



HARRISTOWN STATE HIGH

Keeping Hawk Families Engaged



TWENTY-SECOND EDITION
24th August 2015

EVENT CALENDAR

YEAR 11 LEADERSHIP CAMP
24th-26th August

YEAR 10 CAMP
24th – 28th August

BOOK WEEK
22nd -28th August

BRIDGE TO BRISBANE
Sunday 30th August
Gateway Bridge to EKKa

YEAR 9 GEOGRAPHY PARKS EXCURSIONS
24th – 28th August
Venues: Goggs St, Laurel Bank, West Creek Reserve

YEAR 12 QCS TEST
Tuesday & Wednesday
1st & 2nd September

SPL Vs CHANCELLOR COLLEGE
Friday 4th September

YEAR 10 into YEAR 11 SUBJECT SELECTION EVENING
Monday 11th September
5.30pm – 7.30pm

USA FOOTBALL TOUR TO CALIFORNIA
17th Sept– 4th Oct

ARTS DAY
Friday 18th September

CARNIVAL OF FLOWERS MARCH
Saturday 19th September

Self-discipline

School Captain, Matthew Bailey defined self-discipline as part of his address to the school assembly last week. He urged students to plant the tree of self-discipline in their life today.

The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The second best time is now. Chinese Proverb

QTAC

Applications for university or other tertiary study are generally made via the Qld Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) website: www.qtac.edu.au.

Year 12s have all received a QTAC book containing very comprehensive information on: programs of study; universities and other educational providers; entry requirements; accommodation options and contacts; and specific important dates related to applications and offers.

The QTAC lines for applications commencing semester 1, 2016 are **CURRENTLY OPEN** and will incur a fee of \$36. **On time applications close at the end of September.**

Students need to check very carefully the details of any program for which they are applying, especially for any additional requirements or differing application dates. Variations apply particularly to some creative/performing programs and some health related programs.

Please contact Guidance Officer, Judy King, for questions or clarifications.

Relay for Life

Congratulations to all who participated, donating \$2970 to the Cancer Council.

Queensland Core Skills Test (QCS)

This test, for all students wishing to be awarded an OP, will be held throughout Queensland on September 1 and 2. Attendance for the 2 days is essential and the school must be notified regarding any absence. Students should relax and have a good night's sleep in preparation.

USQ Scholarships

Year 12 students interested in applying for USQ early round scholarships see Judy King, Guidance Officer. Scholarship applications must be received at the USQ Scholarships Office by 5pm on Friday, 28th August.

University Accommodation

Students going away to study need to carefully consider their accommodation options NOW. Some universities have their own on-site accommodation and there are many other university student-friendly options. Applications to university colleges will generally involve an interview and an application deposit. Information can be found in the QTAC book or online. Contact Judy King for further information.

NSSCF Laptop Warranty Expires

The ACER warranty on laptops expires on 31st August 2015. If you have a laptop that has a crack forming between the power button and the edge of the case, please bring it in to the techs in the library so that it can be repaired for free by ACER. This is an identified warranty issue. **Don't delay!**

Book Week Competition

Book Week Competition with the theme, **"Books light up our world"** is open to all Year 7 & 8 students. Entries are available at the library. All correct entries will be placed into a random draw at 2nd break on Friday 28th August. Non-fiction and fiction prizes will be presented for 1st through to 4th place winners. Did you know that Book Week was in its 70th year?

Principal
Ken Green

Deputy Principals
BALKUIN Craig Forknall
BARANG Leanne Monagle
BONDA Dale Potter (Acting)
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 Col Peake
HERWAIN Karuna Dang

Year Level Coordinators

Yr 7 Chris Parker
 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
from 8.30am – 4.00pm

341-367 South St Harristown
PO Box 156 Drayton North
Qld 4350

2nd in Toowoomba Eisteddfod

Congratulations to Courtney Taylor for her enterprise in getting a group of students together to take out 2nd place in the Karl Orff section.

This talented group presented their **beautiful rendition of 'Hey Soul Sister' to last week's assembly. Well done!**

Queensland Multicultural Award Finalist

Harristown SHS was a finalist in the Queensland Multicultural Awards category of Education and Training Innovation. Other Toowoomba finalists were William Conwell from USQ for the category of Multicultural Ambassador, and Daphane Fung for the category of Outstanding Volunteer.

Ms Felicity Radcliffe attended the Awards Gala Dinner in Brisbane. Congratulations to our English as an Alternate Language or Dialect (EAL/D) Team for their outstanding and ongoing work in this area.

Alternate Program During Year 10 & 11 Camps

Students not attending camp are expected to attend school. Teachers have been asked not to begin new work during these camp periods. This can be a good time for students to catch up or to consolidate their understanding of content.

Chocolate Drive

Chocolate Drive runs until Friday, 9th October. There is still plenty of time to participate. Every box of chocolates sold and money returned entitles the student to a \$15 credit on his/her school account. These credits may be used for expenses such as Student Resource Scheme fees, excursions, camps, or formal. There are some great prizes for students selling the most boxes:

- 1st prize – 5kg box of favourites
- 2nd prize – 4.5kg toblerone
- 3rd prize – 2 x movie tickets
- 4th prize – 2 x movie tickets
- 5th prize – sports bag
- 6th prize – sports bag

School-based Apprenticeships & Traineeships

The following school-based apprenticeships are available:

Commercial Cookery
Hairdressing

Students interested in these school-based apprenticeships are asked to send a resume and cover letter to the following email address:

sats@harristownshs.eq.edu.au

See Jeanine Briese in D11 for further information.

Introducing Our New VET Officer

We welcome Jeanine Briese to the position of Industry Placement Officer, replacing Mark White who has moved on to a similar job working with adults.

The Great Australian Rock Musical

Students and staff involved were awesome!

Earn & Learn Stickers

Keep bringing in your Earn and Learn Stickers from Woolworths. Remember to write your form class on the sticker sheet so that your form class can choose some of the resources that the school is able to purchase when these stickers are redeemed.

Running totals to date:

BALKUIN - 26 sheets returned
 G03 has returned the greatest number
 BARANG - 12 sheets returned
 B15 has returned the greatest number
 BALKUIN – 9 sheets returned
 R03 has returned the greatest number
 DHERWAIN – 0 sheets returned

