



Left: Mission Australia industry consultant Mark Vincent and JJ Richards Gladstone branch manager Lockie McGaw congratulate Year 12 Chanel College student Ashley Shaw.

Win-win for all

Ashley Shaw has a busy year ahead of him in 2010, combining the best of both worlds with work and school.

Ashley is a Year 12 student at Chanel College and he recently signed up to do a school based apprenticeship with JJ Richards in Gladstone.

Company branch manager Lockie McGaw and Mission Australia industry consultant Mark Vincent are excited about the sign up as Ashley is the first school based apprentice for JJ Richards in this region.

Ashley will do a Certificate III in Automotive Mechanical Technology Heavy Vehicle Road

Transport.

His training will include one day a week working at JJ Richards Gladstone and four days at school.

Ashley got a feel for the job during a stint of work experience at JJ Richards over the Christmas school holidays.

Chanel careers officer Tracy Perryer said school based apprenticeships were a great way for students to gain a qualification in the work force while still completing their school studies.

“The employer also benefits by having a young mind to train with flexible options if you don’t require a full-time employee.”