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Hervey Bay
State High School

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From the Principal

Administration office closed on March 7, 8 and 9

Parents and families, the administration office will be closed to all parents and families on these days due to the current roof being replaced. All staff will have to vacate the building while this work is being completed. Students will have access to a 'downsized' Student Services area elsewhere in the school but we will be unable to assist families with payments or personal requests. All office staff, including the school leadership team, will be temporarily relocated and will not have the usual access to telephone services. This may cause some inconvenience, however, the school will still be operational but with reduced public personal service. I would strongly encourage you to undertake all personal business with the school prior to March 7, otherwise it is back to normal business from Monday 12 March. At this time we anticipate that phone traffic will be very busy so if you have general enquiries please use the school email admin@herveybayshs.eq.edu.au and our friendly office staff will answer your questions and requests by return email.

On Monday 12 February I had the pleasure of presenting our student leadership team with their badges of office. This included our School Captains and School Ambassadors. The number of students who have involved themselves in the leadership program is fantastic and their sense of purpose for working with students, staff and the community is both inspiring and to be congratulated. I am looking forward to working with these students throughout the year, starting with their leadership camp on Fraser Island where they set their agenda to make a difference within the school. I have also been working with Miss Stacey Josh on a leadership acknowledgement program that will be introduced this year. The intention is to recognise the great work that our leaders

do with the Year 7 program, our primary transition program, incentive days and social events. I would encourage all students to be involved in student leadership as it promotes self-confidence, community connection and engagement.

What to do during the lunch break when students are bored?? Our lunchtime activities have broadened again this year and it is great to see the number of students who are choosing to be involved in these activities during first and second breaks. There is an activity for everyone! Check out the range on Facebook or the school website. By far the most popular is still Zumba which packs out the Great Hall twice a week. On most days more than 100 students regularly Zumba their lunch break away!

While we are having some hot days I encourage parents and families to provide a water bottle for their students so that they can access water throughout the day and remain hydrated. Most of our classrooms now have air-conditioning or they get a natural sea breeze. Students are taking advantage of the air-conditioned eHub during breaks while others are using the pool to cool down.

It has been a great start to the year with students having settled in well. Coming into the middle of the term it is more important than ever that students are attending school every day so that work leading towards assessment is not missed. Is your student's attendance 90% or better?

Ms Julie Learoyd

From the Deputy Principal

Leadership Investiture

Congratulations to all the Hervey Bay State High School Leaders who received their badges on Monday during our School Investiture. In what was probably the hottest school day of the year to date, our 2018 School Captains did a great job hosting the morning and outlining the importance and privilege of leadership. Our Leadership group is comprised of our School Captains, students from Year 8 and 9 (Junior Leaders), 10 and 11 (Senior Leaders) and our School Ambassadors in Year 12. The whole administration team and school staff look forward working with this group of students in 2018. Our 2018 School Captains will have their first external function when they meet with all other Secondary Leaders for breakfast on Wednesday 14 February.



School Captains



School Ambassadors



Senior Leaders



Junior Leaders

Enrolments and Subject Changes

Hervey Bay State High School has traditionally been a school that enrolls students all year round and as such has a fairly fluctuating student population. Subject selections (for elective subjects) are made by each year level towards the end of the preceding year and classes created accordingly. To be fair to new enrolments, there needs to be some capacity left in classes to cater for student subject choice and as such not all subject change requests can be granted. This is also the case where students have requested changes into courses that have prerequisite requirements and they do not meet these. The time has now passed for any subject changes in the Senior School – further opportunity will be made available to Year 11 students at the completion of Semester 1.

Behaviour Level Changes

Last week was Change of Level week and many students took advantage of this opportunity to move to a level that will allow them to gain access to more incentive activities and school representation. This opportunity will be available to students again in Week 7 of this term. Students who display appropriate behaviours and get involved in extra-curricular activities will

certainly be looked upon favourably when these requests to move levels come in.

Mr Rob Burke

From the Deputy Principal

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 have been provided to students and were requested to be returned by **Monday 12 February**. If your child didn't receive an envelope last week, please call into Student Services to collect.

Only students with a **signed and completed consent card, indicating "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. If you have not returned your forms, OzCare will be in touch with your family to check.

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. Parents are encouraged to ensure their children have an adequate breakfast on the morning of vaccination, and adequate food and drink for the day.

For further information about the School Immunisation Program please call 12 HEALTH (13 43 25 84) or visit the website below.

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

Literacy Focus

Literacy forms one of our key focus areas for 2018. Our staff are dedicated to improving the literacy and numeracy outcomes for our students, and are working on whole school strategies to do so. An exciting addition to our literacy team this year is our new Head of Department Literacy, Mrs Rose Whittingham. Rose comes to Hervey Bay State High School with a wealth of knowledge in the areas of literacy, pedagogy and behaviour management. We look forward to progressing our literacy agenda with her this year. Welcome to Hervey Bay State High School, Mrs Whittingham.

Our Xtreme Reading Program will continue again this year, and our Learning Support Teacher Aides are busy gathering information on where students are at for their participation in 2018. We were very pleased with the progress our reading students made last year and are keen to continue that level of success. Keep tuned for further details in coming weeks.

Road Safety

The end of the school day is always busy, and can be a difficult time for students to manage their way home in a crowd. Please remind your students to use the designated crossings, and not to run out into traffic to jump into vehicles. We have witnessed several very close calls while on bus duty last week and would not like to see any student endanger themselves further.

Ms Sharyn Thomas

ZUMBA Fluro Disco

All students on Levels 1 – 4 are invited to Hervey Bay State High School's ZUMBA Fluro Disco on Thursday 22 February. Click on the link below to see all the details.

Supporting Students' Success

The start of the school year can be an emotional rollercoaster for some students and their families.

We are fortunate to have a diverse support team that assists students and their families who are faced with various barriers in reaching their potential. The Support Team provides strategies and specialised support at an individual, group and school level. Our aim is to create a safe and healthy environment that supports 'the whole' student and we are committed to producing well-rounded individuals who can participate effectively in the wider community as citizens of tomorrow. To access the Support Team, students are to make an appointment at G Block during recess. The Hervey Bay State High School Support Team consists of:

Guidance Counsellors – Bernadette York, Sharon Coyne and Lizzie Van Eerden

Students are able to access a registered psychologist and counsellors for support five days a week. Our Guidance Officers provide a range of counselling services around mental health, career and alternative pathways, family support (which includes mentors, financial and relationship) and psychoeducational assessments to ensure students are reaching their learning potential.



Bernadette York Sharon Coyne Lizzy Van Eerden

School Chaplain – Paul Featherstone



Paul Featherstone

Our School Chaplain is on site Monday to Thursday each week. "Chappy" provides pastoral care, support around personal/family/friendship issues, and is a male mentor for many of our students. He also delivers a number of our support programs at a group level including VITAL, Peer Mentor Training and also the Rock and Water program.

School Nurse – Deb Tuche



Deb Tuche

craft group.

Deb, a registered mental health nurse, is on site Tuesdays to Thursdays each week. Deb provides support around any health concerns including growth and development, healthy eating and general health issues. Deb also delivers a number of programs promoting hygiene, healthy relationships as well as smoking/drug/alcohol free lifestyles. Deb is also the co-ordinator of our successful lunch time

School-based Police Officer - Senior Constable Tom MacKinnon



Tom MacKinnon

Officer Tom is on site Tuesday and Thursday each week and provides support on matters of the law, deals with truancy and compulsory schooling issues, and conducts home visits. Tom also delivers our Cultural Vital program and Driver Education presentations.

Head of Student Support – Natasha Steinhardt



Natasha Steinhardt

As well as providing support to all students across the school, Natasha intensively case manages Year 8 and 9 students. She co-ordinates all the support programs offered at Hervey Bay State High School and delivers the Focussing on Instilling Values and Engagement (FIVE) program and Rock and Water.

Please feel free to contact the Support Team if you have any concerns about the emotional and social wellbeing of your child. Members can be reached through the main office on 4194 3777.

Support Programs helping Students' Success

The full suite of support programs will start running Week 3 this term. The programs cater for all students and provide opportunities for them to develop specific skills and reach their

potential. This will aid their success both in and out of school. The programs are delivered by a number of Support Staff including our Chaplain, School-Based Police Officer and teachers as well as our peer mentors and school leaders. Students received invitations to participate in programs last week and need to return completed forms to Students Services as soon as possible. If you require any further information on the programs, please call Natasha Steinhardt Head of Student Support on 4194 3777.

Program	Program Goals	When
Team Up Year 8	Increased self-awareness Improved conflict-resolution skills Demonstrated goal-setting behaviours Boost self-esteem/confidence Increased communication skills Improved problem-solving skills Positive changes in decision-making patterns Reduction in truancy Improved engagement in education and/or family	Period 3 Wednesday (term program)
Peer Mentors Year 10 and 11	Develop a school community Develop relationships across all age groups Develop student leadership, organisational and communication skills Peer mentors will co-facilitate support programs	12 and 13 Feb
Vital Year 10 Boys and Girls	Increased confidence and self-worth Greater value of, and respect and care for, others, their school and their community Improved connection to and productive participation in school, learning and community Enhance each student's potential and confidence to be productive members of the school and community	Group 1 – Period 3 Tuesday Group 2 – Period 4 Wednesday Group 3 – Period 2 Thursday (semester program)
Cultural Boys Year 8 Boys	Integration of consensus based values Increase knowledge and value of indigenous culture Transfer values and social skills to classroom, home setting and community engagement	Period 4 Thursday (full year program)
Deadly Choices Year 7	Awareness of health issues in the indigenous culture Development of healthy life style Increase attendance Awareness of support network available to indigenous community	Period 2 Tuesday (term program)
FIVE	Re-engage in classroom environment Decrease in Behaviour referrals	All day Friday

Program	Program Goals	When
Year 8 and 9 Boys	Increase in self-esteem and self-worth Development of positive relationships Removing themselves from “social dramas Re-engagement with school	(full semester program)
Boys' Club Year 9 Boys	Develop healthy attitude towards self, females and family Encourage development of strength, understanding and self-awareness Understand place and worth in society Develop resilience and discipline	Period 1 Tuesday (term program)

Natasha Steinhardt
Head of Department - Student Support

Dental Forms

Reminder to Year 7 Parents: Dental Forms have been handed out to all Year 7 students. Please return completed forms to Student Services.

Thursday Afternoon Homework Club

Together everyone achieves more!!!



Homework Club will take place every week on a Thursday afternoon from 3:15 until 4:15 in the eHub. Staff will be available to help students complete homework and/or assignments. Students will also be able to access school laptops to complete their work.

This opportunity is open to all students. School rules will apply during the homework club and all students must bring necessary equipment and work to complete. Students will sign a register each time they attend to agree to follow school rules during the session. Parents are responsible for making arrangements for transportation to ensure that students are able to get home safely get after homework club. Afternoon tea will be provided for students in attendance. Please contact Mr Speirs if you require any further information.

Brian Speirs
Head of Department – The Arts

Girls Academy



Please click on the link below to read the first Girls Academy newsletter.

Tracy Yow Yeh
Girls Academy – Program Manager

BYO at Hervey Bay State High School



Our school's Bring Your Own "x" (BYOx) program has expanded this year. Now is the perfect time to join the program which allows students to bring their own compatible device to school, for the purpose of learning.

Our BYOx program:

- recognises the demand for seamless movement between school, work, home and play;
- assists students to improve their learning outcomes in a contemporary educational setting;
- supports students to become responsible digital citizens;
- enhances the teaching and learning process and achievement of student outcomes as well as the skills and experiences that will prepare them for their future studies and careers

The only devices permitted to be used at school are those that fall within the BYOx program. No other devices are permitted. Mobile phones and game devices are not part of the program.

Full information on our school's BYOx program can be found on our website .

To take part in the program, students need to return the required agreement form (signed by parents/carers), along with the payment of the yearly access fee (\$25) which will allow a maximum of three devices per user.

For further information:

- BYOx Device Specifications
- BYOx Student Charter
- BYOx Agreement Form

Ms Sarah Brierley (sbrie11@eq.edu.au)
Head of Department – Teaching and Innovation

School Based Youth Health Nurse

My name is Debbie Tuche and I am the School based Youth Health Nurse at Hervey Bay State High School. I work in Student Services each Wednesday, Thursday and alternate Tuesdays.

For further explanation of my role within the school community, click on the link below.

Ms Debbie Tuche
School Based Youth Health Nurse

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.

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 salad's. We also have a 'special' each day. Please read the notices for the weeks specials.

New Items

- 350 mL flavoured Focus Water - \$2.00 each
- 600 mL Lime Coconut Pump Water - \$3.00 each
- Sweet Chilli Chicken Wraps now available every day in the hot box - \$4.50 each

Roster

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
19/02/18	20/02/18	21/02/18	22/02/18	23/02/18
S. Martin N. Parry	J. Quinn	J. Quinn B. Ewens	S. Petersen D. Wilson	HELPERS NEEDED
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<i>Turkey, Swiss cheese and Cranberry Sauce Turkish Bread</i>	<i>Meatball Sub</i>	<i>Tandoori Chicken Burger</i>	<i>Honey Soy Chicken Wrap</i>	<i>Homestyle Pizzas</i>
26/02/18	27/02/18	28/02/18	01/03/18	02/03/18
S. Martin N. Parr	J. Quinn	J. Quinn B. Ewens	N. Griffin HELPER NEEDED	HELPERS NEEDED
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<i>Pulled Beef, Tomato and Chutney Turkish Bread</i>	<i>Lamb Burger</i>	<i>Southern Chicken Burger</i>	<i>Nachos</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.

Parents' and Citizens' Association

The Parents' and Citizens' Association meets on the second Thursday of each month at 5:00 pm and works with the school and wider community to guide the decision-making and direction of the school. We are here to support all students and their families, the administration, staff and school community and we would like to encourage more parents to attend our P & C meetings. It is also a wonderful place to learn about the school, how it is run and what's going on etc. We're a friendly bunch so if you would like to have a say in your child's education, come along to the Admin building at 5:00 pm on Thursday 8 March.

**HBSHS P&C ASSOCIATION
2018 AGM**

**THURSDAY 8 MARCH, 5PM
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING,
HERVEY BAY STATE HIGH SCHOOL**

All positions and memberships are declared vacant during the AGM, and nominations will be called for the positions of executive. Anyone wishing for more information about the P&C or any executive positions please email rlewi98@eq.edu.au Following the AGM, the

Ms Renei Lewis
Canteen Assistant