



HARRISTOWN STATE HIGH

Keeping Hawk Families Engaged

HAWK CHAT



ELEVENTH EDITION
25th July 2014

EVENT CALENDAR

NAIDOC WEEK
28th July – 1st August

CAREERS' MARKET

Monday 28th July
Clive Berghofer Rec Centre

OPEN AFTERNOON

Tuesday 29th July
3.30pm – 6.00pm
All welcome

ICAS ENGLISH COMPETITION

Tuesday 29th July

SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Thursday 31st July from 1pm
1st August all day

REMEMBER - go directly to assembly points for roll marking.

House Themes:

Balkuin - Tribal
Barang - Vikings
Bonda – Xmas in July
Dherwain – Despicable Me

BILL TURNER CUP STATE FINALS

5th and 6th August

AUSTRALIAN MATHS COMPETITION 7th August

Open Afternoon at Harristown High

Parents and their children are invited to come and see us as we are on Open Afternoon on Tuesday, 29th July from 3.30 to 6.00pm. Working classrooms, interactive displays, an open play rehearsal, student performances, information segments and a fashion parade of the many uniforms worn at Harristown will inform, entertain and delight.

Becoming familiar with the high school setting is also an important part of helping primary children to feel comfortable with the transition from primary to high school.

NAIDOC Serving Country: Centenary & Beyond

This year NAIDOC honours all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men and women who have fought in defence of country. We celebrate and honour their priceless contribution to our nation.

NAIDOC Week celebrates the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Activities in celebration will include:

MONDAY

- Flag Raising Ceremony from 10.15am
- Welcome to Country by Uncle Darby
- Unveiling House totems
- Entertainment provided by Wilsonton State School Dance Troupe
- Elders and stall holders share information and stories with students throughout breaks
- BBQ of cultural meats from 11.20am (Thank you to PACE for providing this.)

TUESDAY

- Lunchtime art activities in the art space

WEDNESDAY

- Special extended Assembly
- Guest speakers, dancing, singing
- Cake Cutting

THURSDAY

- High school students share culture and stories with primary school students

New and prospective families ... would love to see you at Open Afternoon!



Reader's Cup

2014 Reader's Cup team competed against 9 other teams in the Darling Downs Regional Readers' Cup Competition held at Fairholme College. The Year 8 & 9 students had to answer tough and obscure questions relating to five different novels. After a rocky start, the students romped home to win the fifth round. Overall they placed fourth, performing admirably against elite competition.

Certificates were presented to:

- Daniel Corbett
- Jye Bonell
- Jasmine Weaver
- Xander Clifford-Pugh
- Madeline Holborn

Remember to nominate early in 2015 if you are an avid reader.

Hawks Read

Toowoomba City Library

story time



Tuesdays and Thursdays - 11am

Wednesday evenings - 6.30pm

No bookings required.

just come along and enjoy the fun



Check out those House totems! The multi-arts class with Ms Connor have done an awesome job!

Principal
Ken Green

Deputy Principals
BALKUIN Craig Forknall
BARANG Leanne Monagle
BONDA Helen Parker
DHERWAIN 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 Lauren Phoenix
BONDA Tim Reuther
DHERWAIN Hannah Dalton-Strong

Senior Secondary
(Years 10, 11, 12)

BALKUIN Mick Floyd
BARANG Sue Burns
BONDA Col Peake
DHERWAIN Karuna Dang

Year Level Coordinators

Yr 7 Liam Holcombe
 Yr 8 Mark Burchardt
 Yr 9 Daniel Schick
 Yr 10 Simon Rogers
 Yr 11 Peter Dayus
 Yr 12 Amy McAleer

P & C SHOP
4636 8714

Monday – Friday
8.15am – 3.15pm

SCHOOL CANTEEN
4636 8710

SCHOOL OFFICE
4636 8700

Monday – Friday
8.30am – 4.00pm

Code of Conduct for School Students Travelling on Buses

To keep other passengers and bus drivers safe and comfortable, all school students are required to comply with this Code. The Code sets out the expected behaviour of students while travelling on the bus and the consequences for breaching the code.

A student's role is to be a safe and responsible passenger, acting safely and responsibly.

A consequence to misbehaviour will be the submission of a report and may involve refusal of bus travel for a period of time.

School Opinion Surveys

For the first time the Education Department is inviting all parents/carers to participate in the School Opinion Survey online. The eldest child in each family received a copy of the survey information in form class on Thursday 24th July. The online survey closes next Friday, 1st August.

The school will provide parents/ carers access to computers between 3.00pm and 4.00pm on Wednesday 30th July. Bookings essential.

Workshops for Year 6 & 7 Students

Recently Year 6 & 7 students from Newtown, Darling Heights, Harristown and Bunker's Hill Cluster Primary Schools participated in an extension program to experience what the subjects of Dance, Woodwork and Graphics might offer them as high school students in 2015.

Grin & Tonic Theatre Troupe

This week Year 12 English students studying OP English, together with Year 11 Academic Academy students, enjoyed a drama performance, enhancing their understanding and experience of live theatre. This theatre troupe is well respected for its high standard of work in the education system and has been servicing the state of Queensland for more than 40 years.

Apprenticeships & Traineeships

Apprenticeships available in:
 Light Vehicle Mechanical with Len Patti
 Bread Baking/Pastry Cook with Golden West (GWES)
 Chef with Settlers Inn
 Chef with Woggies Restaurant

Traineeships available in:
 Banking for Indigenous student with National Australia Bank (NAB)
 Exercise Instructor through GWES
 Business with City Beach, Grand Central
 Disability Services with Endeavour
 Floristry with **Bloomin' Gorgeous**
 Property Services with Withcott Real Estate
 Hospitality with My Perfect Cuppa
 Hospitality with Subway
 Hospitality with Shingle Inn
 Hospitality with Jamica Blue, The Ridge
 Hospitality with Sunshine Kebabs
 Hospitality with Muffin Break
 Business with Withcott Newsagency
 Business with Tender Centre

See Trish in D11 if interested.

Darling Downs Cross Country

Did you hear about Isingoma? What a legend ... ran around the track 3 times not twice and still beat everyone. He is off to compete in Western Australia. Go Issy!

Community Hirer News

The following community group hires facilities at Harristown State High School:

Toowoomba Runnin'
 Rebels(Basketball)
 meet Mondays 4.30 pm – 6.30 pm and Saturday 9.00 am – 11.00 pm
 Contact Pop 0417 196 151 or Penny 0430 230 686

Community News

NEW STUDY!

RAISING TEENS IN THE TECHNOLOGY GENERATION

ARE YOU THE PARENT OF AN 11-18 YEAR OLD?
 Help us understand the effect of technology on families!
 Take our anonymous 30-minute survey.

All participating parents and teenagers will be eligible to enter a \$500 Cash/Myer gift card!

You will answer questions about technology, your teenager's behaviour, their relationship with you and your parenting. You can also ask your teenager to take part in a similar anonymous survey.

The research is completely voluntary and confidential.

To complete the survey, go to:
<https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/parentteensurvey/>

For more information, contact the research team on parentingteens@uq.edu.au.