



KEY DATES

- 5th Sep - Student Free Day
- 8th Sep - School Captain Speeches
- 11th Sep - R U OK Day
- 12th + 13th Sep - Night of Dance Performances
- 13th Sep - Gotcha4Life 24hr row
- 18th Sep - Year 7 to 12 Rewards Day - Spring Thing

As we come towards the end of Term 3, I am edging closer to closing out my first full year at Victoria Point SHS. I am certainly grateful to be leading a school who has been extremely welcoming and receptive to new ideas and moving forward positively for our students. As a school we are in the midst of planning for our 2026 priorities which we will build on our 'belonging' and 'pedagogy' priority areas.

Last week over 16 of our student leaders were invited to Parliament House at the invitation of Rebecca Young MP. She gave them a personalised tour before students sat down to a special lunch held in the Strangers Dining Room. We certainly value the time that Rebecca is investing into the only State High school in her electorate.

Enrolments for 2025 are looking healthy. We currently have over 150 already confirmed for Year 7 in 2026. If there are any families still yet to enrol younger siblings, please contact our school enrolments as soon as possible.

Minister's Visit

On Thursday the 13th of August the Minister for Education and Health, the Honourable John-Paul Langbroek visited Victoria Point SHS. Our students did a wonderful job hosting and showcasing many aspects to our school with our VPTV media crew capturing every moment. Our community project - TUKKA was a real highlight where our students make lunch for students in need in our local primary schools. This was a good opportunity to inform the Minister about our needs in the Redlands.

First Nations Think Tank

This year we have been involved in a regional First Nations Think Tank which involves improving attendance rates for all of our First Nations students. We have been working closely with Redland Bay SS on a small reading project and Victoria Point SS as a cluster initiative with Aunty Robyn working

across all schools. We appreciate the connections we have in our local community with many of our students volunteering their time to the project. Last week we hosted 13 primary and secondary schools at the Think Tank meeting so it was great to showcase our students and cluster at this level.

Student Achievements

Well done to Isla Lett who was selected as 1 of only 4 students across the State to design football boots for a player participating in the Indigenous round of rugby league. Isla's boots were worn by Reece Walsh which was an exciting moment.

Well done to our Year 12 formal committee for running a successful trivia night. Their efforts in hosting, organising and catering did not go unnoticed and will no doubt be a feature of the school's calendar in years to come. We have asked Mr Seymour to make the questions a little easier next time!

Over the coming weeks our dancers will be showcasing their skills and efforts across 2025 through the night of dance performances. Check out our Facebook page to book tickets.

Teaching and Learning @ VPSHS

All teachers have recently participated in 'watching others work' observations as part of their ongoing professional development. The opportunity to discuss the impact to learning from using specific strategies is building a positive learning culture across the school that is focused on student achievements.

As we move into the assessment period it is a good opportunity to check in with your child on how they are progressing. Drafting is an important part of the learning cycle to get feedback. Final submissions will be due across the next 2 weeks.

Spring Thing

This year we will hold our annual Spring Thing carnival as recognition to all students on Thursday the 18th of September. Students will be able to access the activities in allocated year level time slots, and we sincerely thank the P&C for their generous donation for the activities. Students who meet the benchmarks for attendance and achievement will be invited to an additional bonus area on the day.

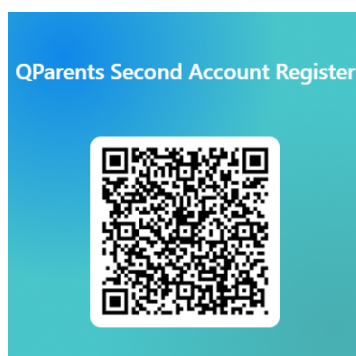
Attendance

Attendance every day is important for all students to engage in the learning journey. Our current attendance rate is 82.3% across the whole school. My challenge as a school is to lift our Week 10 attendance rates for Term 3. As incentive I am offering some edible rewards for those students who have 100% attendance across this week. This will be advertised to all students across the coming weeks. Thank you families in your support of ensuring your child is attending school.

QParents

From 2026 Victoria Point SHS will be utilising the QParents app for all invoicing and student permission forms. Thank you to families who have commenced the set up process for QParents. **Current Year 12 student families do not need to register for QParents.**

Features of QParents and further information can be found at: <https://qparents.qld.edu.au/#/landing>. **Invitation links have previously been sent to the parent listed as 'Parent 1' in Oneschool.** Please check your junk folder. An additional parent can also be requested through this QR code. If you need to prove your identity through the low doc option families are welcome to come to the front office during office hours.



Uniform

2025 has been a year of transition to the new day uniform. From 2026 the formal uniform will be worn on Mondays and the day uniform will be worn from Tuesday - Friday. The previous sports uniform with the teal panels will no longer be able to worn. The uniform shop is open each morning should families wanting to purchase new uniforms.

Student Code of Conduct Review

Every 2 years each school is required to review their student code of conduct and it is important to gather consultation from students, families and staff. I will be sending out different opportunities for our community consultation over the coming weeks so that our 2026/2027 code of conduct is ready for the start of next year. Issues to be reviewed include but are not limited to:

- mobile phone use
- uniform expectations
- minor and major behaviours

If you would like to contribute towards the review, there will be some parent information sessions advertised for early Term 4.

Community Announcement

Earlier this year we had our school-based police officer present to our P&C and discuss the escalation of electric scooters and road bikes. Please see below some additional information that was released

by the Redlands City Council as part of road safety week in August.

Penalties

Exceeding the speed limit:

1-13 km/h over	More than \$160*	14-20 km/h over	More than \$250*
20-30 km/h over	More than \$410*	>30 km/h over	More than \$660*

- Not wearing a helmet:
More than **\$160***
- Doubling:
More than **\$160***
- Using a mobile phone:
More than **\$1250***
- Drinking liquor while riding:
More than **\$500***
- Failure to exchange details in a crash:
More than **\$330***
- Riding on a prohibited road:
More than **\$200***

*Fines can increase from 1 July each year so check qld.gov.au/transport/safety/fines/personal-mobility-device-riding-rules-and-fines for current amounts.

Rules for riders



Scan the QR code for further details, including videos covering these key rules:
streetsmarts.initiatives.qld.gov.au/pmd/get-the-facts



Rules for personal mobility devices in Queensland including:

- E-scooters
- E-unicycles
- E-skateboards

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Penalties

Riding an illegal device

	Unregistered vehicle: More than \$260*	Can be issued to rider or parent
	Uninsured vehicle: More than \$330*	Can be issued to rider or parent
	Not wearing a motorcycle helmet: More than \$500*	+ 3 demerit points
	No motorcycle licence: More than \$550*	
	Total: More than \$1,640*	+ 3 demerit points

*2 or more unregistered and uninsured offences within 5 years may result in the device being impounded or confiscated by police.

E-bike penalties

- Not wearing a helmet:
More than **\$160***
- Not giving way to pedestrians on path:
More than **\$160***
- Using a mobile phone while riding:
More than **\$1,250***
- Excess passengers:
More than **\$160***
- Disobeying give way or stop signs:
More than **\$500***
- Ignoring traffic lights:
More than **\$660***

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Thank you in support of adhering to the road safety rules.

Yours in Education,

Susan Taylor

Proud Principal of Victoria Point SHS