Welcome to the March edition of the Glenala Gazette

Last Tuesday evening the 2016 P and C Executive team were elected at the Annual General Meeting. On behalf of the school community I thank and congratulate the executive team. I am very appreciative of the time and energy these wonderful people give for the good of Glenala SHS. The executive team include Mr Paul Matthew: President, Mr Bruce Manu-Sione: Vice President, Mr Richard Niu: Treasurer and Mrs Kim Matthew: Secretary. It was wonderful to welcome new parents to the meeting from our Year 7 cohort as well as our regular attendees. I warmly invite other parents/carers and friends to join us. The next meeting is on Tuesday, 19 April. Our P and C have already committed to supporting teaching and learning by purchasing some photocopiers as well as partly funding the hearing testing by Hear and Say this week in 2016.

It is apt that the last ‘Rule of the Week’ of Term 1 is ‘I show pride in myself and others by demonstrating positive school spirit.’ There have been plenty of examples over the last three months including:

- Our Year 12 School leaders have been out about in the local and wider community representing the Glenala student voice and contributing to some interesting discussions. These ‘Movers and Shakers’ have attended the GRIP leadership seminar, The International Women’s Breakfast on March 9 as guests of Annastacia Palaszczuk, Minter Ellison ‘think tank’ on raising awareness of domestic violence in the community and provided feedback to planning representatives for the Inala Community Hub Precinct. The Gazette features our Senior Leaders in this edition.
- The Glenala SHS mighty sporting teams – ‘The Gladiators’ who have been training hard and competing every Tuesday afternoon. Congratulations to those students who have also trialled for Regional and District teams.
- Our Year 8 Debating team who did an outstanding job for their first ever debate. Thanks to Ms Hickey - debating coach and all the enthusiastic supporters. Although the team didn’t win, they enjoyed the experience and are looking forward to the next debate.
- Our Student Representative Council for their efforts raising money for the people of Fiji after the terrible cyclone destroyed much of their land and property.
- The enthusiastic and talented students who are already rehearsing for Glenala Got Talent in May.
- Most importantly those students from years 7 – 12 who have tried their hardest with their studies so far in 2016. This hard work should be reflected in the reports you have received either via email or in this mail out.

This is just a snapshot of the wonderful work of our students, supported by our dedicated staff. We have introduced a new section in the newsletter profiling a staff member in celebration of our talented staff. Mr Brewer is our first profile for 2016.
I would like lend my support to a Student Council initiative that involves one of our school partners – Minter Ellison. The Law firm, led by Rob Reed have included Glenala State High School in their corporate partnership and sponsorship of the ‘Darkness to Daylight Challenge – every step counts’ on May 4-5 at the Southbank Cultural Forecourt. The Challenge focuses on raising awareness and action against domestic violence.

Every year in Australia approximately 110 women, children and men die because of domestic and family violence. This symbolic run is 1 km for those lives lost, but also the ones left behind. The lead runner will hold a candle symbolising the hope that people living with domestic violence feel when finding the courage to speak up and get the support that seems so out of reach. Services are available – but it takes all of us to make a stand.

Individuals can take on the whole 110km; teams can relay through the night; and many others can join the challenge of the last 10km run or the 3km walk representing our community and all the services that are there to help those faced with danger and despair.

Our Student Council has committed to raise $2000 plus for the cause and a number of fundraising ideas are in the process of being actioned. Students are already volunteering to run the 10kms – including our School Captain – Samantha Mauinatu - or walk the final 3kms. It is certainly a worthy cause that will show the wider community again that strong Glenala SHS school spirit!

In closing I would also like to recognise other community partners including the Blue Fin Fishing Club. The Club has donated $1000 for our breakfast club which takes place on Thursday and Friday mornings before school. Our Glenala SHS Trade Skills Centre is near completion and will hopefully be functioning by Semester 2. We have a number of Industry partners who have worked tirelessly to ensure this is a world class facility, training students and community members in the warehousing and automotive industries.

I hope you enjoy this edition of the Glenala Gazette. Have a relaxing holiday break with family and friends.

Best Wishes
Anne Lawson
Principal
Blue Fin Fishing Club – Thanks for the very generous grant for Breakfast Club

At Minter Ellison planning Darkness to Daylight Challenge

Year 8 Debating Team with Ms Hickey and Ms Tran

Girl Power – Female School Leaders and Ms Lawson, guests of the Premier at the International Women’s Day Breakfast.
Emailing Report Cards Term One 2016

Term One Report Cards will be mailed during the last week of this term. In addition to this, Glenala SHS will also email report cards to students who have email addresses for their parents/carers recorded on their enrolment forms. If you have changed your email address or would like a report card emailed, please contact the school to enable this information to be included. You can call on 3877 422, come in person to the Administration Office or email admin@glenalashs.eq.edu.au

Date Claimer: Parent Teacher Interviews
The Great Hall Tuesday 20 April, 2016
Details on ‘How to book online’ will be out with reports.

Glenala Leaders provide youthful insight into planned Inala Community Hub Precinct

On 10th March the Glenala School Captains and Leaders visited the Inala Civic Centre to participate in the community consultation of the planned Inala Community Hub Precinct. The site under consideration for a new hub is the old Richland’s TAFE site, located at 79 Poinsettia Street. The Queensland Government, in conjunction with the Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disabilities Services set up a consultation services for the day in the Civic Centre and our student leaders spent their lunch hour speaking with the planning representatives about how the precinct could best provide services for the Inala community. The student leaders represented the school well and received many compliments on their insight and maturity.

Amanda Deen
Director of Student Achievement
Introducing our Student Leaders

This year at Glenala State High School we have a strong student leadership team of six;
School Captains: Samantha Mauinatu, Emile To’oto’o
Student Leaders: Shania Ah-Dar, Damion Steel
Indigenous Captains: Shanoa Hughes and Tyson Broderick

Why did you want to become a leader?
We all sought the opportunity to work with our school body and the wider community. In particular I saw how some outsiders perceive young people and I want to make a difference in order to prove some of those perceptions false.
- Damion Steel, School leader

What does a leader do at Glenala?
As leaders we ensure we are excellent role models to the students and wider community. We put our school values of Respect and Responsibility, Perseverance, Commitment to Learning and Pride into action everyday in and out of class. We are all committed and passionate about our role and the impact we can have on our fellow students.
- Samantha Mauinatu, School Captain

How does Glenala SHS help you develop your leadership skills?
Here at Glenala we are given many opportunities to grow leadership skills from the very day we start. Most importantly, as a multicultural school with diverse students, we have learnt how to hear everyone’s voices and have learnt how to meet them appropriately.
- Emile To’oto’o, School Captain
Meet our Year Co-ordinators

Year 7 Co-ordinator

My name is David Hamilton and I am the Year 7 Coordinator. I have been teaching for nearly twenty years, mostly in the Inala and Acacia Ridge area. I re-entered teaching after working for 10 years as a manager for Coles Supermarkets. My managerial experience has helped me understand what it was employers looked for in prospective employees; smartly dressed, keen to learn, well-spoken and respectful. These qualities are strongly encouraged at Glenala High School and are seen in the very high standard of dress, behaviour and attitude to learning exhibited by the Year 7’s. We have worked hard in Term 1 and made a great start to the year. We have more hard work ahead of us in Term 2 but are already beginning to see some very pleasing results, academically and socially.

D. Hamilton
Year 7 Coordinator

Year 8 Co-ordinator

My name is Michelle Cox and I am the Year 8 Coordinator. My theme with the Year 8s in 2016 is about being a “legend”. All my Year 8s are “Little Legends”. To be a “Little Legend” means making Mum’s, Dad’s, Carer’s and teacher’s jobs easier through helping our Year 8 students to take ownership of their learning and opportunities in high school. “Little Legends” are organised, prepared, own their behaviours and attend school every day. Our Year 8 focus for 2016 places an emphasis on every student improving everyday effort, behaviour and explaining absences when they are away. “Little Legends” wear the school uniform with pride and always turn up to school with the right equipment. Why is it important to be a “Little Legend”? because “Little Legends” grow up to be our ‘Big Legends’. School Captains, sporting heroes, bosses and maybe even Queensland Premier like Anastacia Palaszczuk. Our 100% attendance “Little Legend’s” for term one will be invited to a morning tea at the beginning of term two to celebrate this significant achievement, recognising the importance of attending every day. Please help us develop our “Little Legends” every day at home by constantly discussing attendance, being prepared for school, wearing the uniform correctly and most importantly to turn up with a positive attitude to try their best at school every day.

M. Cox
Year 8 Coordinator

Year 9 Co-ordinator

The Year 9 students started this year being the best dressed students in Junior Secondary and I think they still are. I can’t believe that we started off in Year 8 with 84 students and now have grown to almost 130. Every morning it is wonderful to greet them as they come to That’s Life classes and even better when they talk to me and tell me what has been happening in their lives. I feel I have got to know them quite well over the last 5 terms. There are still some processes the Year 9’s need to address – attendance and unexplained absences. Unfortunately the year 9’s do have the lowest attendance rate of the Junior Secondary students. I am hoping as the year progresses, they will be quite excited with the topics and opportunities offered to them and attendance will improve.

My role as Year Coordinator will be coming to a close at the end of this term. It has been an absolute pleasure working with these talented and good natured students. I will miss them dearly.

Wishing you all Academic Success.

Anne Gantimuroff
Year 9 Coordinator
Year 10 Co-ordinator

Hi, my name is Sarah Laurie and I am the Year 10 Coordinator for 2016. I have been teaching at Glenala SHS since 2012 in the HPE and English Faculty. This term the year 10’s enter their first year of senior schooling. This is quite a big jump up from Year 9, with class work being more demanding. However the cohort has adapted very well to these demands and many have been attending homework club on a Wednesday and Thursday afternoon. In term two we hope to see the Year 10’s attendance improve, with all students reaching the schools 92% or above attendance rate. In term two we also have a number of guest speakers coming to the school to talk to the cohort.

We have QUT guest speakers educating students on Career Pathway options, Griffith University guest speakers talking about Mental Health and Dyanne Moxham (School Nurse) talking about Healthy Relationships. Well done year 10s for a great term! Let’s aim to be the best attending year level in the school for term 2.

S. Laurie
Year 10 Coordinator

Year 11 Co-ordinator

Hi, I’m Sam Simpson Reeves. I’ve been a teacher for the last 10 years, and in that time have taught in various schools both in Australia and overseas. My specialty teaching areas are Music and History, which I’ve been teaching here at Glenala for the last 4 years and I’ve been honoured this year to take on the year-coordinator position for our year 11s. Term 1 of year 11 has been a challenging time for our students because of the increase in work and responsibility requirements from last year. Our year 11s have stepped up to this challenge and are well on the way to becoming responsible adults. In our time together, the 11s have been discussing career options for the future, and starting to think about mapping out their pathways as they work through their senior years of schooling. In term 2, we are looking forward to consolidating our good start, while looking forwards to see how we can balance our academic and personal growth while maintaining positive mental health and social involvement. It’s a big year, but our 11s are up to the task!

S. Reeves
Year 11 Coordinator

Year 12 Co-ordinator and HOD HPE

My name is Todd Horsley and as well as being a HOD and also Year 12 Coordinator. It is a very busy year for Year 12s with the focus on achieving in subjects and planning for life after school. The Year 12s have also taken their role as leaders very seriously.

Every Friday at first break during term 1, our Year 12 School Captains, School Leaders, Senior Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Leaders, Sports Captains, Arts Captains and Senior Mentors, have hosted a variety of lunch time activities for our year 7 and year 8 students. The activities are advertised, organised and managed by our Senior Students and we have seen some huge interest and participation in these activities. These are free events offered to our junior students with a focus on participation and fun, as well as seeing our senior students demonstrate leadership and responsibility. These events will continue in Term 2, and we hope to they only get bigger and better in 2016.

T. Horsley
Year 12 Coordinator
Staff Profile
Mr James Brewer
GSHS Success Coach

1. What does the Success Coach do at GSHS?
I work with any student who appears to be disengaged or is disengaging from school – either through poor attendance, low achievement or their behaviour choices. My role is to work with the student, the teacher and their family in order for the student to experience more success at school – and most importantly, enjoy school!

2. Why did you become a teacher?
I became a teacher because I wanted to make a difference in the lives of young people and because I recognise that every child has the ability to learn and succeed – no matter where they start from. I love connecting with young people and having a positive impact on their lives. Seeing the Year 12s graduate each year and watching the fantastic people they have become reminds me of this every year.

3. How long have you been teaching at GSHS?
This is my fifth year teaching at Glenala. This has been my very first school, and I intend on staying for a very long time in this community. I would rather work at this school than any other school in Brisbane.

4. What is the highlight of your time at GSHS?
Every year I have been on the Junior Secondary Camp to Maroon Dam has provided many highlights. Amongst those highlights was also an embarrassing moment where I split my pants during a game of spotlight. Victory in that game of spotlight was bitter-sweet, but after the shame faded I could definitely see the funny side!

5. Who inspires you the most?
Two of my biggest inspirations as a teacher are my mum, who is an amazing principal at a school in Sydney, and a very close friend of mine who is also an amazing educator. Both of these strong women have showed me the importance of empathy, patience, compassion and the power of listening and allowing students to feel heard. Without these two, I would not be the person or teacher I am today. I also think it is so powerful to see the resilience that of some of the students exhibit who step through our front gates. They inspire me every day.

6. What is your favourite memory from high school?
Being announced as the School Captain when I was in Year 12 was a pretty special moment, but I can’t go past being able to have lunch with and see my best mates every day – this is something I have come to value a lot since leaving school. As much as school is about good grades and careers, it’s also about having fun and enjoying time with friends and peers.
News From Junior Secondary

We are now coming to the business end of the term, and all students in the Junior School are engaged with their learning, and completing all assessment to the best of their ability. Your child should have homework each night, whether it is revision for exams, assignment work or reading each night. It is vital that your child attends school every day, as there is ongoing assessment, and new work commencing for next term.

**Spelling Bee:** This week, our Year 7 students are engaged with their Spelling Bee. They were provided with one hundred (100) words to learn a few weeks ago, and this week they are being tested on these words in their classrooms. Students who achieve 95 correct out of a possible 100 words will go through to a semi-final, and then a grand final which will determine our overall Year 7 Spelling Bee champion for 2016.

**Grammarama Competition:** Our Year 7 students are also being kept busy with a Grammar competition this week. Our top performers will also go through to a Grand Final which will determine our Grammar Champion for 2016.

**Leadership - That’s Life Captains for Years 7 and 8:** Applications to nominate for Leadership positions in Years 7 and 8 closes this Friday 18th March. Students will then be interviewed by the Director of Student Achievement (Jnr), the Year 7 Co-ordinator and their That’s Life teacher. Successful applicants will be advised early next term, and there will be a special assembly to recognise their achievements. Parents will be invited to this event.

**Hear and Say:** Hear and Say (Paediatric Hearing Services) will be testing the hearing of our Year 7 students next week on the 21st and 22nd of March. All forms should have been returned by now, however late returns will be scanned and emailed to this organisation to enable your students to be tested. This service is free of charge, and will provide all parents with important information about their child’s hearing.

We hope your child is enjoying their schooling here at Glenala SHS. We are very proud of the way the Junior School students are embracing new opportunities, such as Chess club, Drawing Club, Handball competitions as well as Leadership opportunities. Junior School students are well dressed and our attendance rates are excellent. Thank you to all parents/guardians for supporting your child to be prepared for learning each day.

N. Bajwa  
Director of Student Achievement

Science - Planetarium

In Early March a number of our Year 7 students visited the Sir Thomas Brisbane Planetarium. We were fortunate to be given an extremely informative and captivating presentation on our solar system, Galaxy and the universe. The students were astonished by the scale and size of our Universe and had plenty of questions to ask our host Astronomer. We learnt about the vast distances of space and were shown the enormous size of some of our sister stars and galaxies. The tour was followed by a picnic in the beautiful Mt Coot-tha botanical gardens. All planetarium staff and presenters were extremely impressed by our students mature behaviour, interest in science and participation during the presentation.

S. Duff  
Science Teacher
Senior School News

In 2016, Glenala SHS has seen an increase in a number of Year 12 students attending TAFE, mainly at Skills Tech Acacia Ridge in courses such as Furniture Making, Plumbing Services, and Electro technology.

School Based Traineeships numbers are at 37 and growing fast in areas of Hospitality, Retail, Fitness and Childcare. This is a remarkable number at the start of the year.

After a huge success in students gaining a Certificate II in Transport and Logistics through the GenR8 program in 2015, this year we have eleven Year 12 students taking part in the GenR8 program. This project is targeted at Year 12 students who would like to learn more about and experience first-hand, the world of work. This addition to the school curriculum includes a 20 week structured work placement program within a transport, logistics and supply chain business.

Glenala SHS is again offering the AccelR8 program to the Year 12 students this year. Five students were successful in gaining a spot in this highly sort after program, preparing them for a Certificate II in Automotive. Students will be involved in a 20 day program at an Automotive (Heavy Vehicle) workplace and attend TAFE to complete the theory component.

This year Glenala SHS was invited to take part in three new programs: MariN8, Alleve8 and Lamin8. These programs are managed through the Queensland Government’s Department of Education and Training (DET) as well as school.

These are all a school to work transition program for Year 12 students pursuing a career in the culinary industry. In the MariN8 program, students will undertake a Certificate II in Kitchen Operations as well as 20 days structured work placement in a servicing kitchen, providing valuable employability skills in a real workplace. We have five students taking part. The Alleve8 program which covers Health Services has attracted two students and the Lamin8 program has attracted two students as well.

The Glenala Trade Skills Centre construction has started. Programs are being finalised. School has taken possession of a truck from IVECO which will become a critical part of the learning in the TSC work shop. Many thanks must go to our partners from HVIA: Heavy Vehicle Industry Australia for making this possible.

Sharina Gibney
Senior Schooling/ Technology HOD
Home Economics News

The Home Economics Department at Glenala SHS is growing fast in numbers. This year after many years of absence has seen the Year 8’s having an opportunity to learn about healthy eating, knife skills and food preparation. Students are having a wonderful time learning lots of new skills and program is led by Mrs Ashton.

The Year 9’s under the helm of Mrs Ballin have been busily creating delicious and nutritious food. The Year 9’s have to be commended on their attitude and behaviour as class numbers are big this year.

The Hospitality classes have also seen increase in numbers. This year we will see two Year 10 groups completing a Certificate I in Hospitality, gaining students 2 valuable QCE points.

We also have two Year 11 and two Year 12 classes giving students a Certificate II qualification and 4 QCE points. The resources like the kitchens are being utilised more and more. F block is buzzing with activity these days.

The Training Restaurant has commenced, selling Espresso coffee to staff every Tuesday and Thursday. Soon the menu will be extended as students learn more skills in class.

Sharina Gibney
Senior Schooling/Technology HOD

New Engineering Course

Welcome to 2016. This year the ITD Faculty have introduced a new subject that has been made available to year 11 students. The Certificate II in Engineering Pathways is a program written by Skills Tech, Acacia Ridge that is being delivered at Glenala SHS. Students will learn a number of skills such as Metal machining, Arc Welding, Gas Cutting and Braising. Students will be using a number of machine and hand tools in the processes. They will get the chance to get “down and dirty” whilst learning industry practices and completing theory components in class and online work.

T. Blick
Manual Arts Teacher
Maths Faculty

Term 1 2016 has been a busy start to the year in the Maths Department. Most students have completed one piece of assessment and some will be completing another before the end of term. It is important that students keep up to date with their homework and assessment as the term comes to an end. We greatly appreciate the efforts made by parents and carers in supporting our students learning at home.

Since 2015 the school has been teaching the students the See a Plan a Do a Check method for problem solving. This is particularly useful when students are completing maths homework or assessment. As a parent or carer you can use this strategy and the prompting questions to help your child if they need some direction during homework or assessment.

Meg Jacobs
Maths HOD

STUDENT ABSENCES

3877 4241

Every Day Counts
English Department

To Quiz or not to Quiz...

Across
3. Amanda Nulmata has what position at Glenala?
7. What is an Aboriginal word for “Place of Peace”?
8. Junior students can redeem Glenala Way stickers for prizes on this day.
10. You show which Glenala Value by never giving up even if it is difficult?
11. What unit are Year 12 English studying in Term 1?
12. Where are Student Services located? (1,5)
13. What is the surname of the Year 9 Coordinator?
15. What unit are Year 8 Humanities studying in Term 1?

Down
1. Failure to reference assignments correctly means you are not acknowledging your sources. What is this called?
2. Which Glenala Gem will you earn if you receive 3 A’s and no more than 2 B’s?
4. What subject is usually taught in K block?
5. What is the surname of Inala’s Member of Parliament?
6. What is the name of the text Year 11 are studying in English? (3,8)
8. Parent-Teacher Night is on Wednesday of which week in Term 2?
9. Page 88 of your organiser has a valuable guide to what?
14. Wearing the correct school uniform is an example of which Glenala Value?
LOOK AFTER OUR STUDENTS: DRIVE SAFELY ALONG GLENALA ROAD!

Parents/caregivers are asked to note the following road safety tips:

1. Please don’t park on the yellow lines
2. Please don’t park in the school grounds to pick the student up/ drop off
3. Please follow the speed limit signs
4. Please be cautious when driving along Glenala Road

Thank you for your cooperation
2016 Uniform Policy

In formulating this policy, an understanding of cultural, gender and social circumstances has been taken into account. The Parents and Citizens Association of Glenala State High School has made an active decision to be a UNIFORM school in accordance with the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006, as such, the school uniform is to be worn at all times.

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**Jewellery:**
- Allowed - One watch, one low profile ring, one religious medal worn out of sight, one set of 3mm studs worn low in ear.
- Not Allowed - Bracelets, necklaces and facial piercings are NOT permitted.

**Hairstyles** - Extreme hairstyles including outrageous colours, mohawks, tracks, rats tails, undercut and shaved sections are not permitted.

**PLAIN WHITE ANKLE SOCKS** MEANS NO STRIPES, PATTERNS OR LOGOS OF ANY SORT
Get Microsoft Office 2016 Free of Charge

Did you know your child can get Microsoft Office 2016 free of charge, just for being a student at Glenala SHS? All you need is your child’s school email address to sign in.

To help prepare your child for success this academic year, the Department of Education and Training has teamed up with Microsoft to provide free Office 2016 to every Queensland state school student. With Office 2016, your child will have access to the latest version of Word for writing, Excel for spreadsheets, PowerPoint for presentations, OneNote for organisation and notetaking, and much more.

You can install a complete version of the latest Microsoft Office on up to five compatible PCs and Macs, five tablets and five smartphones. Your Office subscription lasts for as long as your child is a state school student.

Ask your child to follow these simple steps to get Office:

- For PC and Mac, visit portal.office.com, login using your school email address, click through to install and follow the onscreen process.
- For tablets and smartphones, download from your app store and sign in with your school email address.

Visit www.education.qld.gov.au/office2016 for instructions on how to download and install Office 2016 to your personal home computers. If you have any trouble, contact Mr Davies in N block.

C. Hayward
HOD of the Arts/IT

2016 Summer Sport Season

The Summer Sport Season is underway again. We have had some great results so far highlighted by the undefeated Year 7 & 8 Girls Touch Football, the Year 7 & 8 Boys and Girls Basketball teams and the Year 9 & 10 Boys Touch Football team.

Our bye round was washed out in Week 7 meaning that has been a slight change to the dates for our final two games. All team members should have received a new draw from their coach outlining these changes. The final two rounds include Springfield Central in Week 9 and Redbank Plains in the first week after the holidays. These will be followed by Semi Finals and then Grand Finals. All teams are in with a chance of qualifying for finals. Good luck and go Gladiators!!!

Brenton O’Neill
Sport Coordinator
TEXTBOOK HIRE SCHEME PAYMENT

You should by now have received your Textbook Hire Scheme Payment form. Thank you to all families who have paid their child’s fees in full. The Textbook Hire Scheme cost for this year is $205.00 per student.

If you have outstanding fees owing from 2015, any payments made will be deducted from this debt first. Your child will be entitled to their Textbooks as soon as you have:

- paid $50 part payment for 2016 and
- have entered into a payment plan for the remainder of fees owing

All fees need to be paid in full by 16th September, 2016. If you do not wish your child to participate in the Textbook Scheme, please phone the office to make an appointment to see me, so the appropriate paperwork can be filled out. At this appointment, a list of resources and textbooks will be provided to you, so you may purchase them for your child.

As indicated on the Textbook Hire Scheme information sheet, you will see there are some subjects which incur a Subject Levy. These costs are separate from the Textbook Hire Scheme. If your child is enrolled in these subjects, the levy will need to be paid by the end of each term. Failure to pay the subject levy will result in you providing resources required for your child to participate in this subject. If your levy is unpaid, your child will not be able to use the school resources.

Payments can be made at the school office between 8am and 4pm Monday to Friday. Payments can also be made using the BPPoint Online System, or by telephone (07 3877 4222), via EFTPOS, using a Visa or Mastercard. There is an option to have deductions taken from Centrelink payments. Application forms can be obtained from the School Office.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me on 38774222.

Julie Vukovic,
Business Services Manager
PARENTS INFORMATION

1. **Online System | Pay School Invoices**
   - Pay School Invoices (SRS; Text Book Fees; Camps, etc.)
   - Access via **ANY** Computer or Smart Phone

2. **Payments Accepted:**
   - MasterCard | VISA

3. **Secure Payment Method**

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**Easy to Use Interface**
