EVENT CALENDAR

SWIMMING CARNIVAL
Friday 6th February
Milne Bay Pool

JUNIOR SECONDARY PARENT FEEDBACK EVENING
Monday 9th February
7pm – 8pm
Lecture Theatre

PHOTO DAY
Thursday 12th February
Formal Uniforms required

USQ INDIGENOUS CONNECTIONS
Thursday 19th February
Year 7-12
First come, first served
Meals provided

HAWK ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER ADVISORY TABLE
Thursday 26th February
10.30am – 12.00 noon
Morning tea provided
Staff Common Room
Parent/carers all welcome

GOLD & SILVER LEADERS’ RETREAT
Friday 27th February

CLONTARF FOUNDATION INFORMATION SESSION
Thursday 5th March
10am – 11am
Y Block

YEAR 7 CAMP
Friday 20th March
Pay deposits now $50
At P&C Shop

School Student Leaders

Congratulations to the following students who were successful in achieving leadership positions:

SILVER LEADERS

BALKUIN
Emmie Baker, House Captain
Tom Crimean, House Captain
Jayde Austin, House Vice-Captain
Shaun Alexander, House Vice-Captain

BARANG
Sarah Glass, House Captain
Samuel Kleidon, House Captain
Tayla Gray, House Vice-Captain
Jordyn Kuhn, House Vice-Captain

BONDA
Bridget Naumann, House Captain
Zayden Pidgeon, House Captain
Alissa Reinke, House Vice-Captain
Alex Ryan, House Vice-Captain

DHERWAIN
Emily Wright, House Captain
Gerome Burns, House Captain
Keely Beutel, House Vice-Captain
Payman Tarar, House Vice-Captain

JUNIOR SECONDARY LEADERS

Girls
Kira Thompson  Mackenzie Stuart
Maddison Burns  Hsarshee Htoo

Boys
Benjamin McNalty  Lochie Tolputt
Jack Halpin  Callum Ward

Student Representative Council (SRC)

Nominations for SRC close on Friday 6th February. If you would like to represent your year level, see your Year Level Coordinator before Friday to register your name.

Changing Subjects

If you need to change a subject, you must do it within the first 2 weeks of school. The reason for this is to ensure that students engage with subjects for the longest time possible. How can you achieve well if you miss too much?

What happens on Wednesdays for Year 12s?

All Year 12 students are expected at school for the full day on Wednesdays.

In periods 7 and 8 OP students will be involved in a Queensland Core Skills Test (QCS) Preparation Course with Ms Bidgood and her team. Non-OP students will be involved in a Hawk Development Program with Mrs McAleer and her team. This development program will focus on achieving the Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) and setting goals to ensure the best results possible for 2015.

A letter was sent home with the Year 12s noting important dates related to QCS preparation, like 22nd April being an all day workshop with the Mighty Minds Team.

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. This website allows student 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. 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
**Indigenous News**

Did you know that at Harristown we currently have the following numbers of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students enrolled?

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Students represent a broad cross-section of Indigenous tribes including: Kamilaroi, Manadandanji, Bidjara, Kooma, WakaWaka and Bigambul to name a few.

Our Indigenous families meet regularly over the course of the year at our Hawk A&I Advisory Table to discuss issues they consider important and to make recommendations to the Principal.

Harristown Indigenous staff include:

- Stacey Trindall: CEC
- Jeff Chesters: Teacher Aide
- Jackie Patterson: Teacher Aide
- Jamara Burns: Teacher Aide
- Christine Mailman: Teacher Aide
- Elizabeth Connor: Teacher

Tony Knott works with Helen Parker to manage the Indigenous Education portfolio at Harristown.

**Swimming Carnival Information**

Get with the spirit on Friday and dress in your house colours and themes:

- Balkuin Green: Fairytale Creatures
- Barang Blue: Super Heroes
- Bonda Red: 80's Sport Stars
- Dherwain Yellow: Hawaiian

At 8.50am students are to meet in their house groups in the following areas to have rolls marked and wrist bands collected:

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Don't forget that every student participating earns house points.

The **house swim** is a great chance to get involved. Each house is allocated 5 minutes to get as many staff and students as possible down the 25m course to earn house points:

- 1 point for a student
- 10 points for a teacher
- 20 points for a Year Co-ordinator
- 20 points for a Student Manager
- 30 points for a Head of Department
- 50 points for a Deputy Principal

Remember:
- No crepe paper
- No body paint
- No denim or cotton

Remember to:
- Wear a hat
- Drink plenty of water
- Slap sunscreen on often
- Wear correct, modest swimming attire to participate

**Community News**

South Toowoomba Hawks Soccer Club is looking for enthusiastic, soccer-mad boys & girls of all ages for 2015 Season.

Our club Sign On Day will be held on the 7th & 14th Feb 10am-12pm at Harristown Park.

For more information go to [www.southtoowoombahawks.com.au](http://www.southtoowoombahawks.com.au)