



BRIGHT FUTURES

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Welcome to Shailer 2006!



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A very warm welcome to each new and returning student and to your family. We have been delighted that strong enrolment numbers have signalled a positive start to 2006. Welcome to new students from Canada, Fiji, New Zealand, private and state schools near and far.

Schools are busy, exciting places to be. Thank you to all parents who have worked hard to dress and equip your child for high school. We appreciate your support for the Dress Code and School Resource Scheme.

I challenged the students on assembly to:

1. Have a go
2. Give your best
3. Look after your mates

At Shailer we are proudly Australian in character and International in outlook. The National Anthem rings out at each Tuesday's assembly. In February we will welcome our first tour group for the year from Japan.

We all share Amanda Woodham's excitement at being awarded an OP1. Amanda will study Biomedical Science Dual Degree/ Secondary Education at the University of Queensland. Congratulations Amanda!

Students who strive for excellence all continue to achieve outstanding results. We are delighted that the majority of year 12 students who applied for tertiary entrance have received an offer to University or TAFE.

THANK YOU VARIETY QUEENSLAND!

A mighty thank you to Variety Queensland for again making a tremendous new donation to the Special Education Unit.

Trevor Varell advised that the committee will present an interactive smart board to the Special Education Unit.

Last year, Variety donated a 12 seat bus to the school.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Interschool Swimming Carnival	Tuesday 31 January (all day event – all students)
Music Parent Meeting	Wednesday 1 February from 4pm in the Performing Arts Block
School Photographs	Monday 6 February
P&C Meeting	Tuesday 7 February from 7pm in Sapphires Restaurant
Parent Information Evening Year 8	Tuesday 7 February from 6pm to 7pm in S Block
Daisy Hill Day Years 8 & 12	Thursday 16 February
Year 8 Camp	Wednesday 15 March to Friday 17 March

Year 8 students off to a great start

A warm welcome to all year 8 students and their families. Our year 8 students have survived their first week of high school and they still seem to be smiling. The students have participated in introductory activities and shared a delicious BBQ with the year 12 students. Only a handful have needed to be directed when lost!

I have received very positive feedback from year 8 teachers about the students behaviour and attitudes. Well done students, keep up the excellent work and remember your goal of making two new friends each day and aiming towards your first Behaviour Award.

Kim Herholdt
Year 8 Coordinator



*As Nichole Mossman puts it
"We're here mum and
we're fine!"*

P&C WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

The Shailer Park State High School Parents and Citizens Association is made up of marvellous volunteers who add great value to this school. If you would like to volunteer your time in any way, please contact the Canteen on 3209 9735 or the Uniform Shop on 3209 9849 with your details. It is a good opportunity to socialise and meet new friends, while helping the school.

The first P&C meeting will be held on **Tuesday 7 February from 7pm to 9pm in Sapphires Restaurant and Training Centre**. This is your chance to share ideas, create positive changes in our school and contribute to your child's future.

Parents of year 8 students are particularly welcome to join this small group of enthusiasts.

Peter Anderson
President

TECHNOLOGY TO CUT TRUANCY

The school is investing in the MGM technology to daily send parents a message via their mobile phone recording absences or late arrivals. The process begins on Monday 6 February at 10:30am.

Please advise the office if you have a new mobile number.

NEW CARPARK APPROVED

Cr Darren Power and the Logan City Council have agreed to set aside \$125 000 to construct additional car parking spaces on the school site to benefit the school and InSports.

REQUEST FOR DONATIONS

All students, parents and staff:
Please support our Visual Arts Program by donating any **shoes, boots and old sporting equipment including helmets and safety gear** to the Art Department as soon as possible. All items are appreciated regardless of the condition. All contributions can be delivered to F block staffroom.

PHOTO PROCEDURES FOR STUDENTS



School students will be having their photos taken on Monday 6 February.

Students are required to wear the full day uniform. No Jewellery.

Information and group photo envelopes have been given to students today to take home.

WHAT SHOES SHOULD YOU WEAR?

The full day uniform includes plain black leather lace-up school shoes or joggers. NO skate shoes will be permitted. The sports uniform includes either plain black or plain white lace-up joggers. If you wish to save money, purchase the black joggers which can be worn for both the day and sports uniform. Socks must be predominantly white and not be shorter than the ankle.

STUDENT EXCHANGE AUSTRALIA

A free information evening will be held on Wednesday 1 February from 7:30pm to 9:00pm at Goodearth Hotel, 345 Wickham Terrace, Brisbane

- ◆ Come and meet our staff
- ◆ Hear comprehensive information on all aspects of exchange.
- ◆ Ask questions
- ◆ Listen to questions asked by other students and parents
- ◆ Meet other students who are considering going on exchange
- ◆ Scholarships available!

For information visit www.studentexchange.org.au or phone 1300 135 331 for the cost of a local call.