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AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE RECOGNISES GOOD SHEPHERD STUDENT'S POTENTIAL

The Australian Defence force has recognised Good Shepherd Lutheran College's Year 11 student Katie Fuller with a Defence Technical Scholarship awarded during a special presentation by Defence Force officials at the College on Monday 13 August.

Katie is one of 123 students in Queensland to receive the scholarship of \$2,000 and she is planning to use the money towards completing her high school studies next year.

The Defence Technical Scholarships (DTS) are offered each year Australia wide and have been designed to encourage students to stay at school and complete Year 11 and 12 while studying mathematics and technical trade subjects.



Pictured Left to Right: Sgt Adam Need, Katie Fuller, Leading Seaman Glenn Ponder & Anthony Dyer (Good Shepherd Principal)

Good Shepherd Career Guidance Counsellor, Graeme Handreck, guided Katie through the DTS application and says he felt very confident for Katie due to her high level of achievement in Year 11 Technology Studies and English.

According to Mr Handreck the scholarship application process was quite intense and involved a lot of research.

"The students needed to go to the Defence Jobs website to research the answers to the application's questions as well as address a hypothetical peacekeeping scenario," said Mr Handreck.

"In addition, students were required to answer all questions in their own handwriting."

The focus of the DTS scholarship program is on students taking a technical trade pathway as opposed to a tertiary pathway but there is no commitment for scholarship recipients to join the Australian Defence Force.

Having gone through the process, Katie is considering engineering as a career pathway and is grateful for the opportunity the Australian Defence Force has provided her.

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