



HARRISTOWN STATE HIGH

Keeping Hawk Families Engaged



FORTY-SIXTH EDITION

28th APRIL 2017

EVENT CALENDAR

Gold & Silver Commendation Ceremony

Thursday 4th May

Year 7 Geography Excursions

1st – 5th May

NAPLAN Years 7 & 9

Tuesday 9th May

Wednesday 10th May

Thursday 11th May

Junior School Disco

Friday 12th May

Year 7 Immunisation

Monday 15th May

Year 11 Clontarf Camp

15th – 16th May

Year 10 Semester 2 Subject Selection Evening

Tuesday 16th May

Year 10 Geography Excursion

16th – 17th May

Certificate I in Financial Services

18th – 19th May

Schools Premier League

Harristown V Marsden SHS

Friday 19th May

Library & Information Week

22nd – 26th May

Certificate II in Tourism

Balunjali Camp

23rd – 24th May

Parent Space

Parent Space is a free program that has been designed to help parents connect with their adolescent children.

Topics include Self-Injury, Resilience building, Alcohol & Other Drugs, Child and Youth Mental Health Services Processes, Safe Talk, DISCO and Youth Justice.

You can attend just one or all of the sessions free of charge. All sessions are held at 1 Snell Street Toowoomba. If you would like more information on how to register or what the sessions entail head to our Facebook page, Website or you can contact Headspace directly.

Year 10 FREE Immunisations

The Queensland State Government recently announced a Meningococcal ACWY Vaccination Program for Queensland.

The program will be offered to all Year 10 students through the Queensland School Immunisation Program. Free vaccine will also be made available to young people aged 15 to 19 years through their doctor or immunisation provider.

This week year 10 students will be given a letter outlining how to access the free vaccination.

Cross Country

Well done to all participants in our Interhouse Cross Country. The top six finishers in all of the age groups are selected to compete in the Darling Downs Cross Country Championships, also to be held at Kearney's Spring on the 23rd May. The 12 years students who have nominated will also compete on this day. All of these athletes need to confirm their participation with Mr Burchardt immediately.

2017 Ambassadors

Over 50 students were invited to participate in a School Ambassador training day on Friday 21st April. From Week 2, these students will begin travelling to local primary schools to invite Year 6 students to become a Hawk in 2018 and will play an important role in our Open Afternoon and other events during Term 3. These Ambassadors were selected through nomination and application processes and includes students in Years 7, 9 and 11. The selection of School Ambassador is based on meeting strict criteria around attendance, effort and behaviour and as such these students will make wonderful representatives of our school. Congratulations to those students for this fantastic achievement!

Volleyball

Harristown will play host to the Queensland School Sport 15 Years and Under Volleyball Championships on the 4th – 7th May. As such, the Blue and Yellow Gyms will be unavailable and there will be numerous visitors to our school. We are looking forward to a great state titles. Good luck to all Harristown students competing for Darling Downs as well as to Miss English and Miss Hollman who will be coaching teams and Mr Lau and Mr Krisanski who are convening the tournament.

This week we welcome back Jack, Jake and Bevan who return from Thailand after representing Australia in Volleyball and also send our best wishes to Sophie and Lucy who have just departed for their tour of Thailand. Both groups played, or will play, in the U21 Thai National Championships.

Principal

Ken Green

Deputy Principals

BALKUIN Craig Forknall
BARANG Leanne Monagle
BONDA Ian Brackstone
HERWAIN Dale Potter

Business Manager

Elaine Fickling

Guidance Officer

Judy King
 Sue-Ellen Taylor

Student Managers

*First point of contact for
 parents/carers*

**Junior Secondary 2017
(Years 7, 8, 9)**

BALKUIN Melissa Hollman
BARANG Ian Jibson
BONDA Daniel Schick
HERWAIN Stephen Janusaitis

**Senior Secondary 2017
(Years 10, 11, 12)**

BALKUIN Nick Clarry
BARANG Sue Burns
BONDA Ben McDonald
HERWAIN Gavin Priest

**Year Level Coordinators
2017**

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

Interact Update

HSHS Interact Club has been busy for the start of 2017 kicking off with a fundraiser for local charity called the Drought Angels who are based in Chinchilla and do great work supporting drought stricken farmers. It was only fitting to show our love for our local community by selling roses for Valentine's day. There was amazing support from our school and the interact club managed to sell more than 550 roses and raised \$1000 dollars for the Drought Angels.

Not to lose any momentum, the Interact Club held their next fundraiser for the Leukaemia Foundation's Shave for a Cure. Students showed their support by getting their hair coloured for \$1 at the G block courtyard and under E block. Other students found more painful ways to raise money by selling strips of wax for their legs. Much admiration needs to go to Regan Hohn, Kurtis Griffey, Kiel Brennan, Mr Krisanski, Mr Martin, and Mr Lau for being brave and letting other students shave their hair for a donation. In total \$800 was raised for the Leukaemia Foundation.

Apprenticeships & Traineeships**School-based Apprenticeships**

Certificate III In Stonemasonry
 Certificate III in Glass and Glazing

School-based Traineeships

Certificate III in Hospitality
 (Front of House - Food and Customer Service)
 Certificate III in Business
 (Retail)

Multiple positions are available in most instances.

Casual Employment

McDonald's Family Restaurants
 Sunpine Furniture, Drayton
 PBS Speciality Coatings

Full-time Positions

Data and Voice Communications
 Apprenticeship
 (electrical and internet cabling)

See Jeanine Briese or Ms Matheson in D11 for more details. Bring your resume or email your resume to sats@harristownshs.eq.edu.au

Dangerous content in 13 Reasons Why

Many of you may have heard about the series "13 Reasons Why" which is currently streaming on Netflix. Headspace has recently issued a warning following growing concerns raised by schools, parents and young people across Australia, about some of the content featured in this series. The disturbing story explores a troubled teen's motivations for taking her own life and opens after this fatal event. The fact that this young girl blames others for her suicide is problematic. The series further deals with many mature issues including rape, underage drinking and drug taking and does not present a positive image of support services which are available for young teens. While this challenging story could help parents to start conversations with their children about issues such as bullying, isolation, and depression, the way the series addresses these issues is complex and may be confusing for impressionable viewers.

If you are aware of young people who have concerns around their own mental health or distress, or who have suicidal thoughts or feelings, please refer them to a doctor/psychologist or to Headspace Toowoomba, 1 Snell Street, Phone: 4639 9000. In an emergency always call 000.

Judy King
 Guidance Officer

Free Dental

QLD HEALTH is offering free dental treatment to students Year 7-10.

Registration forms available from the office, to be returned by 12 May.

Sports Academy Students

A reminder to all students involved in any sport at Harristown to pay relevant fees and costs as soon as possible.

