

STUDENT CITIZENSHIP AWARDS 2008

The Student Citizenship Awards are designed to foster pride in Australian citizenship and are presented to those secondary school students in Queensland who have demonstrated outstanding service to their school and to their communities.

The 2008 awards were presented to the recipients at the Old Legislative Council Chamber, Parliament House Brisbane on Monday 8th September 2008.

Gold Medallions and Certificates of Merit were presented to the twelve most meritorious students by the Governor of Queensland, Her Excellency Ms Penelope Wensley AO.

Those students were:

Elisa Nowak – Ingham State High School; **Kate Chambers** – Ferny grove State High School; **Georgia Smith** – Trinity Anglican School; **Grace Tamba** – Yeronga State High School; **Raamvi Vivek** – Kirwan State High School; **Michael Yearney** – Yeronga State High School; **Haus Rapihana** – Mareeba State High School; **Breony Dowling** – Alexandra Hills State High School; **Eleanor Gregory** – Ferny Grove State High School; **Jack Koci** – Mareeba State High School; **Joshua Preece** – North Rockhampton State High; and **Paulyn Wame** – Southport State High School.

Community Service Certificates were presented to a number of students as representatives of all the students who received this award by the Student Citizenship Awards most generous sponsor Mr Peter Honeycombe of Honeycombes Property Group.

Special thanks must go to the judges who had unenviable task of selecting twelve talented students from the many of nominations received. The judges were:

Ms Sally Freney – St Laurence's College; Ms Gerry Gimblett OAM – Beaudesert State School; and Ms Dina Browne AO – National Chairman OAA.

The program commenced with student Joshua Preece playing the National Anthem on keyboard. A welcome address was given by Ms Dina Browne AO, National Chairman OAA and Queensland Branch Chairman Mr Mick Davis AM also addressed the students.

To the delight of the assembled group, Joshua later gave a musical recital as did student Georgia Smith.

A highlight of the afternoon was an address by Her Excellency Ms Penelope Wensley AO, Governor of Queensland who later posed for photographs with the students and then joined the group for afternoon tea on the colonnade.



Mr Royce Voss OAM and Mr Ross Dwyer OAM with SSCA Gold Medallion recipient Ms Paulyn Wame of Southport State High School

Congratulations to every student who nominated for the 2008 Student Citizenship Awards.

(Full details of the student's achievements may be found on the Queensland Branch OAA webpage at "Secondary Student Citizenship Awards".)



Her Excellency Ms Penelope Wensley AO Governor of Queensland with the students

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