be awarded in the following categories:

- Academic Achievement (inclusive of Arts, Drama, Dance & Media)
- Sporting Achievement
- Community Leadership and Civic Participation

Recipients of an RSL Youth Development Programme grant also have the exclusive opportunity to apply for a Scholarship to cover 50% tuition fees for any single or combined degree at Bond University at the completion of high school. Contact scholarships@bond.edu.au for further information on this exciting opportunity.

Who can apply? Applications are open to all Queensland school students who are currently completing Year 10 or 11, and who have demonstrated achievement in the academic, sporting or community arenas.

When do I apply? Apply on-line now or before Remembrance Day Tuesday 11 November at www.rlyouth.com.au

Schoolies Volunteers

Every year up to 30,000 school leavers are estimated to visit the Gold Coast in order to celebrate the commencement of the next chapter of their lives. Over 1,000 Volunteers participate each year at the Gold Coast Schoolies Community Safety Response with a variety of organisations and support the school leavers to celebrate with their mates safely. Volunteering with other like-minded community citizens is self-rewarding and great fun. You can make lifelong friends yourself as part of the Schoolies Support Team. Consider volunteering today – visit the website for more information: www.schooliesvolunteer.com.au

Can Saver Plus assist you with high school costs?

Join Saver Plus and match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to $500 for educational costs including:

- school uniforms and textbooks
- computers, laptops and tablets
- excursions and camps
- sports equipment, uniforms and lessons
- music tuition and instrument hire.

You may be eligible if you have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, are at least 18 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner) and have a child at school or study yourself.

Contact Jasmin Dorrington, your local Saver Plus Worker:
(07) 5536 5613 / 0417 485 477
or Jasmin.Dorrington@thsmithfamily.com.au

Saver Plus was developed by ABS and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is delivered through the Gold Coast Schoolies Support Committee in the Smart Choice. The program is funded by the RSL and the Queensland Government.

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Upcoming school holiday activities programs at various youth centres link