### Senior Schooling NEWSLETTER



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#### Welcome

Senior Students have now settled in to the new school year, many of them enrolling in brand new subjects for the first time. Year 12 students have returned to school mid-way through their Unit 3 studies, having already completed assessment in some subjects in Term 4 of last year. Year 11 students are beginning a 2-year course of study working towards a Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) or Queensland Certificate of Individual Achievement (QCIA) while for Year 10 students, the beginning of Senior Schooling brings many changes. We have an extensive team on hand to support our Senior Students and encourage you to contact us for support.

Senior

Year Level Co-ordinators

Year 10: Mr Mark Handley Year 11: Mr Allan Wood Year 12: Ms Alley Morris

Heads of Department Year 10 & VET: Ms Jo McGrath

Year 11/12 & Sen. Schooling: Mrs Sherran Harrap

Deputy Principals

Year 10: Ms Melanie Currie (Acting) Year 11/12: Mrs Belinda Arnold

Guidance Officer Ms Sally Freeman

Pathways Officer
Mrs Dolores Mudiman

Administration Officer

> Mr Nigel Dick Ph: 41545302

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On Thursday 15th February, our School
Leaders were presented with their
Leadership badges at a ceremony held in
our Assembly Hall. It was wonderful to see
our students acknowledged for the role
they will play in leading our school in 2024.
Thank you to those family members who
were able to attend.

Student Representative Council members,
Captains and all members of the Year 12
cohort now have the opportunity to
demontrate their leadership in guiding the
school through a successful year and we
look forward to seeing what they can
achieve.







# Tues 20/2 S4 Wide Bay Health Presentation to students Fri 15/4 CQU Open Day Wed 8/5 Careers & Job Expo



School Photos are scheduled for 28th/29th February. Year 12 students are reminded to wear full FORMAL uniform. This photo will be used as part of their Graduation package.



#### DEFENCE FORCE RECRUITING

Australian Defence Force Recruiting will be holding an information session on 27th February at 1st break in P Block.

Students interested in finding out about a career in the Defence Forces should attend this important session.





#### Student Portal Access

All Year 11 and 12 students should now have registered for the QCAA Student Portal using the instructions provided to them.

The Portal provides students with access to their individual Learning Accounts where they will track their results and QCE eligibility throughout their Senior Studies.

All students must be registered in order to access their Senior Statements at the completion of Year 12.

NOTE: Registration requires a **personal email address.** Because school email addresses cease to exist after graduation, these must not be used in this registration process.

https://myqce.qcaa.qld.edu.au/

## Year 10 Work Experience 8 - 12 July 2024

Thank you to the parents/ guardians who were able to attend our recent Work Experience information session. Work Experience is a fantastic way for our students to learn more about possible career pathways prior to the SET plan and Year 11 subject selection process.

All Year 10 students have been provided with Application forms. Please support your student to explore their options in arranging a work experience placement.

Applications are due back to Nigel in the Senior HUB by Friday 8th March.

Please contact Jo McGrath (jmcgr99@eq.edu.au) or Dolores Mudiman (dmudi0@eeq.edu.au) if you have questions.



In Week 6 of this term, our Year 11 and 12 students will take part in the RACQ Driver IQ Program.

In Session 4 on **Wed 28th Feb** (Year 12s) and in Session 1 on **Thurs 29th Feb** (Year 11s), the RACQ Education team will present an interactive and engaging road safety awareness program utilising a resilience-based approach to empower novice drivers to survive and thrive throughout their driving journey.

Key aspects of each stage of this journey are explored including the required 100 Learner hours, being a passenger and effectively dealing with them as a driver and handling breakdowns and accidents. Students are equipped with tangible, realworld strategies to enable them to maximise the Learner phase in preparation for progression to the Provisional driving phase and thriving beyond this.

We are happy to be able to bring this valuable presentation to our students.



All Senior Students receive a Weekly update from their Year Level Co-ordinator.

These updates provide information about **upcoming events** and a huge range of **pathway opportunities**.

Please make sure they are checking this regularly!

#### **UCAT** Testing

Students interested in tertiary study in medical, dental and clinical science programs in 2025 should book an appointment with GO Sally Freeman to discuss registration for the University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT).

Test bookings open on 5th March.

#### Have you seen your student's Assessment Schedule?

All students have now received their Assessment schedules. For Year 10s this is a Semester One schedule but Year 11 and 12 students have been provided with their Assessment program for the whole year.

#### **Pathway Opportunities**

Is your student interested in employment or training opportunities? Thinking about a school-based apprenticeship or traineeship?

Make sure they are checking their emails!

Recent offers include:

CERT II IN COMMUNITY SERVICES
(WORKING IN CHILDCARE)

CERT II IN AIRCRAFT LINE MAINTENANCE
CERT III IN AVIATION, REMOTE PILOT
(WORKING IN AVIATION)

CERT II IN FOOD PROCESSING
CERT II IN SUPPLY CHAIN OPERATIONS
(WORKING IN MANUFACTURING/ LOGISTICS)

CERT II IN MARITIME OPERATIONS
(WORKING TOWARDS A COXSWAIN QUALIFICATION)



The design for the 2025 Senior Jersey has now been finalised and orders will open shortly.

It is recommended that students **try on sample jerseys** which are **available now** in the Senior HUB to determine the correct size before ordering online.

Payment of \$80 is to be made direct to Struddy's via the online ordering system. A link will be emailed to students once it becomes available. Jerseys will be shipped to BSHS and distributed through the Senior HUB.

Students should keep an eye on their emails for **due**dates to ensure they don't miss out!

#### AUB OFFICE CHANCES

Nigel wiill be enjoying some well deserved Long Service Leave from Friday 1st March. He will be replaced in the Senior HUB by Toni Leisfield.

#### LONG TERM AARAS - YEAR 11 & 12

Students with a disability, impairment, medical condition or other circumstances affecting their ability to respond to or participate in assessment may be eligible for AARA (Access Arrangements and Reasonable Adjustments).

AARA are actions taken to minimise barriers for such students to ensure they are able to participate in assessment on the same basis as other students.

Any student who feels they may be eligible should make an appointment with GO Sally to discuss the process of applying.

These provisions can make a huge difference to students.

Not sure if your student is eligible?
Please ask!



Is your student in need of some career coaching or mentoring? Students in Years 10 - 12 can make an appointment to meet with Mrs Mudiman in D10 for help with such things as:

Resume writing APPLICATIONS

Interview preparation

JOB READINESS

Preparing documentations for employment certification

Work experience

Pathway planning

School-based apprenticeship & traineeships

Email her on dmudi0@eq.edu.au to book in