



# IMAGES OF GREATNESS

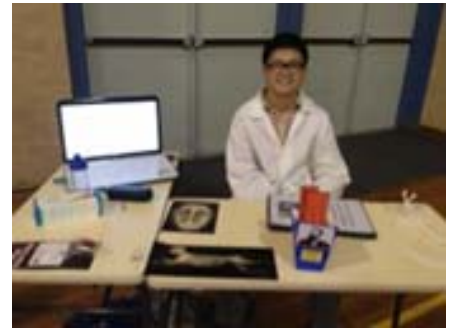
By Luke Bristow, Middle school coordinator

On Monday night the year 7 'Supernova' class kicked Education Week off with their Images of Greatness presentation night. The night was the culmination of 10 weeks of research and preparation designed to showcase the talents and knowledge of our selective year 7 class.

Able led by Mrs Clurey, students researched an eminent individual and developed oral and visual representations that captured the essence of their achievements. Students dressed as their chosen personality and constructed displays that visually communicated why they were considered great. After enjoying a sausage sizzle and light refreshments over 100 parents, grandparents and friends were dazzled by the on stage performances of the students before casually wandering around the displays and interacting with the personalities.

Steve Irwin, Neil Armstrong, Nelson Mandela, Captain James Cook, Florence Nightingale, John Monash and William Shakespeare were all present and willing to share their experiences with those in attendance whilst Beethoven showcased his talents and told tales of how he overcame his disability. Queen Victoria with her warmth and strong interpersonal skills was a hit with the crowd and it's rumoured she even smiled on the night. All the displays were outstanding and highly engaging.

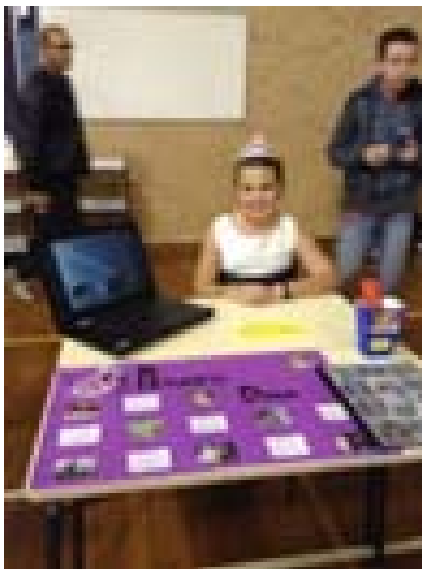




A big thanks to all the students, parents and behind the scenes workers who made the night the great success it was and a special thanks to Mrs Clurey for guiding the students on their learning journeys.

The quality of the presentations and the depth of knowledge and empathy the students demonstrated was remarkable and are testament to the success of Banora Point High School's Middle School Program and commitment to quality teaching and learning.

The final word goes to one of our students who in her evaluation of the experience wrote; "it was a great experience because we got to learn about people and be in their place. It was hard to do the research but we all got there in the end. It was a fantastic night and we would love to do it again."





## From the Principal

**Mr Greg Smith**

Education week was celebrated at Banora Point High with the introduction of a new learning program for our Supernova class. They produced their first Images of Greatness event and it was a wonderful success. This program is based on the Williams Model for curriculum differentiation. The model provides ideas about how to infuse a program with challenges for gifted students. This model is based on studies of the creative person and process. Students chose a significant figure in history who had been involved in overcoming new challenges. We had a large range of characters from the past including Neil Armstrong and Captain Cook. The students did presentations on stage as well as question and answer activities from their information booths. Congratulations to all students involved in this new program and thank you to the staff and parents who supported them so well. A special thanks to Mrs Clurey and Mr Bristow for their leadership of this program.



The P&C meeting has been moved to Tuesday 6th August at 7.00pm. Some key issues that will be discussed include changes to the canteen, uniform and the homework policy. Our

P&C continue to be a very active body and are making significant contributions to our school. Come along and be a part of this important part of our school community.

We are currently reviewing our Homework Policy document. New homework guidelines were developed by the DEC in 2012, along with both a Research Scan and a Parent Guide to Homework. The Research Scan summarises research on homework, looks at both the Australian and the international context, by examining more than 50 national and international studies. Strategies are outlined that help to maximise the advantages of homework. It also looks at whether the time spent on homework helps to improve student outcomes. Links to these documents are included below:

- [Homework Policy - Guidelines](#)
- [Homework Policy - Research Scan](#)
- [Homework Policy – Parent Guide](#)

It is important that we have a clear understanding regarding the purpose, nature and volume of homework so that we provide the best support for our students' learning as well as an appropriate lifestyle balance. We are also currently developing a survey tool that will seek opinions from students, parents and staff to help us with the development of our homework policy. If you are interested in being involved in the homework policy team, please contact the school or our P&C reps at your earliest convenience.

Our Trial Higher School Certificate exams commence in week 4 and wish our students every success. Once again I can't emphasise strongly enough that the most important aspects of our exams is proper preparation prior to the exams and effective feedback following them. Students will have little idea about their capabilities if they haven't put the effort in and will be uncertain how to improve if they aren't able or willing to apply post exam feedback.



## CAREERS NEWS by Jess Dreyer

The careers office has been flooded with lots of eager students with questions about subject selections, up and coming excursions, and university applications. Year 10 students have finalised their subject choices for 2014 and that has been with the help of the Curriculum Team headed by Mr Edwards. Students have selected from a large choice of subjects and are well on their way to a successful HSC campaign. I've had a large number of both Year 11 and Year 10 students interested in applying for and studying a University Course early, which is great. Once again I have detailed the information below for you to have a look at. This really is a fantastic way to secure and kick-start your future. Well done to the Year 9 students that travelled with Mr Duff last Thursday to Southern Cross University Gold Coast Campus for a fun-filled workshop designed to aspire students towards a tertiary education level; "Uni-Bound" was a huge success. Please remember that the best contact for me will be via email, so if you would like to discuss anything with me, please send an email with your contact details and I will phone you as soon as I am free. [jessicalee.dreyer@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:jessicalee.dreyer@det.nsw.edu.au).

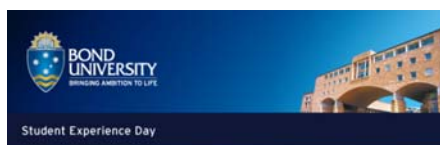
### UNIVERSITY NEWS

Online registrations for University of Queensland Young Scholars Program, SCU Head-Start 2014, Bond University SFS and Griffith University GUESTS program have now opened or will be opening soon. Interested students can now apply via:



[www.uq.edu.au/youngscholars](http://www.uq.edu.au/youngscholars) and [www.scu.edu.au/headstart](http://www.scu.edu.au/headstart) and [www.griffith.edu.au/admissions/guests-program](http://www.griffith.edu.au/admissions/guests-program) and [www.bond.edu.au/study-at-bond/student-for-a-semester-program](http://www.bond.edu.au/study-at-bond/student-for-a-semester-program). These programs are highly recommended for students who want to achieve to their potential and beyond. They will study a 1st year University Course, gain credit for future studies, and pick up guaranteed entry into their degree upon successful completion of their HSC, and it's FREE. Closing Dates: SCU 1/9/13; BOND 9/8/13; UQ 9/8/13; and GU 1/9/13.

For more information please contact me.



### YEAR 12 NEWS

Year 12 students have been busy researching their courses for study in 2014 and filling out early entry forms. UAC and QTAC have now officially opened, and its full steam ahead to the end of the year, with heads down studying. Good luck to all students in their trials. You all have been working so hard.



### CONGRATULATIONS!

#### Scott McMullan:

Scott has just been accepted as a GUEST student at Griffith University, and will study an "Introduction to MultiMedia" at the Gold Coast Campus for this 2nd semester.

*Well Done Scott.!*



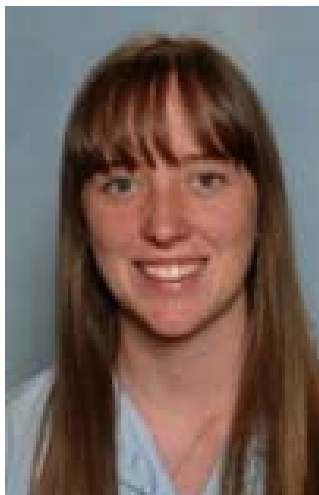
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**Beth Miller:**

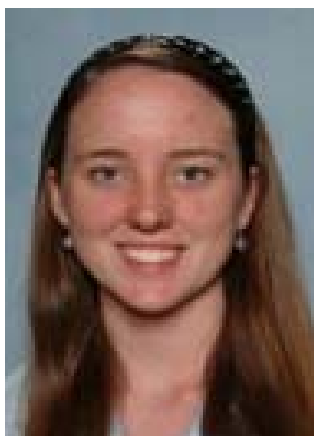
Beth has attained a Passing Grade with a Credit as a GUEST Student studying "Foundations of Computer Systems". She has guaranteed entry for 2014.

*Well done Beth.*

**Janelle Miller:**

Janelle has attained a Passing Grade as a GUEST Student studying "Law & the Modern State". She has guaranteed entry for 2014.

*Well done Janelle*

**Joshua Woodhart:**

Josh has attained a Passing Grade with a Distinction as a GUEST Student studying "Introduction to Politics". He has guaranteed entry for 2014.

*Well done Josh.*



## SCHOOL-BASED TRAINEE

**Brooke Coulter:**

Brooke is in Year 10 and has just been signed up as a School-Based Trainee with Wealth Vision. Brooke will be completing a Cert II In Business Services as well as her HSC. She will attend TAFE for half a day each week and work 1 full day per week. Thank you to Wealth Vision for giving Brooke this wonderful opportunity. Awesome Brooke.





**Tom Durey:** Tom was nominated by the Rotary Club of Tweed Heads and has been chosen out of a field of almost 1,300 applicants to attend the National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) to be held in Perth or Canberra in January 2014. NYSF gives students hands-on experience in areas such as quantum physics, climate change, marine science, surgery and engineering. It also allows them to engage in debates where they question the legal, political and ethical implications of sciences' hottest topics. Fantastic Tom.



**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOURNALISM, FILM,  
OR MEDIA???**

## HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT A CAREER WORKING IN THE MEDIA INDUSTRY ?

There are many jobs that you can work within the media industry currently in high demand

- Design (Commercial & Technical)
- Society (Cross-Media, Cinema & Radio)
- Screen (Writing, Production, & Analysis)
- Production (Technology & Equipment)
- Journalism (Political, Online & Global)
- 3D, 4D & Animation Technologists



## UP AND COMING DATES

- Titans Girls Academy Workshop 9th August 2013.
- Titans 4 Tomorrow Indigenous Careers Expo 27th August 2013/
- Year 11 Bond University Head Start Day 6th August 2013
- Year 11 Senior Schools Workshop Southern Cross University 24th October 2013.



## UNIVERSITY OPEN DAYS

University Open Days are a wonderful opportunity for students to go along to the campuses and experience the atmosphere of the campus, check out all the facilities and find out all the information that you need.

It is an important time for parents to share in this experience with their children. Some Universities have already had their open days, but would be more than happy to arrange a tour if required. You can contact direct to the Universities or through me if you prefer. The following is a small list of the open days coming up within our area.

- Griffith University Open day 11th August 2013 (All Campuses)

- University of Queensland 4th August 2013
- University of Southern Queensland 4th August 2013
- University of Sunshine Coast 11th August 2013
- Central Queensland University 8th August 2013

## CURRENT VACANCIES

- REECE have many School-Based Apprenticeships and Traineeships available at the moment including: Showroom Sales, Customer Service, Credit Control and Stock Control. Register your interest and to also view and apply for current positions please visit [www.reece.com.au/careers](http://www.reece.com.au/careers) or contact Sandra McAuliffe on 0 4 3 9 0 3 5 2 4 0 or email [smcauliffe@mmtc.com.au](mailto:smcauliffe@mmtc.com.au)

## Y9 UNIBOUND

On Thursday 1 August 2013, 40 year 9 students attended Southern Cross University's Gold Coast Campus. The purpose of the day was to introduce students to the concepts of university and start breaking down some of the barriers that prevent many young people from attending university.

Students were given the benefit of sound advice from university staff about how to succeed and achieve their goals. Current university students told of their experiences working towards attending university and about university life. Further, the Banora Point High School students discovered there are many and varied courses that can be studied at university and the benefits of achieving a degree.

Students were treated to food and entertainment during lunch. They were introduced to a high tech mannequin that replicates many injuries and diseases and is used by medical and nursing students to practice on instead of real patients.

Hopefully, this experience will encourage those students who thought university was irrelevant or out of their reach to consider to possibility of attending university after their senior years.



## SOUTHERN CROSS UNIVERSITY—SENIOR SCHOOLS COURSE DAY

It's always a wonderful day out when you can visit your local university with enthusiastic students.

This week, Southern Cross University held it's Senior Schools' Course Day at their Gold Coast campus. Students from years 11 and 12 attended two very informative sessions of their choice throughout the day.



Tourism, Business, Nursing, Education, Arts, Technology, Midwifery were just some of the sessions that students attended. They learnt about 'uni life' from current students, how to apply, accommodation, course costs, in an extra valuable session. Students were treated to a BBQ lunch and had the chance to listen to a current contemporary music student play and sing in the courtyard.

Southern Cross University is expanding rapidly and it truly is a wonderful campus (check out the view!!)

A big thank you to Lucinda Crewes for inviting us, showing us around and looking after us like VIP's. The partnership Banora Point High School has with Southern Cross is extremely valuable.

Year 12 students are eligible to apply for the STAR Early Entry Scheme—see me for more details or go to the website ([www.scu.edu.au](http://www.scu.edu.au)).









## STUDENT AND COMMUNITY NEWS



### INTERNATIONAL TALL SHIP FESTIVAL

AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND 2013

FREMANTLE  
27 - 29 JULY

HOBART  
20 - 25 SEPTEMBER

ADELAIDE  
29 - 30 AUGUST

SYDNEY  
3 - 10 OCTOBER

MELBOURNE  
09 - 14 SEPTEMBER

AUCKLAND  
25 - 28 OCTOBER

#### JOIN A VOYAGE

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## THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

*Respect for self  
is the  
beginning of cultivating  
virtue in  
men and women*

*Gordon B Hinckley*

## COMING EVENTS

**MONDAY 5—FRIDAY 16 August**  
Year 12 T5 Trials

**TUESDAY 6 August**  
P&C Meeting—7.00pm



**Tweed Coast  
Driving  
School**

**(07) 5524 5180**

## COMMUNITY &amp; SCHOOL NEWS

## AVCAT

The Australian Veterans' Children Assistance Trust is a not-for-profit organisation. AVCAT administer scholarships to help children and grandchildren of the Australian ex-service community with the costs of full-time tertiary education. The most deserving candidates are selected on merit and who, without our help, would be unable to start or complete studies without financial difficulty.

For more information or to apply:

**Contact AVCAT**

Tel: 02-9213 7999 or 1800 620 361 (voicemail)

Email: [avcat@dva.gov.au](mailto:avcat@dva.gov.au)

Website: [www.avcat.org.au](http://www.avcat.org.au)

## TWEED HEALTHY SCHOOLS

As part of the **Tweed Healthy Schools Initiative**, we have two Griffith University Nutrition and Dietetics students, who are going to be working in the secondary school for the first 3 weeks of term 3. The students hope to gain some insights about your children's current school environment, to provide guidance for developing some strategies for developing a healthy promoting school. All students at Banora Point High School will be asked to complete a short online, questionnaire in week 2 that will be accessible through their portal. All students will have the opportunity to voluntarily participate, and all questionnaires will remain anonymous.

If you have any queries about the online survey being administered, please do not hesitate to contact any of the following researchers:

Jessica Singh (BPH nut)  
Student Researcher  
School of Public Health  
Griffith University  
[jessica.singh4@griffithuni.edu.au](mailto:jessica.singh4@griffithuni.edu.au)

Kellie Fischer (BNur, BSc nut)  
School of Public Health  
Griffith University  
[kellie.fischer@griffithuni.edu.au](mailto:kellie.fischer@griffithuni.edu.au)

Miss Lauren Armstrong (APD, MND)  
School of Public Health  
Griffith University  
[Lauren.armstrong@griffith.edu.au](mailto:Lauren.armstrong@griffith.edu.au)

## FAMILY REFERRAL SERVICE



**Far North Coast Family Referral Service** provides information and referral for families seeking support. We bring together families, support services and community resources to help promote the safety and wellbeing of children, young people and families.

Family Referral Workers will help families to identify their most important needs, and connect them with the best services for them.

The Family Referral Service offers a voluntary and integrated service to meet the needs of families. It accepts referrals from:

- All families including culturally and linguistically diverse families, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families, and young people themselves
- Any service that works with children and families including: Government services
- Non-government agencies
- Doctors and health professionals
- Centrelink
- Family support

Referrals can be made by telephone or email, or in person at our Tweed, Lismore and Grafton offices.

The Far North Coast Family Referral Service serves the following Local Government Areas: Tweed Valley, Byron Shire, Ballina Shire, Richmond Valley and Clarence Valley.

**1300 338 774**

Tweed residents call 02 6623 2780

There are Outreach Workers located in the Richmond, Tweed and Clarence Valley areas available to assist families to link them with local support services

Email: [support@familiesnorth.org.au](mailto:support@familiesnorth.org.au)

## UNUSED SCHOOL UNIFORMS

**Have you got any unused uniforms laying around?**

Your uniforms you have grown out of can help others.

We are looking for uniforms to increase the sizes available in our uniform pool and your donation would be extremely appreciated. Items in greatest need are skirts and jumpers, although all items are sought after. Please bring any uniform donations to the office or Mr Randle.



## SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY NEWS

### UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

**The Back to Basics Schoolwear and Sportswear uniform shop** endeavours to supply Banora Point High School with good quality uniforms at the lowest prices. To achieve this we must keep our running costs to a minimum. Please note the opening hours for the beginning of 2013.

Back to Basics take cash and EFTPOS/Credit Cards – we do not accept cheques.

**The hours for the Uniform Shop for Term 3 are:**

8am—11am  
Every Thursday

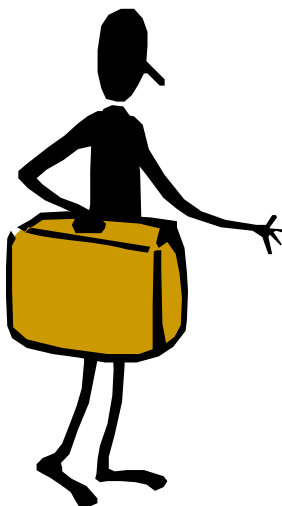


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### ARE YOU GOING AWAY?



If you are taking leave from school (holidays) for 5 days or more, it is essential that you call into the office to collect an **EX-EMPTION FORM**.

This must be completed and returned to the office **PRIOR** to going away.

### DRIVING SCHOOL

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**0412 363 392**



### P & C MEETING

The next P&C Meeting for 2013 will be held on

**Tuesday 6 August**  
at 7.00PM

in the Library—**Special Night!!**

All new parents are most welcome to come along to support your child's school and meet other parents!

*We would love to see you!*

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### 2013 BILAMBIL JUNIOR TOUCH FOOTBALL

We are now taking team listings early—please see website for more details

#### COMPETITION SIGN ON

Teams Only: 9 August 2013 at Bilambil Sports Club from 5.30—7.00pm  
Individual Only: 16 August 2013 at Bilambil Sports Club from 5.30—7.00pm  
Shirt Collection (coaches or delegates) 23 August 2013 at Bilambil Sports Club  
from 5.30—7.00pm

First Game Commences: 30 August 2013 at Bilambil Sports Club 5.00pm NSW  
Grand Final: 6 December 2013 at Bilambil Sports Club 5.00pm NSW

Cost: \$80 per player and **MUST BE PAID IN FULL** before the first game  
(this includes shirt, registration and insurance and end of season free drink and sausage  
sizzle)

Please note the Bilambil Sports club has shut down and the bar and kitchen is no longer running. Council are still allowing us to use the toilets inside. Bilambil Junior Touch will have a small bar available no tap beer. We will also have a BBQ running.

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## Become a WEP Exchange Student

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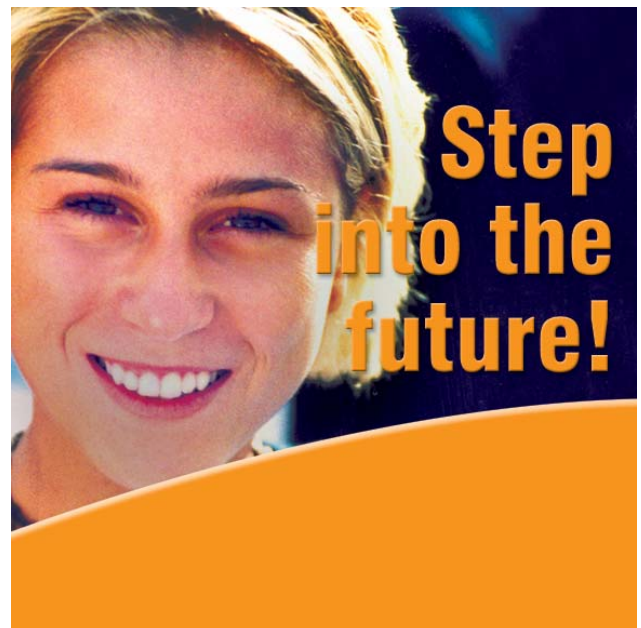
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Email: [info@wep.org.au](mailto:info@wep.org.au)



**COMMUNITY NEWS****EXPERIENCE ANOTHER CULTURE, MAKE NEW FRIENDS  
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HOST FAMILIES NEEDED IN JANUARY 2014**

In January 2014 Student Exchange Australia New Zealand Ltd will be receiving exchange students from Europe, Canada, the USA and Latin America. Our new arrivals will live with a host family and attend a local school for 2-10 months. We are keen to hear from suitable families who might be interested to host a student. It's a great way for them to learn about a new country and share an unforgettable experience with the entire family!

Host families come in all shapes and sizes, backgrounds and ages. Hosting an exchange student can be a truly rewarding experience. It allows a family to experience a foreign culture first hand, be exposed to a new language and pass on a bit of our own culture. They might even make a friend for life!

"Becoming a Host family for an international student has been much more than we expected. We thought it would be great for our kids to learn a little about another language and maybe something about another country. Instead, we gained another family member and some great new friends, her parents from Germany. We get to show off our country and learn so much about hers. What a fantastic experience for all of us." Melissa, Host Mum

You can download the newsletter notice here in Word format or as a JPG. Please note that all our host families are interviewed in their homes and carefully checked for suitability. Profiles of students arriving are currently available on our website.

If you have any questions about hosting an exchange student or would like to view profiles of students arriving from other countries, you can either respond to this email or call our office on 1300 135 331. No obligation.

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

To secure your place, please register online: <http://studentexchange.org.au/info-sessions/>  
1300 135 331 (cost of a local call)





## COMMUNITY NEWS



Surfside Bus lines are presently conducting a program encouraging students that do not have a bus pass, to obtain one. If you are eligible, you travel FREE on their buses and this in turn helps the environment with less fuel emissions, mums and dads time, congestion at school entrances and buses run on time with less traffic congestion.

Application forms are at the school office so fill one in and see if you are eligible. Surfside also state that if you have a bus pass, then you are also eligible to enter a future completion with a HUGE first prize!!! Details in the coming weeks.



## School Transport Services

Catching a school bus is as easy as ABC...

- A** Application - Fill out an application form. Eligible children travel FREE. Applications are available from school administration.
- B** Bus Pass - Remember to show your bus pass EVERY time you travel or have the correct change for your fare.
- C** Check out [www.surfside.com.au](http://www.surfside.com.au) for full details on bus timetables and how to apply for a bus pass.

Application forms are available from your school Administration office.  
When complete, mail the application to:  
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## Budget Driver Training

Very patient and experienced instructor

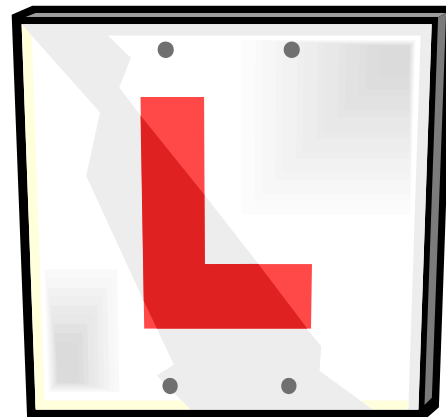
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## STUDENT BEHAVIOUR

**FOCUS: I take responsibility for my actions in the playground**

**This means:**

- Using the in-bounds areas only
- Playing safely
- Playing ball sports in the appropriate areas only
- Being a positive role model to other students

## CHANGE OF INFORMATION

The school is installing a new roll marking/sms network system which requires up to date changes in email addresses and mobile telephone numbers of carers/parents. If you have changed your mobile in the past and feel you may not have informed the school would you please complete this form along with the email address.

Student Name..... Year: .....

Father's Mobile No..... Mother's Mobile No.....

Home Telephone No..... Emergency Contact No.....

Comments.....

## PARENT EMAIL ADDRESS

### SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

We now endeavour to email our School Newsletter to parents directly to their email address. Our goal is to have our Newsletter a paperless one. We would appreciate it if you would update us with changes to your email address in order for us to keep you in the loop. Please fill in the section below and have your child bring it to the front office.

Our fortnight Newsletter is available on our website at [www.banorapnt-h.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.banorapnt-h.schools.nsw.edu.au)

Student Name/s: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address School Newsletter to be forwarded to: \_\_\_\_\_