Work Readiness – it is really important?

A message from the Principal...

Please consider the following data:

1. Youth unemployment (15-24 year olds) is 17.7% compared to 6.3% for 15 years and over.
2. 58% of young people are not studying. Of these, 45% are employed while 13% are not employed.
3. Of the 45% employed, 35% had completed Year 12 and 10% had failed to complete Year 12.
4. Of the 13% unemployed, 7% completed Year 12, while 6% had failed to complete Year 12.
5. The largest and growing areas of employment are Health Care and Social Assistance; Retail; Professional, Scientific and Technical Services; Construction and Accommodation and Food Services.
6. Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing, Mining and Manufacturing are areas of declining employment.
7. Looking over the 10 year period from May 2004 to May 2014, jobs at the higher skill levels (degree, advanced diploma, diploma) are increasing as a proportion of overall employment – up from 37.7% to 41.0%. At the same time, jobs at the lowest skill level (Cert 1/secondary education) are diminishing as a proportion of total employment from 19.7% to 17%.

**What this means for school leavers?**

You are more likely to get and keep a job the higher your level of education. Being well educated gives you a wider choice in employment options, access to careers which are higher paying and continuity in employment or shorter periods of unemployment. Employers also value: initiative, punctuality, ability to follow instructions and work in teams, good grooming and presentation, positive attitude and a desire to improve education and skills. These are all values we explicitly teach and reinforce at Sandgate.

To assist students to be “work ready” Sandgate is adding to its already extensive range of programs to support students to craft their own pathway through school into their preferred post school option. For example, within STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) a number of partnerships are being developed with organisations external to the school, with a particular focus on the health sciences, the fast growing area for future employment. Partnerships include:

- Chemistry/Biology: QUT, S&N, Think Pharmacy and Chermside Medical Centre
- Physics/Mathematics: UQ, Radiology, Podiatry, Optometry
- Biology/Human Movements: ACU, Chermside Day Hospital, Physiotherapy, Dentistry, hearing
- STEM Careers Guest Lunches exposing students to speakers who work in particular areas
- Engineering and technology
- Bio Diversity

These partnerships will provide new and exciting opportunities to students to align their education to future employment opportunities. It is our aspiration that all students at Sandgate complete their education and successfully transition to tertiary education and/or employment after school.

*Mrs Jeanette Gentle* PRINCIPAL
## What's On

14 July - 1 August 2014

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Enrolment Interviews

CLICK HERE TO VIEW OUR CAFE IBIS MENU

CLICK HERE TO VIEW OUR UNIFORM PRICE LIST

Health Records Update

A reminder to parents/carers to notify the school about your child's health

Sandgate District State High School is committed to supporting students' health and wellbeing. We would appreciate parents/carers providing the school with any relevant health information that is required to support the student at school. This information is also collected at enrolment but needs to be updated regularly, or if a new health condition develops.
Information about medically diagnosed conditions such as allergies, asthma, diabetes, epilepsy and other health conditions that may require school staff to provide support to students, including administering medication and performing health procedures, should be provided to the school. Additionally, any health need that may impact on school activities such as sports, outings (including camps) should also be discussed with the school.

Information should be provided in writing and any specific health plans (only to be completed and signed by the medical practitioner) should be included. Please contact the school to discuss any specific requirements.

Please inform the school office staff of any changes to contact details or the contact details of the people nominated as emergency contacts.

Thank you for your assistance in this regard. All information is kept confidential and only disclosed to the relevant staff required to supporting your child.

For any enquiries, please contact the school office on telephone 3869 9888.

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Year 10 Social Justice Committee Term 2 News

Orangutan Project

Did you know that there has been a decrease of orangutan numbers by more than 90% in just over 100 years? Figures show that in 1900, there were over 315,000 wild orangutans but today, there are only approximately 60,000 left. The clearing of 300 football fields per hour of rainforest in Indonesia and the increased demand for palm oil is to blame for a large proportion of orangutan deaths. Palm oil is found in many everyday products including biscuits, chips, skin care and beauty products. Orangutans are killed or injured by plantation owners and farmers who consider them to be pests.

It was with these facts in mind that the Year 10 Social Justice Committee elected to raise funds to assist in sponsoring these breath-taking creatures during term 2. Students in Year 10 donated generously and after eight weeks of donations, raised enough money ($220) to sponsor four (4) orangutans. For the final two weeks of term 2, the whole school kindly supported the year 10 students in their cause and unexpectedly donated an additional $185 to allow our school to sponsor a further three (3) orangutans.

It is with great pleasure that the Year 10 Social Justice committee introduce the seven (7) orangutans that Sandgate District State High have sponsored for the year.
The Year 10 Social Justice Committee would like to thank the whole school for such a wonderful effort in saving these beautiful creatures.

Term 3 will see the Year 10 Social Justice Committee committed to raising funds for RSPCA QLD. Please stay tuned for details as to how you can support us in raising much needed funds for this very worthy organisation.

Ms Fong and the Year 10 Social Justice Committee

**Literacy Tip for Parents #5**

*Genre* is a term that many parents will come across in their child’s assessment. Genre means writing style – a category or way of presenting a piece of work. Think about a piece of writing you have read recently. Was it a book review, a blog, a report, an autobiography, a recount, an essay, an interview, a short story? Each genre has its own distinct rules of writing and presentation. If your child is struggling with their assessment, get them to understand what genre is being asked of them first. For example, if it is a science report, is classifying objects being requested? If it is an essay, are they arguing a point of view? Once purpose of the task and its genre is understood, then the content of the assessment should be easier.

*Kirsti Lines* | Literacy Support Teacher

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2014 Early School Leavers Survey
The Queensland Government is conducting its annual statewide survey of students who left school in Years 10, 11 and prior to completing Year 12 in 2013. The *Early School Leavers* survey is a brief, confidential survey that provides a picture of the employment, study and life choices made by Queensland school leavers in the year after they left school to understand why young people leave school early and to help early school leavers make positive career choices.

Between July and August, our students who left school in Years 10, 11 and prior to completing Year 12 last year can expect to receive instructions to complete a web-based survey or a telephone call from the Queensland Government Statistician’s Office to complete the survey. Please encourage them to take part. If their contact details have changed, please assist the interviewer with their updated details or forward the survey to their new address so they can participate. Thank you for your support of the *Early School Leavers* survey in 2014.

For more information visit www.education.qld.gov.au/nextstep/ or telephone toll free on 1800 068 587.

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**Student Environmental Leadership Network (SELN) Program**

**Environmental Fact #2**

Every day, 50 to 100 plant and animal species become extinct as changes in their habitat and human influences destroy them.

All animals deserve to be respected, and destroying their habitat is the opposite of that.

*Emma Venzke* | SELN Representative

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**Human Movement News**

**AFL Selection Success**

CONGRATULATIONS to Cody Stackelberg and Matthew King who were both selected in the Brisbane North Under 14 AFL team to compete in the State Championships which were held over the holidays. This is the second team for Cody who was also selected in the Met North under 15 team. Well done boys!

*Mr Roberts* | HPE Teacher

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**School Nurse News**
COUGHS/COLDS AND FLU – WHAT YOU CAN DO

With winter truly upon us it is a good time to remind students, parents and the school community not to be complacent about flu as it is a highly contagious and serious disease.

Symptoms may include sudden fever, cough, muscle aches and pains, fatigue, headache, sore throat or a stuffy or runny nose.

If your child has flu-like symptoms, the following is advised:

- keep your child at home and don’t send them to school;
- avoid letting them visit aged care facilities and hospitals, if possible, so that they don’t pass the infection to others who may be at risk of complications;
- ensure your child washes their hands regularly with soap and water or uses a alcohol based hand gel;
- encourage them to cough into a tissue;
- make sure they dispose of tissues quickly and wash their hands;
- if a tissue is not immediately available, sneeze or cough into elbow, not hands;
- use warm water and a neutral detergent to keep surfaces such as door handles, kitchen bench tops, phones and toys clean;
- ensure they drink plenty of fluids and get lots of rest and;
- Paracetamol is useful for relieving symptoms, but please consult your GP or call 13 HEALTH (13 43 25 84) if you are concerned about their symptoms.

Children with some existing medical conditions are at increased risk of complications and parents are strongly recommended to have them vaccinated against influenza each year. These conditions include:

- heart disease;
- severe asthma;
- chronic lung condition;
- chronic illness requiring medical follow-up or hospitalisation in the past year;
- diseases of the nervous system;
- impaired immunity; or
- diabetes

For any further information please contact:

Mandy Tremus
School Based Youth Health Nurse

Head Lice
Recently there have been a number of cases of head lice at the school. We are asking that you check your child’s hair and treat as required. Here are a few facts to help everyone understand how to detect and treat head lice.

Overview:

- Head lice are a small wingless, egg laying insect found on human heads, they don’t fly and they don’t jump.
- Head lice live on the hair and feed by sucking blood from the scalp
- They are the size of a sesame seed or pin head.
- Not everyone who has head lice will scratch their heads.
- Live eggs are less than 1.5cm from the scalp and are attached firmly to the hair shaft.

The most effective way to detect head lice:

- Apply sufficient white conditioner to dry hair to completely cover the scalp and hair from roots to tips
- Use an ordinary comb to untangle hair
- Use head lice comb (metal is preferred) to comb small sections of the hair
- After each stroke wipe the comb onto a white tissue and check for head lice.
- Systematically comb the whole head checking for lice.
- Put all tissues in a plastic bag and dispose of in rubbish.

Treatment:

- Non insecticidal treatment using the above white conditioner and combing can be used every two days until no lice are found for 10 consecutive days.
- Insecticide treatments fall into 4 groups.
  - Use as directed by manufacturer; however you must treat once then treat again in 7-10 days
  - If lice are found after 3 weeks of chemical treatment change to a product which has a different active ingredient.
- No treatment kills the eggs (nits)

Prevention:

- Avoid head to head contact
- Keep long hair tied back and spray with hair spray
- Don’t not share brushes, combs or pillows
- Pillow cases of an infected person should be washed daily on hot cycle, or hot ironed or hot dryer

For more information check out the Queensland Health Website www.health.qld.gov.au

Mandy Trempus | School Based Youth Health Nurse
Absentee Phone Line  3869 9802

Sandgate District State High School has established a phone line to report student absenteeism. Please phone 3869 9802 directly to advise the school that your child will absent.

You will be directed to a message bank, please leave a message ensuring you clearly state the students name, year level, reason for absence, dates absent and your relationship to the student.

School Leaver Career Opportunities
SCIPS SCHOOL LEAVER EVENT

DON’T MISS OUT

Where?       St Laurence’s College – Brady Hall
             82 Stephens Rd - South Brisbane 4101
When?        Wednesday 20th August 2014
             5.00 pm – 6:30 pm

Register your interest for a job vacancy in 2015
Speak with local employers and industry experts
Face-to-face discussions with potential employers for opportunities
Hand over your resume or enquire about a training course
Apply for part-time/full-time, casual work, apprenticeships & traineeships
Loads of different industries & career opportunities
Come appropriately dressed and bring several copies of your resume
Parents are welcome to attend

To participate in this event, you must complete
 ✓ registration form
 ✓ your resume to hand over to employers

Return registration form to:
 ✓ school coordinator, or
 ✓ fax to SCIPS office – 3010 1167

School Community Industry Partnership Service
For more information visit
www.scips.org.au or call 3010 1167
SCIPS SCHOOL LEAVER EVENT 2014
STUDENT REGISTRATION FORM

Come face to face with local employers and industry professionals to get current advice about your career aspirations, and register for jobs on offer. Register your interest in attending the SCIPS School Leaver Event by returning the completed form to your school coordinator or fax to SCIPS on 3010 1187.

Date: Wednesday 20th August 2014
Time: 5.00 pm – 6.30pm
Location: St Laurence’s College - Brady Hall
82 Stephens Road, South Brisbane

Name: .......................................................... M  □  F  □  Date of birth: ...........................................

Address: ........................................................................................................................................

Suburb: ......................................................... Post Code: ..............................................................

Year level: .......... (2014)  Tel: ........................................ Mob: ....................................................

School: ........................................................................................................................................

Your Email: ....................................................................................................................................

Parent’s Email: .................................................................................................................................

Your JOB choices:  1) ..........................................................

2) ........................................................................

3) ........................................................................

TIPS to guide your choices:
□ Research your industry choices through work experience opportunities
□ Keep a lookout for the QR, Energex, Q Build, Brisbane City Council 2015 vacancies which will be advertised before our event in August. Visit their websites to see application details.
□ Visit some of the great career websites available including www.myfuture.edu.au; www.jobguide.deewr.gov.au
□ Customise your resume and application letters. Have a parent/ guardian/ teacher look over these documents.
□ Visit your careers library to see the latest careers brochures/ CDs/ DVDs and the latest vacancy list from SCIPS.
□ Check www.scips.org.au for regular updates and tips on how to prepare for the event.

RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO:
Your Coordinator or Guidance Officer
or Fax to SCIPS - 3010 1187

School Community Industry Partnership Service
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Privacy Statement:
SCIPS understands and appreciates that you, as a client, are concerned about the confidentiality and security of information you give to us. Our privacy policy is committed to linking you with industry within a secure and confidential environment. Your information will be used for the purposes of operating in the field of your career and transition and will be subject to the Privacy Act 1988 and the Privacy Amendment (Private Sector) Act 2000.

Gateway Construction Update
The following notification contains details about forthcoming work for the Gateway Addition Lane project from Sandgate Road to the Deagon Deviation. It describes the details, what to expect and a map showing the work areas.

June 2014

Gateway Additional Lane project – final bridge and asphalt overlay works

Construction of the Gateway Additional Lane project is entering the final stages, with the installation of piers for the southbound bridge to be completed by the end of June 2014. The project is expected to be completed later in 2014, weather and construction conditions permitting. Thank you for your patience over the life of the project.

What to expect:
- From late June, final work will take place on the two new wider bridges on the Gateway Motorway over Cabbage Tree Creek.
- From late July, the final asphalt overlay will be laid along the project alignment.
- Most work will be undertaken during the day, however some night works between 8pm and 5am will be necessary for safety reasons when working close to the motorway.
- The project team will endeavour to schedule noisier activity earlier in the evening. Some weekend work may occur intermittently in the lead up to project completion.

The table below highlights the night work which is subject to weather and construction conditions.

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<td>Final asphalt overlay, July – September</td>
<td>Laying of final asphalt overlay and line marking will take place across the northbound and southbound Gateway Motorway lanes (including bridges) – see map overleaf for locations.</td>
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Traffic: Two lanes of traffic will be maintained in each direction on the motorway during daytime hours. Between 8pm and 5am, temporary lane closures may be in place. Please take care and follow the directions of traffic controllers and signage.

Noise, dust, light and vibration: construction activities may cause increased noise, dust, light and vibration around the work site. Impacts will be monitored and minimised. Construction vehicles and machinery are fitted with reversing beepers and flashing lights to ensure the safety of workers. These cannot be switched off or lowered in volume.

Please contact the team using our phone or email if you would like more specific information. We apologise for any inconvenience caused during this work.

For more information
Gateway Additional Lane project
Phone 1800 897 778*
Email gatewaynorth@tmr.qld.gov.au
Web www.tmr.qld.gov.au (search projects for ‘Gateway Additional Lane’)
Call 13 10 40 for traffic reports and incidents
Post Department of Transport and Main Roads
PO Box 70, Spring Hill QLD 4001

* Free call from anywhere in Australia, call charges apply for calls from mobile phones and payphones.

Australian Government
Queensland Government
Community Notices
Trivia night - Chaplaincy fundraiser

Gather your friends, families and colleagues and book a table for Chaplaincy's Big 2014 fundraiser. Over $2,000 in prizes are up for grabs including iPads and guitars!

TRIVIA NIGHT
for local school chaplains

Wednesday 23rd July 2014
7.00pm
@ Bracken Ridge High School
MPSC Hall

Supper provided, drinks available for purchase.
All proceeds to Sandgate & Bracken Ridge High School chaplains

SPECIAL GUEST ENTERTAINERS
Peebo and Dagwood Comedy & Magic Show
Non stop fun & laughter guaranteed
Great prizes, Raffles, and Auction.

RSVP your table/seat by 16th July
Contact:
Andy (Sandgate SHS) + 0422 634 756
Trudi (Bracken Ridge SHS) 0400 634 865
June (Local Chaplaincy Committee) 0407 574 792

Sponsored by:
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Computer prices start at $99.00. You can browse, buy and donate computer equipment online. Please note that Microsoft Office 2010 is for low income earners and students only.

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Zillmere QLD
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E rewiredinfo@wmb.org.au
www.rewiredit.com.au
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Brighton Roosters Softball Club

SOFTBALL / T-BALL DEMONSTRATIONS

18th July 2014 (2.45 – 4.30pm) Brighton State School Oval
25th July 2014 (2.45 – 4.30pm) Nashville State School Oval

We are holding two FREE demo days for any interested students to learn more about playing softball and t-ball
For BOYS & GIRLS from 5yrs
We also have LADIES and MEN’s Teams of all skills for interested parents.

Register online at:
www.brightonsoftball.com.au

All equipment is supplied, pls bring own hat and water

Our official sign on is August 6th, 5.00pm to 8.00pm
at the Brighton Roosters Football Club.
Fees and Uniform costs advised at sign on

Please visit our website or call us if you have any further queries.
www.brightonsoftball.com.au

Club President – Graham McLeary 3269 6531
Club Secretary - Tracey Rhys 0417 700 198, or
email info@brightonsoftball.com.au
www.brightonsoftball.com.au
**Greater Brisbane Junior Tennis Fixtures**

Greater Brisbane Junior Tennis (GBJT) conducts weekly Tennis Fixtures at the Queensland Tennis Centre, Tennyson and The University of Queensland for children up to 18 years of age. Grading day for new players is to be held on Sunday 27 July at the Queensland Tennis Centre, Tennyson from 3pm to 5pm. Further information is available at [www.gbjt.org.au](http://www.gbjt.org.au) or by phoning Mrs Peta Davis on 3374 0516.

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This link is also available on our School Website at [www.sanddistshs.eq.edu.au](http://www.sanddistshs.eq.edu.au)

Paper copies are available for collection (each fortnight) from the student foyer, for families who do not have access to the internet.

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**Sandgate DSHS Online Communities**

In 2012, Sandgate DSHS has launched into the 21st Century and have set up official Facebook and Twitter accounts. Regular updates from the school calendar and messages about upcoming events are fed into the social network. During the school closure in January this year, Twitter and Facebook served as a fundamental tool to keep the community up to the date with the flooding in surrounding areas. Direct links to the official Sandgate High Twitter and Facebook pages can be accessed through the school's website ([https://sanddistshs.eq.edu.au/](https://sanddistshs.eq.edu.au/)). Alternatively, please click on the links below to access the portals.

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