



HARRISTOWN STATE HIGH

Keeping Hawk Families Engaged

HAWK CHAT

THIRTY-SIXTH EDITION

23rd August 2016

EVENT CALENDAR

SENIOR VISUAL ARTS

EXCURSION

Monday 22nd August

YEAR 12 RESTAURANTS

continuing ...

22nd – 24th August

Dining Room in P Block

CERTIFICATE II TOURISM

22nd – 23rd August

South Stradbroke Is.

2017 YEAR 7 GROUP

INTERVIEWS

Wednesday 24th August

Thursday 25th August

by appointment

GEOGRAPHY EXCURSION

YEAR 9s

Thursday 25th August

From Monday 29th August

15 YEARS CHAMPION

BASKETBALL SCHOOL OF

DARLING DOWNS

Friday 26th August

BRIDGE TO BRISBANE

Sunday 28th August

YEAR 10 CAMP

22nd – 23rd August

Maroon Dam

QCS TEST - YEAR 12

30th and 31st August

If sick student will need a medical certificate to remain OP eligible!

SENIOR DEBATE

8th September at 7pm

Lecture Theatre at HSHS

"Gate 38" Drama Production

40 talented Hawks participated in this year's drama production, "Gate 38". The play focussed on four groups of young people who become trapped in an airport terminal when technology fails. Two casts and backstage, sound and lighting crews rehearsed over many weeks to entertain over 200 primary school students, residents of Palm Lake Resort and public audiences over six performances. Congratulations to all students involved and to Mr Tim Reuther, Ms Tegan Krause and their team for another great show this year.

Creative Generation State Schools Onstage

Each year the most talented students from Queensland State Schools come together to stage one of the State's biggest performing arts events – CGEN. More than 1500 students from across Queensland showcase their talent by starring in the professionally produced **show alongside some of Queensland's leading professional artists.** 2016 was **Harristown's 11th** year of involvement in the show. Our students performed in a range of dance items, sang in the choir, played in the massed string orchestra and were members of the Stage Crew. Brittanica Clifford Pugh and Maddy Cybulski successfully auditioned for featured roles in drama and dance respectively – a fantastic achievement!

International Buddies

Students from across year levels who have acted as buddies to our international guests from and Utsunomiya High School are to be congratulated. The regional AJSP Co-ordinator, Jodie Mills Usami, says that Harristown is easily among the top 10 schools in South East Queensland in terms of the quality of the support offered to students from Japan. Harristown students really care about their buddies and spend time with them. Well done to all involved!

Trip to Northern Territory

'Trip of a lifetime', 'Best place I've ever been', 'Do we have to go home?' were just some of the comments made by the very fortunate Year 12 students from **Harristown's Clontarf Academy**, Cameron Moodie writes.

A number of these boys had never experienced a plane flight before. On touching down in Darwin the group visited the world famous Crocydylus **Park, Darwin's Military Museum, the Wave Pool** and the magnificent Mindil Beach Markets to watch the sun set.

Next stop the breath-taking Kakadu National Park. The Indigenous artefacts and stories about the place gave many of the boys goose bumps. It was a very spiritual place. Apart from beautiful waters and the cliffs, the sights included the sunrise, birds, crocs and pigs.

The trip was a massive success with new-found friendships and bonds formed between the staff and the boys. Thanks to the Casuarina, Jabiru and Katherine Clontarf Academies for their hospitality and use of the bus.

Clontarf staff members feel very proud of the boys, with their conduct being the topic of two contacts received by Mr Green from members of the public who were so impressed they took the time to communicate this.

Final Senior Debate Invitation

Why not come along to HSHS Debating Society's third and final senior debate of the season. Topic: *schools should conduct mandatory drugs tests on their students.*

Affirmative Team: Sarah Lindsay, Carly McColl, Britannia Clifford-Pugh, and Jack Halpin. Coach: Melissa Hollman

Negative Team: Jessica Liddelow, Caspian Inskip, Natalie Allison, and Nicholas Hersbach. Coach: Christopher Parker

Principal
Ken Green

Deputy Principals
BALKUIN Craig Forknall
BARANG Leanne Monagle
BONDA Helen Parker
HERWAIN Dale Potter

Business Manager
Elaine Fickling

Guidance Officer
Judy King
David Seng

Student Managers
*First point of contact for
parent/carers*

Junior Secondary 2016
(Years 7, 8, 9)

BALKUIN Ian Brackstone
BARANG Ian Jibson
BONDA Daniel Schick
HERWAIN Stephen Janusaitis

Senior Secondary 2016
(Years 10, 11, 12)

BALKUIN Nick Clarry
BARANG Sue Burns
BONDA Ben McDonald
HERWAIN Karuna Dang

Year Level Coordinators
2016

Yr 7 Lachlan Smith
Yr 8 Valma Cahill
Yr 9 Paula Beare
Yr 10 Jamie Krisanski
Yr 11 Peter Dayus
Yr 12 Ange Clarry

P & C SHOP
4636 8714

Monday – Friday
8.15am – 3.15pm

SCHOOL CANTEEN
4636 8710
7.45am – 3.30pm

SCHOOL OFFICE
4636 8700
from 8.30am – 4.00pm
341-367 South St Harristown
PO Box 156 Drayton North Qld
4350

Year 11 Camp

'Year 11 Camp was a huge success,' says Mr Peter Dayus, and thanks to all campers for your amazing spirit and cooperation. It is such a joy to work with such positive and enthusiastic **people.'**

Sonia, chief instructor at the camp, **says, 'It was a pleasure to have** Harristown here. Your staff and students were exceptional! We love having you here. We hope all had a great time and took away some memorable experiences to apply back at school, in the playground, on the sports field and back in the community. Good luck selecting your leaders from such an amazing group of students who are already great **leaders?'**

Queensland Core Skills (QCS) Test

Year 12s studying an OP course have been working in preparation for the QCS Test on Wednesday afternoons all year. The Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA) conduct this annual test which contributes information for the calculation of Overall Positions (OP). This test assesses a set of generic skills identified in the Queensland senior curriculum. It comprises 4 subtests: 2 x Multiple Choice, Short Answer and Essay (extended response).

IF SICK FOR QCS STUDENTS MUST HAVE A MEDICAL CERTIFICATE TO REMAIN OP ELIGIBLE.

Old Tertiary Admission Centre (QTAC)

QTAC offers are now open. If Year 12 students would like some assistance to clarify thoughts around submitting an application or to make an application, then make an appointment with Mrs Judy King, Guidance Officer, through the office staff at the student counter.

QTAC's institutions will be making offers on different days. For a full list of when each institution is making offers, visit <http://www.qtac.edu.au/key-dates---fees/course-offer-dates>

USQ Scholarships

Early Round USQ Scholarships will close at 5pm on Friday 26th August. These scholarships require a Statement of Support completed by the School Principal, Subject Coordinator or other appropriate referee. See Mrs Judy King, Guidance Officer, for more details.

Chocolate Drive to Friday 9th Oct.

For every box of chocolates sold and money returned to the P&C Shop, \$15 credit will be applied **to the student's** account.

Traineeships & Apprenticeships

School-based Apprenticeships
Sheet Metal Fabrication – Certificate III in Engineering
Certificate III in Commercial Cookery
Forest Products Worker – Certificate III in Saw Doctoring
Certificate III in Hairdressing

School-based Traineeships
Certificate II in Community Pharmacy (must be 16 years of age)
Certificate II in Retail Make Up & Skin Care
Certificate III in Business Administration
Certificate II in Business (Banking) (Year 10 Indigenous only)
Certificate II in Automotive (Year 10 Indigenous only)
Certificate III in Business (Retail)
Certificate III in Business Hospitality - Certificate III in Hospitality (Front of House)
Certificate III in Dental Assistant

See Jeanine in D11 for more details.

Year 8 Camp

Year 8s interested in going on camp need to submit permission forms to Staffroom L004. 2 days of abseiling, raft building, rock climbing and more.

Youth Support Coordinator

We welcome Mr Paul Finch to the team.

Community News

Western Districts Junior Cricket Club are looking for junior players. They will have a muster early in September. So keep a look out!