



HARRISTOWN STATE HIGH

Keeping Hawk Families Engaged

HAWK CHAT



NINETEENTH EDITION

17th June 2015

EVENT CALENDAR

EXAM BLOCK
YEAR 11 & 12
9th June – 19th June

BIOLOGY EXCURSION
Friday 19th June

SENIOR BALL
YRS 10-12
Friday 19th June
6.30-10.30pm
Theme: Great Gatsby

HOUSE ATHLETICS TRIALS
Monday 22nd June

ARSENAL FOOTBALL
CLUB TOUR, SAN DIEGO
Arrives Monday 22nd June

OPEN AFTERNOON
Tuesday 23rd June
3.30pm - 6.00pm
All welcome

QCS PRACTICE TEST
23rd June & 24th June

COMPULSORY MUSICAL
REHEARSAL
Thursday 25th June

INTAD CONFERENCE
Thursday 25th June

COMPULSORY CGEN
REHEARSAL
Friday 26th June

SKI TRIP TO PERISHER
Saturday 4th – 11th July

SCHOOL OPINION SURVEY
(Online)
29th June - 31st July

Open Afternoon

All families new to Harristown are invited to the school's **Open Afternoon** on Tuesday, 23rd June 2015. Join with prospective families in learning more about what the Harristown has to offer your child.

Mr Green will open the afternoon in the Lecture Theatre before ambassadors will tour small groups of families around the school to view displays and working demonstrations.

Families are welcome to ask questions helpful in making the most of your **child's time at Harristown.**

Hawk Talk

Each term the school includes a full page editorial in The Chronicle.

Check out this term's page in The Chronicle on Wednesday 18th June.

End of Semester Reporting

Semester One Reports will be posted home to families on Friday 26th June. It is important to ensure that you have updated your contact details so that these reports arrive at the correct address without delay.

Please call in or collect a pink form from the student counter in the office to update any changes in address, phone numbers or emergency contacts.

School Opinion Survey

The School Opinion Survey is undertaken each year by the Department's **State Schools Division** to obtain the opinions of parents/carers, students and school staff about important aspects of schooling. The survey is designed to help schools identify what they do well and what they can improve.

See individual parents/carers' access details included with Semester One Reports to complete over the holidays.

Hawks Shine at Empire

Hawks shine during a brilliant season of the **Empire Theatre's Mary Poppins**. Congratulations to the many Hawks past and present who were part of this wonderful production. Julia Winning, a current Year 12 student, performed as part of the dance and music ensemble, while past Hawks were involved in the following roles:

Lisa Skerman, playing Winifred Banks
Cassie Midgley, playing Katie Nana
Ben Apsey, ensemble
Chloe Dalamaras, ensemble
Christina Marangelli, orchestra
Ben Hunt, Lighting Team
Matthew Skerman, Lighting Team

Artists Recognised

Congratulations to Sinead Leanne, Nathan Russo and Sarah Hollis who all have had work selected as part of the Future Visions' Exhibition, hanging in the USQ Arts Gallery.

Stymie That! Bullying – No Way!

The word stymie means to stop or thwart. Statistics say that one in four Australian students is bullied at school. At Harristown we want bullying to stop and so do our students. As a bystander, students often feel helpless to do much about bullying. Today students will receive information on how to report bullying anonymously. This website can be a powerful tool in helping others to feel safe. Simply go online and complete the details. The information is then emailed directly to the school of the **student being bullied. Remember: don't play jokes or waste people's time; be responsible and truthful.** Check it out at www.stymie.com.au. If you need to talk to someone you can call Kids Helpline on 1800 55 1800 or go to www.kidshelp.com.au

At the end of the day ... we're all on the same team. It's called humanity!

Principal
Ken Green

Deputy Principals
BALKUIN Craig Forknall
BARANG Leanne Monagle
BONDA Helen Parker
HERWAIN Greg Sellars

Business Manager
Elaine Fickling

Guidance Officer
Judy King

Student Managers
First point of contact for parents/carers

Junior Secondary
(Years 7, 8, 9)

BALKUIN Ian Brackstone
BARANG Angela McMahon
BONDA Tim Reuther
HERWAIN Brodie Love

Senior Secondary
(Years 10, 11, 12)

BALKUIN Mick Floyd
BARANG Sue Burns
BONDA Sally Wark
HERWAIN Karuna Dang

Year Level Coordinators

Yr 7 Liam Holcombe
 Yr 8 Tony Knott
 Yr 9 Daniel Schick
 Yr 10 Jamie Krisanski
 Yr 11 Peter Dayus
 Yr 12 Amy McAleer

P & C SHOP
4636 8714

Monday – Friday
8.15am – 3.15pm

SCHOOL CANTEEN
4636 8710

7.45am – 3.30pm

SCHOOL OFFICE
4636 8700

Monday – Friday
8.30am – 4.00pm

Manual Arts Conference

Highly skilled industrial arts students will sit in on specialist session at the upcoming INTAD Conference for teachers to extend their knowledge.

Certificate II in Tourism

Australian Indigenous Culture is the focus of this particular Certificate II in Tourism with an emphasis on the culture of Wavebreak and South Stradbroke Islands, home of the Balunjali people. Specifically students will learn aspects of:

- Local Indigenous language
- Local bush tucker and its uses
- Local flora and fauna and their relationship to Indigenous people
- Local Indigenous hunting and tracking techniques
- Information about the history of Wavebreak and South Stradbroke Islands

The on-site learning component begins on Friday 19th June with a two day tour of South Stradbroke Island to occur in August.

Limited places are available. Please contact Stacey Trindall, Community Education Counsellor, if interested.

40 Hour Famine

Year 11 representatives on the Student Representative Council (SRC); Adele Olm, Rebecca Hitchins, Sean Lewis and Noah Anderson, participated in the 40 Hour Famine World Vision Conference learning about global poverty and global needs in preparation for the World Vision 40 Hour Famine to be held later in the year. Students hone their leadership understanding when involved in such opportunities.

Arsenal Football Club Tour

Harristown will play host to the Arsenal Football Club from San Diego, USA, next week. These American students will provide some competition for our students with four games planned over 3 days and a training session with Joe Fenech, SWQ Thunder's Technical Director. Thanks to the many Harristown families who are opening their homes and their hearts to these international visitors.

INVITATION

JOIN OUR HOMESTAY FAMILY PROGRAM

We seek English-speaking families to provide a caring, supportive home environment for International Secondary School students.

Host families receive an allowance each fortnight to cover the costs associated with providing meals, accommodation and access to all amenities.

Requirements include:

- A private furnished room
- Access to bathroom and laundry facilities
- All meals
- Internet access
- Access to transport to and from Harristown SHS
- Care and supervision
- Members of the host family 18 years and over are required to obtain or hold a Suitability Notice for working with Children (Bluecard)

For more details please contact Christine Apsey, Homestay Co-ordinator by phone 46368700 or email capse1@eq.edu.au.

