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From the Principal

Welcome back to students and families of Hervey Bay State High School. I would also like to extend a very warm welcome to the new families who have joined our school community. The start to the school year has been fantastic. Our new Year 7 students spent the first week learning more about secondary school and specifically our school. I enjoyed the chance to meet all year 7 students at their day camp and many families at the O Week Fair on Wednesday afternoon. This is always a great time for families to meet our staff and for us to showcase our great school. I thank all families who came along and were involved in the many activities and exhibits.

On Wednesday afternoon, Rachel Downie from Stymie gave a parent presentation on keeping children safe while on line. She had great strategies and suggestions for the many parents who came along. Quite a number of those present requested a second session with Rachel and I have organised this for May 10. I will send out reminders and further information as the date gets closer, and invite all parents to come along. Cyberbullying is one of our society's many challenges and parent involvement is essential to keep children safe. Most cyberbullying occurs out of school hours but when it impacts on students while at school, we will take action. I would like to thank our student leaders and staff, especially Stacey Josh for the Orientation Week activities and the great start for our year 7 students in secondary school.

As students are settling in to their new studies it is a great time to remind both students and families that attendance is the key to success. Our attendance in Term 1 is always very good and we would like to ensure that this continues for the whole year. If your student is absent from school please ring and explain the absence. We will send you a text message letting you know that

your student has not been marked present in their form class. You can answer this text with an explanation for the absence.

This year we have assigned a Case Manager to all students. This person is your first point of communication concerning your student regarding any special circumstances, questions, support or concerns. You may have changed your Case Manager from last year so please check student timetables to confirm who your contact is now. A great way to communicate with your child's Case Manager is via email as Case Managers also teach classes and may be unavailable when you telephone the school.

Every student has once again been issued with a school diary. This diary has very helpful hints for your student to assist them with both school and their studies. Students will be recording their daily learning goals in this diary so it is a great place to check what your student has been learning in their classes.

If you drop into the administration office you will see we have made some major changes to the public entry and service area which will make your business dealings with the school a lot more comfortable. All parents and visitors to the school will use the main entry for queries, payments and appointments. Only students will access the student services office which has moved for their convenience. If you have school business to complete you can contact the school by phone, email or make payments by "bpoint". If you have a non-urgent query please email admin@herveybayshs.eq.edu.au and one of our friendly office staff will email you any requested information, answers to queries or forms. This is a convenient way for you to communicate with the school. We will continue to use Facebook for general information and send text messages to remind families of important events and student attendance.

Finally, I am looking forward to another great year at Hervey Bay State High School, working with students, families and staff to ensure we all enjoy a safe, respectful and engaging learning environment.

Ms Julie Learoyd

From the Deputy Principal

Welcome to all new students and to all new families who have joined the Hervey Bay State High School community. I hope that you find your time with us both rewarding and enjoyable. Can I please encourage you to 'like' our school Facebook page so that you can be kept up to date with all the varied events that occur in our school. We have grown again in 2018 and are eager to share with you in the educational development of your child.

Timetables

All students have received their timetables for this year. If any changes do occur, students will be issued with a new one via administration. As Day 8 numbers are finalised and the school receives firm confirmation of our staffing allocation, some new classes may be created. If this does occur, some student movement will be necessary.

Senior Students on "Spares"

Some students in the Senior School will receive 'spare' lessons on their timetables due to them undertaking School Based Apprenticeships/Traineeships and/or TAFE Courses. This extra time is allocated so that students can maintain the workload both at school and in the extra study. These spares are not a right and as such there are some rules attached to them which, if breached, may result in the student returning to a full timetable.

Academic Good Standing and Senior School

Year 11 and 12 students have been reminded about the importance of adhering to the school's policy around attendance and participation in their course of study. 90% attendance is a requirement as is maximum participation and completion of all course work and assessment pieces. Students who do not comply with these requirements face the possibility of having their enrolment cancelled and/or having credit for subjects removed.

Mr Rob Burke

From the Deputy Principal

Welcome to Hervey Bay State High School

Welcome to Hervey Bay State High School for 2018, and, especially, a very warm welcome to families new to the school this year. I am looking forward to working with the Year 7 and Year 10 cohorts and hope to build strong, working partnerships with students and carers alike. Should students have any issues arise, please encourage them to contact our support services in G block, or discuss matters with their case managers to ensure that their school year runs smoothly.

Year 7 Orientation Week

Last week our Year 7 students enjoyed their first week of secondary school in style with a comprehensive Orientation Week program. Students enjoyed a week of activities designed to introduce them to our school and make them feel part of the Hervey Bay State High School community. Our expectations for students (getting to know each other, staff and campus) were high priorities for Week 1. Day camps, O Week Fair and special guest speakers all helped our students to have a seamless introduction to high school life. A huge thank you to Miss Josh and her Year 7 team for organising a fantastic week for our students and parents. We look forward to our first timetabled lessons this week and are sure that our students have the confidence to achieve after such a great start.

Year 7 and Year 10 Vaccinations

Hervey Bay State High School is participating in Queensland Health's annual School Immunisation Program. All Year 7 and Year 10 students have been offered free vaccinations as recommended on the National Immunisation Program schedule. Envelopes containing permission forms and information were provided to students last week and it is requested that they be returned by **Monday 12 February**, as a representation from the vaccination provider will come to collect them from the school after this day. If your child didn't receive an envelope last week, please ask them to call into Student Services to collect one.

Only students with a **signed and completed consent card, indicated "Yes to Vaccination"** will be vaccinated. An external provider, OzCare, has been contracted by Queensland Health to undertake the vaccination program. They will collect any returned forms from our school for the next round of immunisations.

New laws require the school Principal to disclose student and parent information for eligible students to the school immunisation provider if requested. This information will enable the school immunisation provider to determine those who have and have not consented, and directly follow-up with parents of students who have not yet returned a consent card. This direct follow-up ensures all parents are offered the opportunity for their child to participate in this important school health program. It may also assist you in making decisions about your child's immunisation needs. Parents who have indicated "No to Vaccination" will not receive follow-up from the provider.

School immunisation providers will be bound to comply with the *Information Privacy Act 2009 (Qld)*.

This Act stipulates the requirements for the secure collection, use, storage and disposal of personal information. The vaccinations will be conducted by a team of authorized registered nurses and/or a medical practitioner. Parents are encouraged to ensure their children have an adequate breakfast on the morning of vaccination, and adequate food and drink for the day.

The vaccination team will be visiting the school to give the free vaccinations on **Tuesday 27 February** for both Year 7 and Year 10 and then again for the second round on **Thursday 18 October** for Year 7s again. For further information about the

School Immunisation Program please call 12 HEALTH (13 43 25 84) or visit the link below.

<http://www.health.qld.gov.au/immunisation>

Ms Sharyn Thomas

Year 7 Orientation Week

What a great start to high school for our Year 7 students! Students participated in a range of activities in their first week allowing them to make friends, learn school rules and find their way around Hervey Bay State High School. Some of the sessions students participated in were:

- Cyber Safety
- STYMIE session from Rachel Downie
- Resilience and how to deal with anger
- Bullying 'No Way' Program
- Positive Behaviour for learning lessons
- Team building games
- Day camps
- Positive self-talk session
- Healthy habits to help us succeed at high school

Wednesday Week 1 saw our 'O' Fair with parents and carers invited in to see what services and activities are available here at Hervey Bay State High School. There were faculty displays, support services, Headspace, Zumba demonstrations, sports sign-ups, club sign-ups, Uniform Shop and Canteen as well as our 'Thanks a Latte' café was up and running.

We were also lucky to have a very informative STYMIE parent session on your child and the dangers of different social media. We plan to have another session in May for parents to attend.

A BIG thank you to all students, leaders, staff and all of the parent and carers for a wonderful start to the year and we look forward to a great year.

Stacey Josh

Head of Department - Transition

Procedures for Absenteeism, Late Arrivals and Leaving Early

Collecting your child early . . .

If you are planning to collect your child during the day, please provide a note to Student Services at the beginning of the day. Your student will then be issued a pass to leave class. This assists your student to be in the Student Services office ready to sign out when you arrive.

Please be aware that there are no telephones in classrooms nor is the public address system allowed to be used during class time. Therefore, to communicate a message to a student during class requires a school officer to physically go to that room and deliver the message in person.

If your child is absent . . .

Please provide a note to Student Services the next day or phone the Student Absence Line on 4194 3760. Alternatively, respond to the text message requesting an explanation. All absences need to be explained.

Late arrivals . . .

Please send a note with your student, to be given to Student Services on arrival, explaining their lateness.

For more information regarding these processes, please refer to the information in your student's diary.

Student Resource Scheme

Hervey Bay State High School offers a Student Resource Scheme (LRS) for students in Years 7 to 12. The LRS requires an annual payment of \$200.00. A discount of \$20.00 is offered per student if LRS is paid in full by 09 February 2018.

For families who choose not to use this scheme a full list of resources can be requested from the office.

Office hours: Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Collection of Textbooks

Students who have paid their LRS2018 fees or are on a contract will be issued textbooks during their English class at the beginning of 2018.

If your student is absent during this English class, please inform them that they must collect their textbooks from the eHub **before school** or **during recesses**. This will also apply to students who start at the school or pay their fees after this day.

Parents, please note that it is the student's responsibility to ensure they have collected their textbooks.

School Fees Payment

Reminder to parents: when depositing payments into Hervey Bay State High School's bank account, please use a reference such as student's name, invoice number or reason for the payment, e.g. **SmithJ12345** or **SmithJLRS**. This will ensure accounts are paid promptly. We appreciate your assistance with this matter.

Uniform Shop

Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.	Enter and exit through the Old Maryborough Road gate. Available for parents and students.
Wednesday 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Enter and exit through the Old Maryborough Road gate.
By appointment:	Telephone 0407 746 073
Payment:	EFTPOS and/or cash acceptable Lay-by available

Students can access the uniform shop during first or second recess.

If it is more convenient, parents can place an order and pay over the phone. Students can then collect the order later.

Please contact 07 4194 3790 for any uniform inquiries.

Canteen News

Welcome to a new year. We are excited to bring you all a variety of healthy meals for breakfast and lunch daily. **Please remember that all students need their manners and full school uniform to be served.** EFTPOS is **only** available for senior students (Yrs. 10-12), however all EFTPOS transactions incur a \$0.20 surcharge.

Our menu can be found on the school website:

<https://herveybayshs.eq.edu.au/Facilities/Tuckshop/Pages/Tuckshop.aspx>

Ordering

If you would like to order any items, please do so before 9.00am. Pre-ordering, particularly our daily specials, avoids disappointment of missing out. Every day we have a selection of fresh sandwiches, rolls, wraps and salads. We also have a 'special' each day. Please read the notices for the weeks specials.

Price Rises

Students will notice a price rise on some of our favourite items. Salad Boxes \$4.00 - \$4.50,

Pies \$4.00 - \$4.50, and Sausage Rolls \$3.00 - \$3.50. We have had to increase these prices due to a number of suppliers' price rises, payroll costs, and lack of volunteer help. Some of the items that have been increased have not changed for several years. Previously, we have been able to absorb most of these increases, but unfortunately we are no longer in a position do so. Our canteen prides itself on providing staff and students with a selection of items at a very reasonable cost.

Roster

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
05/02/18	06/02/18	07/02/18	08/02/18	09/02/18
B. Anson S. Martin N. Parry L. Brown	B. Anson J. Quinn	J. Quinn B. Ewens	S. Petersen D. Wilson	R. Kloft HELPER NEEDED
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<i>Basil Pesto Turkish Bread</i>	<i>Bacon Double Cheese Burger</i>	<i>Deville Chicken Burger</i>	<i>Chicken Souvlaki Wrap</i>	<i>Homestyle Pizzas</i>
12/02/18	12/02/18	14/02/18	15/02/18	16/02/18
B. Anson	B. Anson	B. Ewens	N. Griffin	R. Kloft

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
S. Martin N. Parry	J. Quinn	HELPER NEEDED	HELPER NEEDED	HELPER NEEDED
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<i>turkey, Swiss Cheese and Cranberry Sauce Turkish Bread</i>	<i>Hawaiian Beef Burger</i>	<i>Chicken Parmesan Burger</i> Valentine's Day Sweets	<i>Fully-loaded Hotdogs</i>	<i>Homestyle Pizzas</i>

Help Needed

Do you have a spare couple of hours once a week, fortnight or month? We are always in need of extra hands to help feed the 1000 + students, reduce their waiting time and keep the prices down. If you could lend a hand, please contact Kylie Atkinson on 4194 3790.



If you are unable to help in the Canteen, please read the P & C Volunteer Request below to learn other ways in which you can support the school.

Ms Renei Lewis
Canteen Assistant