**DECEMBER**

**PREP OPEN DAYS**

Gladstone West is holding our morning in Prep for our 2014 Prep students on Wednesday 27th November at 8:30am at the Gladstone West State School. Prep parents and families need to arrive at the Prep Open Morning and the Prep students will be available to meet Prep families.  

**VOLLEYBALL NEWS**

The volleyball season wrapped up last weekend, with both the Hawks and the Magpies performing very well. The Hawks had a forfeit win over Calliope, which was regarded as a grade that “just made it”. However, as we now rank our students based on our most recent results, we have decided to ensure that everyone was extremely positive and that we celebrate their achievements. This is “C” for completing the season in full. We also would like to thank the mums and dads who made the weekly drive to Tannum Sands from Gladstone to support their children. The Hawks had a forfeit win over Calliope, which was regarded as a grade that “just made it”. However, as we now rank our students based on our most recent results, we have decided to ensure that everyone was extremely positive and that we celebrate their achievements. This is “C” for completing the season in full. We also would like to thank the mums and dads who made the weekly drive to Tannum Sands from Gladstone to support their children.  

**CLASS MEETINGS**

EXTENDED LEARNING PROGRAM – C.O.A.L.

In the lead-up to the holiday period, there will be the opportunity to discuss and develop plans for the 2014 program. Parents and students are invited to come at any time during the holiday period to see the program, discuss it and make suggestions about what would be involved. The 2014 program will be developed by the students and will be updated throughout the year. The final program will be available in term three and will be distributed to all students.

**COMING UP**

GLADSTONE STATE HIGH SCHOOL ORIENTATION

As Year 7 fast draws to a close we look forward to our Year 7 Orientation Day. Our Year 10 students will be working with the Year 7 students and will have the opportunity to participate in the Year 7 Orientation Day. This will enable our students to experience High School, have their questions answered and feel comfortable about starting the new school year. Year 7 orientation day will take place on the Wednesday 27th of November in the school hall, Harvey Road.

**RETURN OF SCHOOL OWNED INSTRUMENTS**

All school instruments must be returned by Wednesday 4th December. Year 7 students will be returning the GSHS Orientation Day will need to have their instruments back on Wednesday 4th December.

**CLOSURE DATES 2013**

**NEW YEAR**

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