

# Pine Rivers State High School

## Annual Highlights 2006



Pine Rivers State High School goes from strength to strength. 2006 was a very successful year. The following were some of our school's major achievements.

### STUDENT OUTCOMES

#### ACADEMIC

##### Year 12 Outcomes

- 70% OP eligible students achieved OP 1 – 15, above region, district and state (state and private school) benchmark
- 12.75% OP eligible students achieve OP 1 – 5
- Percentage of students achieved A on QCS Test greater than state benchmark as was percentage of students achieved A or B or C
- 67% Year 12 students achieved a VET qualification of Certificate 1 or higher
- 93% Year 12 students achieved a Senior Certificate and were OP eligible and/or had a VET qualification
- 7 Year 12 students completed Certificate III in Multimedia
- Dux of School achieved OP 1 and Dean's Scholars Accelerated Program Engineering Scholarship – QUT
- Female School Captain achieved OP1 and Vice-Chancellor's Scholarship to QUT – Bachelor Law – Business
- Year 12 student with a disability achieved Certificate II Automotive in school based traineeship
- Year 12 Outcomes Survey – student success attributed to Pine Rivers culture of teaching and learning

##### Tertiary Studies

- 95% of students who applied through QTAC for tertiary places were successful
- 2 Year 12 students completed tertiary studies through Start QUT program (1 direct entry to QUT)
- 10 Year 12 students achieved direct entry to Brisbane North Institute of TAFE (BNIT)

##### Academic Competition Results

###### Australian Mathematics Competition

- 218 students participants
- 3 High Distinction
- 27 Distinction
- 71 Credit

###### Sunshine Coast Maths Teams Tournament

- 6 Year 8 teams
- 11 Year 9/10 teams
- 9 Year 11/12 teams

###### Queensland Association of Maths Teachers Year 8 Quiz

- Regional winner
- 5<sup>th</sup> place in state final

###### Australasian Schools Science Competition

- 75 participants
- 1 High Distinction
- 11 Distinction
- 27 Credit

###### RACI Australian National Chemistry Quiz

- 96 participants
- 3 High Distinction
- 6 Distinction
- 11 Credit

###### Australian Science Olympiad

- 3 participants
- 1 Credit

###### Exhibition Fruit Wine entries by Year 11 Multi Strand Science

- Participation in 5 shows including RNA Science:
  - 9 first
  - 9 second
  - 3 third
  - 1 Highly Commended
  - 4 Bronze medals
- 1 Champion of Show
- 1 Reserve Champion of Show
- 2 Most Successful Exhibitor (Group Award)

###### National Geography Competition

- 4 High Distinction
- 3 Distinction

###### National Economics Competition

- 1 Distinction

###### National History Challenge Competition

- 25 participants from Year 10 History Extension

#### Other Academic Achievements

##### Tourism Training Queensland (TTQ) Salute to Excellence in Hospitality

- Year 12 student finalist

##### German Exchange with Saarland

- 1 Pine Rivers participant

##### Armidale Forensic Science Camp

- 7 students attended week-long camp for Gifted and Talented students at The Armidale School.

##### STEP Ahead Program

- 72 students selected for Gifted and Talented Program

##### Night of the Notables

- 15 Year 9 students presented at this program for Gifted and Talented Students

##### Lions Youth of the Year

- 4 School Leaders participated:
  - 3 District finalists
  - 1 District Champion

##### Certificate III in Multimedia

- 1 Year 10 student achieved national VET qualification

##### Certificate I in Information Technology

- 17 Year 10 students achieved national VET qualification

##### School Based Traineeships and Apprenticeships

- 72 students signed up in School Based Traineeships

### LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

- High profile, high achievement and excellent teamwork of student leadership team 2006
- Leadership of Year 12 Committees with major activities eg most successful ever Chocolate Drive, production of school magazine, PRISM
- Leadership of students and staff with school walkathon
- Graduation of 26 successful students from **Youth Action Program** (YAP) with school's partnership with Kirra Surf Lifesaving Club
- Achievement by students of 22 Surf Bronze Awards and 12 Surf Rescue Awards
- Achievement by students of 16 Pool Lifeguard Course Awards
- Assistance of Senior students with annual Surf Life Saving Door Knock Appeal
- Leadership of 12 Year 10 Step Ahead students with 86 Year 6 students with **FUN-da-Mentals** Day
- Success of **MATE** (Mentoring and Tutor Enrichment) Program with 56 Year 11 students
- Success of **QIP** (Queensland Interyear Project) leadership with 69 QIP leaders
- Student leadership with representation on school committees

- Provision of special hospitality by Hospitality students at numerous school functions eg Volunteers' Dinner
- Provision of service with Biggest Morning Tea at Community Health Centre
- Construction of facilities by students in Construction to enhance the school eg seating in shade area, rustic seat at front entrance, shelves and desks
- Leadership of Certificate in Recreation students at Sports Carnivals with first aid, as life guards and officials

## CULTURAL

### Visual Arts

- 2 students runners-up in **Minister's for Excellence Art Award**
- 2 students achieved Highly Commended in Pine Rivers Shire Youth Art Award
- Students achieved awards in photography at Samford and Pine Rivers shows
- Revolving art exhibitions of art work from all year levels in the "L" space gallery

### Musical

- Successful major musical theatrical spectacular incorporating dynamic student devised performances in Musical **The Wiz**. Production team of over 200 involving cast, dancers, musicians and crews.
- 5 students presented and interviewed on Radio 99.7 FM for **The Wiz**
- Primary schools from the local area created a full house for matinee performance
- Community performance of **The Wiz** entertained the public at Strathpine Westfield Shopping Centre

### Instrumental Music

- Year 8s introduced to Instrumental Music all day intensive workshops
- Weekend Instrumental Music Camp for all musicians followed by Sunday Camp Finale Concert
- Significant expansion to programs in Wind Ensemble, Percussion Ensemble, Flute Ensemble and implementation of small group combos (highlighted in Chamber Music Concerts)
- String Quartet performed at the annual Biggest Morning Tea for the Community Health Centre in aid of Cancer Research
- Guitar duo performed at Student Art Gallery Exhibition and award winning School Wine Tasting Afternoon
- Stage Band, String Ensemble and Senior Dance Squad in one hour musical and dance showcase tour to four local primary schools
- EXPO and Assembly performances for Stage Band, Concert Band, String Ensemble and Wind Ensemble
- **Fanfare** success in reaching the Finals – String Ensemble and Stage Band with Gold Medal; Concert Band with Silver Medal
- **QYMA Awards** - String Quartet awarded 1<sup>st</sup> place; String Ensemble awarded 3rd placing (by 2 points), Stage Band and Concert Band awarded Honorable Mentions at Qld Youth Music Awards Competition held at Aspley
- String Ensemble, Stage Band accompanied by Senior Dance Squad **Performing Arts Tour** Canberra and regional NSW with rave reviews
- Success at **Festival of Music** competition with String Ensemble awarded 1<sup>st</sup> place A grade, Wind Ensemble reaching the Finals with a High Distinction, Concert Band with Distinction and Stage Band strongly performing at Festival of Music Competition
- String Quartet performance at Senior Pre-Formal
- Selection of 13 (largest cohort ever) for **Qld State Honours Band** at Conservatorium of Music, Griffith University
- 2 Music students selected in **Qld Youth Orchestra 2**; 2 students in **Qld Youth Orchestra 3**
- 3 Music students selected to **Young Con** (including Wind Orchestra, Symphony Orchestra, Big Band, Percussion Ensemble)

### Extension Music

- Hosted successful Twilight and Spring Combined **Extension Music Concerts**
- Autumn, Winter Concerts showcased ensembles and solo artists in musical excellence and Spring Chamber Music featured Undurba State School

### Performing Arts

- EXPO and Performing Arts Night – Concert of music, vocal and dance excellence
- Student selected for **Muso Magic Workshop** Masterclass to write, compose and perform own song 'Letting Go' on CD with video clip as the group *State Unity*
- Student also performed at QPAC for Creative Generation; selected to perform 'Letting Go' at National Apex Teenage Fashion Week Finals, Melbourne
- One vocalist as feature artist and Senior Dance students auditioned and were selected to perform in the **Creative Generation-State Schools Onstage** spectacular in the QPAC Concert Hall as excellence in performance for the launch of Education Week
- Dance Squads representing excellence in Dance invited to perform in **Danc'ED in the Spotlight Dance Festival** at Redcliffe Entertainment Centre for the Sunshine Coast Region
- Collaborative project with Kallangur SS and Year 11 Dance Studies in Kallangur State School **Arts & Bookweek**.
- 1 dance student selected to perform in Backbone Youth Arts **'2High Festival for Young People'**
- Hosting of film festival by Media students to showcase Film & TV productions to competition level during Qld Arts Week
- 1 student film script selected for filming in short film competition based on Shakespearean theme (45 scripts submitted)
- 6 film students selected for production in the **Cinergy Short Film Project**
- 1 student auditioned and selected for role in the **Cinergy Auditions** for the short film project from pool of 200 students
- 7 students impress judges from UQ and Pacific Film and Television Commission and win the Cinergy Short Film Project with production of *Ronald and Juliet*. Screened and student presented to an international audience of Shakespeare scholars and enthusiasts at the **8<sup>th</sup> World Shakespeare Congress** Opening and at the **Cinesparks Film Festival for Young People** as part of the Brisbane International Film Festival.
- 2 students interviewed on **Briz 31** on success and making of *Ronald and Juliet* short film
- Director of *Ronald and Juliet* interviewed live on morning **radio 4BC**
- 2 films entered by 12 Film & TV students win 1<sup>st</sup> place in Animation and 2<sup>nd</sup> place in non-narrative categories in **Rough Cuts Film Festival**, Sunshine Coast
- 4 groups of Year 12 Film & TV students scoop 9 awards (the most from a school) at the **Moviemania Film Gala Night** including Best Film
- 4 Student short films selected for screening at Southbank Cinemas
- 1 film student selected for **In the Bin Short Film Project** team based at Gold Coast
- 1 student film selected for screening at official opening of **National Australian Teachers of Media Conference**

- 3 students auditioned and selected for part acting roles in television ads in the industry
- Weekly entertainment performances at assemblies as well as special ceremonies such as Anzac Day
- Year 10 Media Studies invited to participate in Kids Witness News for Panasonic
- 1 student collaborated with Pine Rivers Shire Council 'Outside and Alive' film project
- Year 9 Skit Team performed as part of Healthy Schools development project and School EXPO
- Year 10 Drama Club developed "Year 9 Are Animals" project for specific Year 9 classes
- Professional Theatre/Dance visits to The Cremorne, Qld Performing Arts Centre, QUT The Roundhouse and Qld Arts Council
- Intensive weekend workshop by **Zen Zen Zo** in physical theatre for selected drama extension students
- 3 Performing Arts students win **YoungStar of the Month Awards** at Quest Newspapers for their contribution in the Arts
- PAN Performing Arts Night showcase of student excellence in music and dance
- Intensive dance workshops with **Expressions Dance Company** for selected senior dance students
- Successful collaborative primary school workshops in Dance (years1-7) and Drama (year 1)
- Industry links – Tertiary Institutions and Industry Organisations
  - \* Professional actor Mr Paul Sherman workshopped Drama student towards audition piece
  - \* Past film/drama students and current tertiary students provided insight into future Arts courses at universities
  - \* QPIX Executive Director, Mr Kerry O'Rourke presented screen resource training opportunities independent film productions with emerging filmmakers to media students
  - \* International guest educator Mr Neil Anderson from Toronto School Education Board presented focus on Media Literacy in the school curriculum
  - \* Senior Editor at Network 10 for *Totally Wild, Toasted*, Mr Brad Wall presented on the future of television careers and interactive technology until 2010
  - \* Presentation by Australian national industry filmmakers Jennifer Ussi, Michael Noonan

## Other

- Year 12 country and western vocalist and Performing Arts student selected to perform and releases EP in New Zealand and Australia; Regularly sings and performs at local and country venues; invited to a US contract
- 10 music students in PRASO – Pine Rivers Area String Orchestra
- Celebration of diverse cultures in Pine Rivers Shire Council Library Multicultural Day with Performing Arts students - Polynesian cultural Hula and ritual celebration dances featuring Samoan and Pacific Islands
- 4 piece rock band performs at Battle of the Bands Festival, Nudgee
- 4 rock bands perform at annual walkathon

## SPORTING

### National Representatives

- 1 student – swimming
- 1 student – indoor soccer

### State Representatives

- 3 students

### Brisbane North Regional Representatives to compete in State Championships

- Swimming – 2 students
- Girl's Soccer – 3 students
- Men's Soccer – 2 students
- Rugby Union – 2 students
- Softball – 1 student
- Futsal – 2 students
- Athletics – 6 students

### Brisbane North Zone Finalists

- Zone Swimming – 22 students
- Zone Athletics – 35 students
- Zone Cross Country – 19 students
- Year 10 Rugby League

### Brisbane North Zone Champions

- Year 8 Boys Soccer

### Metropolitan Finalists

- Ten Pin Bowling
- Open Boys Cricket

### Teams to compete at State Championships

- Ten Pin Bowling
- Open Boys Futsal

### Rugby League Broncos Challenge Finalists

- Year 9
- Year 10

### Rugby League Top 16

- Year 9

## CURRICULUM

- Parent satisfaction levels in survey at Oral Reporting at 99%, that their children are getting a good education at this school
- Parent satisfaction levels in survey at Oral Reporting at 97%, that this school is helping students to prepare for the future
- Student satisfaction levels in Year 12 survey in July at 94%, that they are getting a good education at this school
- Student satisfaction levels in Year 12 survey in July at 91%, that this school is helping students to prepare for the future
- Student satisfaction levels in Client Opinion Survey conducted by Education Queensland significantly above state benchmarks and like school benchmarks with variety of subjects / courses to choose from
- Implementation of new curriculum in Junior school, including:
  - Year 8 Bridges, a semester unit unique to Pine Rivers, focussed on Values Education
  - Year 9 development of Personal Education and Training Plan (PETP)
  - Year 10 development of Senior Education and Training Plan (SETP)
  - Year 10 Introduction Maths A and Introduction Maths B and Foundation Maths
  - Year 10 Horticulture
  - Year 10 Rugby League
  - Year 10 Writing Rules for self nominating students
  - New Year 10 English program with compulsory unit, 'The World of Work'.
  - New Year 10 ICB course with game development
  - Integration of Certificate I in IT in ICA and Certificate I in Media in ICC
- Implementation of Education Adjustments for Students with Disabilities

- Implementation of new curriculum for Senior School including:
  - Pre-Vocational Mathematics (Authority Registered) at Year 11
  - Dance (Authority) at Year 11 and Study of Society for Year 12
- Ongoing review of senior curriculum with revised work programs at Year 11 with:
  - Successful implementation of revised work programs at Year 12 with Ancient History, Modern History, Economics, Biology, Chemistry, Information Processing and Technology, Music, Physics, Physical Education
- Planning for implementation of new curriculum, including:
  - Work with CTQ to prepare for Certificate I Doorway to Construction program (D2C)
  - Certificate I in Automotive in Year 10
  - Certificate I in Work Education in Year 10
- Implementation of Challenge Program for students at risk of leaving school in Year 10
- Internal Quality Review conducted for every VET subject and successful External Quality Review
- 3 students enrolled in Cert III Laboratory Skills through South Bank Institute of TAFE
- Successful partnerships with Tertiary Institutions with students enrolled in and credit for units from Diploma of Justice Administration (BNIT) and Bachelor of Business (OUT)
- Successful Pool Lifeguard course incorporated in Senior Certificate in Recreation course
- Successful week-long Year 8 Camp at Moreton Island continued to be an integral part of curriculum
- New CPR procedures implemented in training for all Year 11 and 12 students
- Achievement by 67% of Year 12 students of 1 or more Vocation Education Training Certificates of Level 1 or higher
- 72 school based traineeships in place for 2006
- Continued success of curriculum to enhance skills of gifted and talented junior students with Step Ahead and subsidiary programs
- Ongoing review and refinement of QCS preparation program and improved QCS test results
- 24 students graduated from Youth Action Program (YAP) with partnership with Kirra Surf Life Saving Inc and Certificates II Outcomes
- Initiative with Power Plays – Year 8 Conference Drama performed by Year 11 students for Year 8s about power relationships and bullying
- Implementation of 3 separate alternative programs:
  - **Programs with a Purpose** for boys, girls and indigenous students
- Year 9 Personal Safety training day in National Safe Schools Week

## PEDAGOGY AND LEARNING CLIMATE

- Parent satisfaction levels in survey at Oral Reporting at 96% with quality of teaching
- Parent satisfaction levels in survey at Oral Reporting at 96% with behaviour of students at this school
- Parent satisfaction levels in survey at Oral Reporting at 98% with processes for managing discipline at this school
- Student satisfaction level in Year 12 survey in July at 94% with quality of teaching
- Student satisfaction levels in Year 12 survey in July at 92% with way computers are used for learning
- Year 12 student satisfaction levels in survey in July at 69% with behaviour of students at this school
- Student satisfaction levels in Year 12 survey in July at 76% with processes for managing discipline in this school
- Extensive survey of 50 randomly selected students for each year level conducted to assess motivation, engagement, work ethic and learning behaviour resulted in consistently positive results
- Total school focus on integration of information technology and multimedia across curriculum to improve learning embedded in practice, although access by all classes was an increasing challenge
- Successful trial of the on-line learning portal to enable 24/7 access to curriculum for students
- Continued development of English-on-line for Year 11 and 12 English students with very positive feedback from students
- Significant investment to improve access to information technology with installation of wireless network and successful introduction of thin client computing to extend the life of computers
- Some flexible arrangements with timetabling to enable greater access to IT facilities eg early starts
- Integration of IT into curriculum in Maths with Year 8 and 9 use of spreadsheets, Year 10 use of graphic calculators and the internet and senior classes use of Microsoft suite, MAPLE software, graphing calculators and the internet
- Incorporation of aspects of Financial Literacy into Pre Vocational Maths and Mathematics A
- Implementation of diverse assessment tasks in line with new Science syllabuses
- Development of Independent Home Study policy in keeping with guidelines of departmental homework policy
- Expansion of design based curriculum in Manual Arts leading to improvement in pedagogy in junior classes
- Improved assessment practices eg diverse assessment tasks in line with new Science syllabuses
- Widespread implementation of 6 pedagogical principles of our Teaching and Learning Culture and ongoing review of curriculum to align with this
- Continuing increased focus on teaching of literacy across the curriculum
- Extensive successful links with community / industry to enhance learning experiences to engage students eg CTQ Mentor program, tertiary institutions, film and sound industry, dance and drama companies, past students in careers
- Improved QCS Test preparation and improved results
- Academic challenge of gifted and talented students with Step ahead program for Year 8 – 10 and associated programs eg Fun-da-Mentals Day involving Year 9 students, Forensic Science Immersion Activity at the Armidale School for Year 9 students and selected Year 10 students, Night of the Notables for Year 9 and 10 students
- Tutorial program involving 15 volunteer tutors provided 67 individual tutorials per week sessions for students experiencing learning difficulties
- Tutorial assistance for targeted indigenous students through the Indigenous Tutorial Assistance Scheme tutor program
- Introduction of 'After School Help' program for all students with support provided by staff of the Independent Learning Centre
- Review of student academic awards and introduction of Attainment Award to celebrate consistently high academic achievement across all subjects
- Improvement in inclusive teaching practice with Educational Adjustment Plans and implementation of appropriate curriculum
- Introduction of Sharing Pedagogy Project
- Introduction of booklet to assist Year 8 students with their learning
- Extensive sharing and collegial support with planning and resources

## SCHOOL CLIMATE AND SCHOOL-COMMUNITY RELATIONS

- Successful Triennial School Review involving leadership of School Council and key facilitators and extensive participation of students, staff and parents and caregivers and a very pleasing report of progress for 2004-6
- Successful implementation of Enrolment Management Plan, containing Year 8 enrolment to 10 classes for the second year in a row and the total enrolment to 1530.6
- Parent satisfaction levels in survey at Oral Reporting at 99% that this is a good school
- Year 12 student satisfaction levels in survey in July at 90% that this is a good school
- Parent satisfaction levels in Education Queensland Client Opinion survey at 91% that this is a good school, above state and like school averages
- Staff satisfaction levels in Staff Opinion survey conducted by Education Queensland significantly above state and like school averages overall and for relationships, school operations, staff morale and work value and recognition
- School EXPO, a focus for celebration of school achievements with school community members and prospective clients
- Successful partnership with 241 employers with work experience, work placement and school-based traineeships and apprenticeships
- 350 students across Years 10, 11 and 12 participate in work placement
- 67 students engaged in School Based Traineeships
- Community links with numerous organisations to provide diverse learning opportunities for students eg QUT lecturers, President Kite Flyers Assoc
- Participation of parents in maths classes, Elementary Maths Mastery and Foundation Maths
- Numerous school functions conducted for parents and caregivers including Parent Information Evenings, Presentation Assemblies, Volunteers' dinner, EXPO, Year 11 SOS Forum, Parent Forums for Year 8 and 9 parents
- Implementation of new Construction course for Senior students D2C (Doorway to Construction) in partnership with CTQ
- Pine Rivers State High School selected as school for hub site for Re-Engineering Australia (REA) Forum project
- Links with local Manufacturing industry ie Brendale Manufacturing Group to promote career pathways for students in high demand area including school visit by apprentices, tours of industry by staff and students, combined school based apprenticeship evening
- Hospitality and Music students performed key role with Community Health Centre Biggest Morning Tea
- Ongoing review and refinement of student progress reporting processes to parents included two parent-teacher interview evenings
- Student performance / subject groups showcase at numerous official functions
- Successful walkathon organised to build total school team and community support
- Liaison with primary schools including Year 7 Visits, PE program, Musical matinee, Year 7 Orientation Day, Middle Schooling Committee, Story books Program
- Leadership of school with Youth Works Inc in partnership with local schools, business sector and Pine Rivers Shire Council
- Partnership with East Coast Training and Apprenticeships to facilitate Safety Induction Card training for students and staff
- Partnership with Nordon Cylinders – Year 12 Industrial Design Award and 4 school-based traineeships in Years 10, 11 and 12 and major sponsorship of REA Project
- Participation by staff and students at Education Day of the World Forum for Resource Management and Sustainable Development
- CPR for Life training for all Year 12 students
- Partnership with Surf Life Saving Queensland with Kirra Club
- Development of School Responsible Behaviour Plan in accordance with EQ Code of School Behaviour
- Creation of striking new School Rules Poster under school code headings of Respect, Pride and Effort for every classroom
- Continued comprehensive Community Education Program
- Pine Rivers Aquatics Club, operating as a subcommittee of our P&C, continued to provide swimming instruction, training for community members.

## RESOURCES

- Parent satisfaction levels in survey at Oral Reporting at 95% with access to technology for their students
- Student satisfaction levels in July Year 12 survey in July at 81% with access to technology
- Parent satisfaction levels in Client Opinion survey conducted by Education Queensland that this is a well equipped school above state and like school benchmarks
- Staff satisfaction levels in Staff Opinion survey conducted by Education Queensland that information and communication technologies are well maintained significantly above state and like school benchmarks
- Staff satisfaction levels in Staff Opinion survey conducted by Education Queensland significantly above like school benchmarks with support, resources and training and also with physical work environment
- Successful application for Investing in our Schools funding for \$148,997 with installation of Wireless Network
- Installation of new curriculum servers for information technology network
- Upgrade of network switches around the school to enhance information technology access
- Successful introduction of thin client computing to extend the life of computer facilities
- Staff facilities enhancement included upgrade of SEU staff space with furniture and computers, additional office space created in admin block
- Extensive print resources purchased including in English, Social Science, literacy resources for students with disabilities
- Purchase of new German texts (catalogue) for Years 8 and 9
- Installation of 6 OPAC computers only for Resource Centre
- Student access to new colour printer in Resource Centre
- Flexible timetable arrangements increased access to computer facilities eg Science
- Purchase of Oxygen Resuscitation equipment for Pool Lifeguard training and to assist with staff and student first aid
- Replacement of canoe trailer
- Regular use of school laptops and data projectors in maths classes
- Establishment of Construction Compound for CTQ projects
- Full maintenance of grand piano and purchase of cradle
- Purchase of additional drum kit
- Effective deployment of DVDs and TVs for delivery of curriculum related documentaries and programs in Social Science
- Construction of new Amenities Block
- Construction of new disabled toilet G Block

- Refurbishment of Kiln Room
- Re-flooring of Chemistry, Biology and Physics Laboratories
- Recarpeting of E Block rooms A4, A9, C7, C8, C3 (staffroom)

## WORKFORCE

- Staff satisfaction levels with physical work environment, relationships, school operations, staff morale, work value and recognition and overall rating in Staff Opinion survey conducted by Education Queensland significantly above state and like school benchmarks
- Staff satisfaction levels with knowledge and skills in curriculum and pedagogy, assessment and reporting, supporting initiatives for improvement in our school, using information and communication technologies in Staff Opinion Survey conducted by Education Queensland significantly above state and like school benchmarks.
- Our quality staff team continued to be our edge with their professionalism and commitment
- Extensive staff participation in learning and development opportunities at 85% in Staff Opinion Survey conducted by Education Queensland, increasing to 100% by end of year
- New CPR qualifications for 37 staff
- Oxygen Equipment CPR qualifications for 7 staff
- 2 staff continuing members of Kirra Surf Life Saving Club in partnership for Recreation course
- Successful deployment of Destinations Officer to assist with tracking of student absenteeism and destination of Year 12 students
- Leadership of Pine Rivers staff with Queensland Studies Authority panel work with 3 State Panel Chairs, 2 District Panel Chairs and 13 District Panellists
- Leadership by staff in professional development external to the school
- Leadership of Head of Department, Learning Technology, with strategic and operational planning and implementation of our total school focus on integration of information technology
- Extensive work undertaken by some teachers in preparing for student learning experiences through learning portals
- Continued maintenance and development of English-on-line site
- Enhancement of staff induction program, including whole day session in first term
- Whole staff professional development to inform of ETRF and SETP and QCE implementation
- Specific professional development for staff with career education counselling
- Staff undertook leadership roles with opportunities to perform duties eg Principal, Deputy Principal, Heads of Department and Year Level Coordinator positions
- Training provided by Workplacement Officer for personnel in other schools
- Tae Kwon Do professional development for Senior PE staff working towards Blue Belt
- Whole school professional development on literacy, including introductory session on teaching of reading
- Extensive links with tertiary institutions and performance industry with workshops for staff and students
- Continued QCS training for staff to be additional school markers for QCS Test trials
- Completion of qualifications by school-based trainees employed by the school eg Cert III Multimedia
- Improved profile of SEU teacher aides with professional development and strategic work with staff and students
- Successful operations of School Based Police Officer, School Based Nurse, District Behaviour staff, Destinations Officer, Workplacement Coordinator
- Very successful External Quality Review of VET subjects in school, facilitated by Head of Department, Senior Schooling
- Promotion of HOSES to Deputy Principal, Redcliffe Special School and appointment of and successful transition of new HOSES.