

# Shailer Park State High School

## NEWSLETTER

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### Principal's Outlook

*Ray McConnell*

Welcome to our April edition with term one drawing to a close. I'm sure everyone is looking towards a well earned rest over the Easter break. Interim reports will be sent home outlining your child's performance in the areas of Effort, Behaviour and Attitude, Homework and Progress. Please take the time to discuss this report with your child particularly to identify areas in need of improvement. Follow up parent teacher interviews will be held next term on 29 April in week two and will provide the opportunity to discuss concerns or to celebrate your child's achievements.

Shailer Park SHS has developed many successful partnerships with business, industry and tertiary institutions allowing our students access to some wonderful opportunities. Recently, Shailer Park SHS signed an agreement with Griffith University for the *GriffPhys* Year 11 and 12 Physics programme. Students who successfully pass laboratory sessions and final examinations, and meet prerequisite conditions, will be guaranteed acceptance into designated Griffith University programs. The EMC<sup>2</sup> programme featured in this newsletter is another fantastic opportunity to extend our student's skills in mathematics within a tertiary environment. I am also pleased to support the Rotary Youth Driver Awareness programme for Year 11 students which I believe will make a significant impact on the future road safety of our students.

Our Shailer High students have done us proud recently including our Futsal teams in the State Futsal Titles, our Senior Debating team and the success of our students who have participated in the Round Robin days. Our dance students wowed the full school assembly last week and our instrumental music students are preparing for future performances including Anzac Day.

Finally, I am pleased to advise that Shailer Park has successfully attained \$200 000 in funds under the School National Pride within the Federal Government's Building the Education Revolution. These funds are targeted at a much needed upgrade of the Multi Purpose Sports Hall and will help to sustain jobs and businesses within the local economy.

I wish everyone a safe, relaxing and happy Easter break and look forward to resuming school for all students on Tuesday the 21 April.

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# From the Deputy Principals

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## Middle School - Years 8 & 9

*Jacqui Lewis*

Shailer Park SHS is part of the **Logan Healthy Schools Alliance**. The eleven high schools in our district are working together to source and gain funding to improve the students outlook on healthy lifestyles. The alliance has created a lunch activities program and students can look forward to Rock Climbing, Fit Dance, and Boot Camp next term. The Lighthouse has gained a grant from the Health 4 Life Competition and will create a Soft Volleyball area. We look forward to a whole school competition next term.

**NAPLAN pre testing.** A reminder that we will have our second pre-test on 21, 22,23 April, in the first week back. It is important that students use these tests to develop the test taking skills required as well as practice the type of questions to be answered. Year 9's have received their results from the first practice test in numeracy and literacy.

**How can parents help?** Discuss with your child how they went and what they intend to focus on for the future tests. Helping your student to create a revision timetable based on the areas they need to focus on will help to improve their results.

I hope you and your family enjoy the Easter break and I look forward to meeting many of you at the reporting evening. And for all new parents to the joys of teenagers I leave you with this.

*The Quote Garden.com*

*"The young always have the same problem - how to rebel and conform at the same time. They have now solved this by defying their parents and copying one another." -Quentin Crisp*

## Senior School - Years 10, 11 & 12

*Lynne Smith*

### Queensland Core Skills Test (QCS)

All Year 12 students sat the practice QCS test during the last week of term 1. The tests took the same format as the QCS. Results will be returned to students early in term 2. Based on their results or future pathways, non-OP students may choose not to participate in the QCS preparation classes from term 2 onwards and will be able to concentrate on assessment tasks during their LAN lessons. All OP-eligible students and students who wish to be awarded a rank at the end of year 12 must continue to participate in the OP preparation lessons during LAN.

### Year 10

Students in Years 10 attended a Careers Expo at Mabel Park State High School on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April. The purpose of this excursion was to provide the students with the opportunity to investigate future career choices and pathways in preparation for their SET Plans. Year 10 students are currently working towards a Certificate I in Work Education, which will enable them to bank two credits towards the QCE. Part of this program involves preparing students for the SET Plan process which will take place during term 3, following an information evening for students and their parents or carers. Details about this evening will be provided later in the year.

A new Hospitality class has been formed in year 10. Students in this class will be provided with the opportunity to bank 2 credits towards their Queensland Certificate of Education. A few places remain in this class. Students who wish to transfer into this class will need to go through the standard procedure, that is, collect a Year 10 subject form from the administration office to apply for a change of course, have a parent or carer sign the form, and have the relevant heads of department sign the form. The form must then be handed in at the administration building.

Year 8

All year 8 students will be issued with a new timetable for term 2. There will be some changes in English, Maths, Science and SOSE classes, based on student performance during term 1. All students will be rotated into different elective classes. Every term, year 8 students experience different classes in the arts (Art, Dance, Drama and Music) and technology (Industrial Design and Technology, Home Economics, Business Enterprise, and Information Community and Technology). The reason for this is to enable students to make well-informed subject choices in year 9.

### Term 1 Reports and Parent/Teacher Evening

All families should receive information about the Parent/Teacher Evening with the student Interim Reports. All students and their parents/carers are encouraged to attend this evening to meet the teachers and receive feedback about your student.

Happy Easter

I extend my best wishes to all members of our school community for a safe, restful and enjoyable Easter break.

## Resource Hire Scheme

### PAYMENT OPTIONS FOR ACCOUNTS

<b>Internet</b> <b>Direct Credit to Bank Account</b> Commonwealth Bank – Springwood BSB: 064-170 A/C: 00090123	<b>By Telephone</b> Phone Sue in the finance office on 34512703 to pay by credit card.	<b>In Person</b> Payments accepted between 8am & 2pm Mon – Fri Pay by cash, cheque or eftpos.
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***If you wish to pay by credit card simply fill out the form below and return to the school or fax to 34512700.***

<b>Student Name</b>														
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For parents paying by instalment, your term two **\$57 payment is now due**. For your convenience, payments can be made by internet, cash, cheque, credit card or eftpos. The office is open from 8:00am - 3:00pm for parents or by phoning the finance officer Sue on 3451 2703 (Credit Card payments only). If you wish to pay via internet banking, the BSB is 064 170, A/C 00090123. *Please use your student's name as a reference for this transaction.* **If you have not paid your Term 1 instalment are now overdue, please pay now.**

For parents paying by instalment, your term two **\$57 payment is now due. If you have not paid your Term 1 instalment, it is now overdue.** For parents/caregivers who are experiencing financial difficulty please contact the BSM on 3451 2710 to make special arrangements.

## Year Level News

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### Year 8

#### *Josh Fuller*

The Year 8 Parent Night was a great success. For parents who were unable to attend, the highlights of the night are as follows:

- Any student, who missed the immunisation day, can get their free vaccinations at the Council chambers; 150 Wembley Rd, Logan Central from 3:30 - 7:00pm every Thursday. Please phone 3412 5318 for details.
- For all Sports Excellence enquiries, contact Phil Carroll (Head of Department) on 34512737.
- Next term, maths classes will be streamed in order to achieve high academic outcomes for students. All students are required to have the following necessary equipment for Maths:
  - Calculator
  - Pens
  - Ruler
  - A work book dedicated to Maths
- The Year 8 Camp has been cancelled until further notice. Students will be selected to attend the camp by invitation only. Selection will be based on school behaviour so keep up the good work.
- Did you know the Assessment Calendar can be viewed on line? Log on to [www.shaiparkshs.eq.edu.au](http://www.shaiparkshs.eq.edu.au), Calendars, Assessment calendars, Year 8 Assessment Calendar Semester 1, 2008 PDF. The Assessment Calendar uses codes that correspond with the school timetable so you will need a copy of your son or daughter's timetable, identify their subjects and you will be able to get an idea of their assessment for each subject and due dates.

### Year 9

#### *Sarah Morris*

I'm sure the Year 9 students would agree that it has certainly been a very hectic but enjoyable start to the year.

A number of Year 9 students have had varying roles and responsibilities to perform this term. From excelling in the school's instrumental music programme, to leading the way at the Swimming Carnival and Round Robins, this term has definitely had something for everyone.

As we prepare for parent teacher interviews on 28 April, I would like to wish all students well for their Interim Reports. I trust that all students who have put in the hard work and effort this term will be justly rewarded with encouraging reports.

I would also like to take this opportunity to inform students and parents of my absence for the first five weeks of term two. Whilst I will be back to see out the remainder of term two, Cecilia Hall will dutifully take over the role of Year Co-ordinator. I know she will do a fabulous job and encourage you to direct any questions or concerns to Ms Hall, in the S Block staffroom, in my absence.

Finally, I wish you well for your second NAPLAN practice test which will be conducted on the Tuesday 21 April to Thursday 23 April (first week back) and I hope all students have a happy and safe break. Enjoy the week off and good luck for your return in Term 2.

## Year 10

### *Anna Elliott*

As term one comes to a close, it is hard to believe that Easter is upon us again. It has been an interesting term with many adjustments for the year 10s as they take on a more “senior” mindset and approach to their studies.

I would like to acknowledge a few achievements that the students have accomplished:

- Caitlin Stubbs, Danielle Knight and Monique Barra for being selected for the Queensland State Futsal side
- Brendan Stevens for also being selected in the State Futsal team, travelling to Melbourne to compete at a National level
- The amazing talent of the year 10 Dance Class who performed on parade last week. Their professionalism, commitment and energy was outstanding.
- The year 10 students who have been selected to represent Shailer in Dance Squad this year - Matt, Lisa, Hannah, Bec, Maddi, Meagan, Candice, Alex, Rebecca, Laura, Zhoe , Jordy.
- Rebecca and Kyle for their hard work as our year level representatives for 2009.

Wishing you all a safe and happy Easter break!

## Year 11

### *Kim Herholdt*

On Wednesday 29 April, all Year 11 students will participate in a road safety education program aimed at reducing death and injury amongst young people on Australian roads.

RYDA (Rotary Youth Driver Awareness) is a community-based initiative of Rotary Clubs, together with other organisations in our community that have an interest in road safety for youth. Focusing on attitude and awareness the aim is to help youth adults become better drivers on the road.

Students will attend the program at Mt Cotton training centre which consists of six sessions throughout the day. Permission letters and medical forms have been sent home with students. The day is heavily subsidised and will cost students only \$20 which includes bus transport to and from the venue. Students are to wear sports uniform and provide their own lunch.

I am certain that this will be an invaluable day for the Year 11 students. To all Year 11 students and their families, I hope you enjoy a relaxing Easter break.



## Year 12

### *Anne-Maree King*

BUSY, BUSY. BUSY!!

The Year 12 students have continued their busy start to the year and are involved in a number of various activities. The Senior Executive has taken on what could be considered the daunting role of organizing and presenting the full school assemblies every Wednesday morning. This requires them to introduce guest speakers, prepare audio visual presentations and deliver the daily notices for both staff and students. This is a role of great responsibility and puts their organizational and leadership qualities to the test. To this point they have done a magnificent job and have certainly 'raised the bar', something that we regularly strive to do.

The school cross country event is coming up on the first Friday after the Easter break and the student council have decided to take the opportunity to do some more fundraising by spraying hair in house colours.

The sporting house captains are busy planning lunchtime inter-house sporting events to foster participation amongst year levels and provide an opportunity to break the boredom of the lunch time break. Stay tuned for more information.

I would like to congratulate all senior students who are demonstrating leadership qualities and making themselves visible in the school. Keep up the great work.

## Meet the Youth Support Coordinator

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Hi Guys

Just thought I would introduce myself. I am Samantha Stock, your new Youth Support Coordinator. I am available Mondays and Thursday, sharing the nurse's room. Bec has told me how great you all are so I am looking forward meeting some of you in the near future.

I've got some exciting news about events happening at school for term two. Brainstorm Productions will be coming here on the 26 June 2009 to perform a play called **Verbal Combat**. This will be a fun interactive play focused on staying safe and bullying for Year 8 & 9 students. For more information come and see Sam or chat to your Year Level Coordinators.

# Debating off to a good start!

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## Debating Coordinator

***Melanie Kine***

On the 11 March our senior debating team made up of Jessica Maris and Jacob Morgan (yr 12) and Jessica Gilbey (yr 11), travelled to Flagstone State Community College to compete in the first round of the 2009 ENABLE debating competition. The topic to be debated was that “the pursuit of money is the pathway to despair”. Our team argued for the negative case and were successful in their efforts, each scoring commendable results. The second round was held at Marsden High School on Wednesday 1 April.

This time our team argued the affirmative case for the topic “that Walt Disney has done more for Humankind than William Shakespeare”. We were successful yet again although this time the results were a little closer. This is setting the pace for what is shaping up to be a very competitive draw with all teams continuing to improve. Our next debate is being held at Shailer Park SHS on Wednesday 20 May at 5:30pm. Our team would love to have a large cheer squad to support their efforts.

## EMC<sup>2</sup>

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### HOD Mathematics

***Ros Christopherson***

In 2009 Year 11 and 12 Maths C students at Shailer Park are enrolled in the EMC<sup>2</sup> program. Students travel to Griffith University on Tuesday morning and Thursday afternoon to work with other students in the Enable network to learn Maths C.

The course at Griffith University is designed to show relevance and purpose for the mathematics being taught. The most significant aspect of this project is the opportunity for our students to work in an intellectually stimulating environment with peers pursuing challenging goals.

Chris Maters is our Griffith University mentor. On Tuesday 17 March, Year 11 students participated in the first *Day of Excellence* under Chris’s guidelines. Students were shown how the mathematics they are studying can be used in the real world. In the morning students looked at a population model and saw how a computer program *Maths Lab* can be used to predict future population growths. In the afternoon students looked at how outside influences have effects on volcanoes using computers and students’ mathematical knowledge of variables.

It was St Patrick’s Day. At lunch students were treated to a live band playing Irish songs. The University provided them with a sausage sizzle. At the end of the day each student was given a certificate of participation. The day was enjoyed by all.

Four of these days are planned for 2009. Year 11 students will have two days and will continue to look at how Mathematics is used in many different fields.

Year 12 students will be working on their assignments with the assistance of University lecturers, tutors and facilities. These days will assist students to develop high order thinking skills.

Students are working hard to make the program a success. They leave school at 8am every Tuesday morning and give up their lunch hour every Thursday. Year 12 students work with students from Woodridge and Kingston State High School, while Year 11 students work with students from Loganlea State High School as well.

Thank-you students.

## Contacting your child at school

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The number of phone calls received during the school day from parents/guardians asking for messages to be relayed to their children has become too numerous and time-consuming for the office staff to handle. These calls should be limited to emergencies only eg. emergency doctor's appointment or a sudden family illness. Arrangements regarding collection of children from school should be made before the child leaves home in the morning. Your attention to this matter would be greatly appreciated.

## SOS Excursion

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### Year 12 student

#### *Jessica Marris*

Bus. Check. Students. Check. Ms Herholdt and Mr Bubbers. Check. Ready to depart for a day of sitting back and being driven around various Brisbane suburbs, the Year 12 SOS students clambered aboard a bus on Friday 6 March.

Little did we know that what we would learn from the day would alter our perceptions of the society in which we live. The class toured the Brisbane suburbs of Shailer Park, Woodridge, Sunnybank, Inala, Chelmer and West End.

Students and the teachers looked on in awe at the beautiful houses of Chelmer and Sunnybank, experienced the hustle and bustle in West End, discovered the diversity of residents within Woodridge and felt like we had walked into another world at the Inala shops.

The excursion allowed us to observe the socio-economic differences present within various suburbs and provided interesting insight into the varying lifestyles people lead. But let's not forget the best part, now we get to write a report on our findings!

## Instrumental Music

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Instrumental Music Students are enjoying the Pizza and Movie Nights and afternoon teas provided by the Parent Support Group. Twenty six students took advantage of the opportunity enjoying the soft drink, pop corn and star burst lolly pops while watching the movie. The students would like to thank the family that kindly provided the Star Bursts.

The Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings is scheduled for Sunday 17 May. If you are able to donate some time to manning the stall please call Jacquie Begley on 0402 908135 or 3891 1717.

As the music students are keen for a change of uniform the parent group is still investigating various alternatives to the current shirt. This has proven to be more difficult than they thought due to the great variations in the sizes required. If you have any ideas or contacts that could be useful please contact the Music Support Group via Ms Filippow.

Emailing is proving to be a successful means of communication. If you are not on the list and would like to receive relevant information please contact Glen Court.

Plans for the Music camp are well under way with the first \$60 instalment due last Tuesday 31 March. Subsequent instalments are due \$50.00 on **Tuesday 28 April** and \$50.00 final payment due by **Tuesday 26 May**.

All payments to be made at the Finance Office. Camp dates are Thursday 16 – Sunday 19 July. Glen Court, Dianne Hein and Sean Butler will be joined by guest lecturers Dave Mattick and Mark Polland. Funds to supplement the student payment are being provided by the Music Support Group.

It is small wonder that the Music Support group received a letter of acknowledgement of their great work from our District Director, Sam Knowles.

Finally we would like to acknowledge the great work being done by this year's Band Captains. The year has certainly started exceptionally well.

The Concert Band will be playing at our Anzac ceremony on Friday 24 April 24.

## State Futsal Titles

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Congratulations to our 9 teams that competed in the State Futsal Titles in March. All teams competed in a Round Robin day and 6 of our teams qualified for the State Futsal Finals Day on Friday 27 March. Every student wore their uniform with pride and competed to the best of their ability. Below is a list of the fantastic results achieved by our teams:

### U/13 boys

- After a slow start, were very competitive and with more experience and training will be quite successful in the future

### U/14 boys - Top 2 in state

- Undefeated in Round Robin Day
- Beat Centenary SHS 5 - 3 in Round 16 game
- Beat Albany Creek 3 - 2 in Quarter Finals
- Beat Mansfield SHS 4 - 3 in Semi Finals
- **Qualified for QLD Futsal U/14 boys Final against Kawana Waters (national champions)**

### U/15 boys - Top 8 in state

- Undefeated in Round Robin Day, scoring 38 goals for and 6 against
- Beat St Mary's 5 - 2 in Round 16 game
- Lost to eventual finalists Cavendish Road SHS

### U/16 boys - Top 16 in state

- 2<sup>nd</sup> in Round Robin Day
- Narrowly lost in Round 16 game against Warwick

### U/19 boys - Top 8 in state

- Undefeated in Round Robin Day
- Beat Macgregor 4 - 3 in Round 16 game

Lost to eventual finalists Mansfield SHS by 2 goals in Quarter Finals

### U/14 girls - Top 8 in state

- Undefeated in Round Robin Day, conceding no goals
- Beat Chancellor in Round 16 game
- Lost to Cleveland SHS by 1 goal in Quarter Finals

### U/15 girls - Top 16 in state

- Undefeated in Round Robin Day, playing in the U/16 competition
- Lost to Trinity College by 1 goal in Round 16 game

## U16 girls

Narrowly missed out on reaching finals day after being knocked out by Gympie SHS

## U/19 girls

Narrowly missed out on reaching finals day after being knocked out by Cleveland SHS, eventual finalists

# Outstanding Results for Shailer

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## Queensland Futsal Squad Selections

Congratulations to these students for making the Queensland State Futsal Squad for their age groups. They will now trial to make the final team of 12.

### BOYS

Matt Bailey – U/19  
Grant Davis – U/16  
Dom Green – U/16  
Brendan – U/15  
Luke – U/14  
Amir – U/14

### GIRLS

Holly – U/13  
Tijana – U/13  
Monique – U/14  
Christine – U/14  
Monique – U/15  
Danielle – U/15  
Caitlin – U/15  
Katie Currell – U/16  
Hannah Schofield – U/16  
Alana Webb – U/16  
Danielle Keenan – U/19  
Larissa Markobasic – U/19

## Round Robin 1 & 2 District Premiers

Year 8 Boys Tennis – Premiers

Junior Boys Basketball	Premiers
Junior Boys AFL	Premiers
Junior Girls Football	Premiers
Senior Girls Volleyball	Premiers
Senior Boys Basketball	Premiers

Year 10 Girls Netball	Runners-up
Year 10 Boys Futsal	Runners-up
Senior Boys Futsal	Runners-up
Senior Girls Football	Runners-up
Senior Boys AFL	Runners-up

## Pacific District Premiers

### U/19 Girls Football

Katie Currell  
Danielle Keenan  
Jessica Marris  
Larissa Markobasic

### U/15 Girls Football

Monique  
Monique  
Danielle  
Christine  
Irene

### U/15 Girls Netball

Hayley

### U/19 Girls Netball

Memory Richard  
Shannon Strike

### U/19 Boys Basketball

Nick Diduk

## South Coast Representative

Shannon Strike – U/19 Girls Netball

## Nominate your favourite teacher

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*Students are now able to tell us all about what makes their teacher so special with the My Favourite Teacher program. This year, students are asked to nominate a teacher who has inspired them to become more creative as part of the Year of Creativity.*

*My Favourite Teacher is an opportunity to recognise and reward the commitment of Queensland state school teachers. Last year, Queensland students cast more than 4000 votes. State school students are encouraged to nominate their favourite teacher via the Department's website:  
[www.education.qld.gov.au/community/events/edweek/favteacher/](http://www.education.qld.gov.au/community/events/edweek/favteacher/)*

*All students need to do is write in 25 words or less why their favourite teacher is so special. **Entries close on 8 May** and the winning teachers will be announced during State Education Week, to be held from 1 – 5 June.*

## General News

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### Host Family Needed

Shailer Park State High School will be hosting a group of Japanese students from Itami Junior High School from 22 July to 1 August 2009 (10 nights). We are looking for families who will be available to host two students for this time.

Students will travel to and from school with your children and you will be required to provide three meals

per day. AJSP will pay \$32.00 per student per night (\$640.00 in total) to help with out of pocket expenses. Hosting an international student can be a very rewarding experience for the whole family.

A member from AJSP will visit your family before Itami Junior High School arrives to go through the programme with you and answer any queries your family may have. There will always be a support person from AJSP available to help you for the duration of your students stay.

If you are interested in becoming a host family, please complete the application form on the reverse of this letter and return it to the school or directly to us at either PO Box 7288 Loganholme 4129 or email [homestay@ajsp.net.au](mailto:homestay@ajsp.net.au).

Unfortunately if you have another Japanese student staying with you during this time, you will be unable to host a student from Itami Junior High School.

It is the law that all adults living in the house over 18 yrs must be the holder of a 'Blue Card'. If you do not hold a blue card, please telephone me and I will organise the relevant form to be sent to you.

If you have any queries whatsoever, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0421 744339

## Return to Paid Employment

Career Keys are running a Return to Work Program starting February in Jimboomba and Marsden. The 'What About You' program is for parents, carers, mature aged, long-term unemployed and young people (aged 17-24) who are looking for support in returning to paid employment. The course is **FREE** and offers supported and guided training.

If interest please contact Helen Buckman at Career Keys today on 3200 2700.

This project is funded by the Department of Employment and Industrial Relations' *Skilling Queenslanders for Work* initiative.

## Online Game Safety

All online games are a chance for your children to be exposed to inappropriate web sites, other users and unsuitable content. Parents are encouraged to review online safety tips with your children and discuss the dangers in online games with them. Here are some discussion points you could use to start a conversation:

- Technology is readily available where children can speak, using their own voice, with strangers online - particularly in online game sites and chatrooms. This means that others online can easily determine the gender and age of your children. To make your children a little safer from online harassment, especially females, it is recommended that your children use a voice mask, which will change their voice to something altogether different (a male, female, young, old, teenager or a robot for example).
- Online games can be a group experience - and many children organise with their friends to go online jointly and form teams. A challenging game can be an intense experience and many children need to be aware that they may be verbally attacked while online. Other teams may yell abuse at you, and even people in your own team may be caught up in the online activity and say wounding things if they feel you aren't pulling your weight. If this occurs, tell your children to log off immediately, walk away and talk to their parents about what happened.
- The only interactive live voice game that WiredSafety.org (an internet safety organisation) has approved is Xbox®. Xbox® comes with built-in parental controls which prevent the child from using voice chat until the parent feels they are able to handle it safely. None of the others they reviewed contain the safety features and the report functions that are essential to a safe and private interactive gaming experience. However, WiredSafety.org recommends that Xbox® live be reserved for children over 12, and that parents closely supervise the live chat experience.

- Don't reveal any personal identity information in your Screen Names, such as your birthday, hobbies, hometown or school.

Most importantly, the best way to avoid online predators in games is to make sure your children know they can come to you if things go wrong without worrying that you will over-react and throw the game console out with the bathwater. Research has consistently shown that children are hesitant to discuss online problems with their parents because they think you are more than

<h1>April 2009</h1>						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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				<b>Good Friday</b>		
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
<b>Easter Monday</b>	<b>SCHOOL HOLIDAYS</b>					
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
<b>Student Free Day</b>		Jupiters Casino Excursion Yr 12 Tourism		ANZAC Day Ceremony		
	<b>*** Yr 9 NAPLAN Practice Test ***</b>			School Cross Country		
27	28	29	30			
	<b>Parent Teacher Interviews</b>	Round Robin Payment Due				

<h1>May 2009</h1>						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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<b>P&amp;C Meeting 1st Tues of the Month from 6:30pm</b>						
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<b>Public Holiday</b>	Round Robin <i>Whole school event</i>			Versace Yr 12 Tourism		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	<b>NAPLAN TESTING YEAR 9 STUDENT</b>			Youth Parliament Excursion Yr 11/12 Legal		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Defensive Driving Yr 12 students			Northern States AFL Boys Club			