



HARRISTOWN STATE HIGH

Keeping Hawk Families Engaged

HAWK CHAT



THIRTY-EIGHTH EDITION

4th October 2016

EVENT CALENDAR

P&C MEETING

Tuesday, 4th October
7:15pm for 7:30pm

BRIBIE ISLAND FISHING COMPETITION (SEP)

10th – 13th October

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Tuesday, 11th October
Auditorium
Book Online

2017 YEAR 7 GROUP INTERVIEWS

Wednesday & Thursday
by appointment

CANTEEN RED DAY

Thursday 13th October

CERT I FINANCIAL SERVICES (Year 11&12)

13th – 14th October

PUPIL FREE DAY

Monday 17th October

CLONTARF ACADEMY CAMP YEARS 7 8 9

18th – 20th October

SPL GRAND FINAL

Wednesday 19th October
Brisbane

JUNIOR SOCIAL

Friday 21st October
Theme: Masquerade
HSHS Auditorium

PRESENTATION NIGHT

Tuesday, 25th October
Empire Theatre

Parent/Teacher Interviews

'Satisfactory just doesn't cut it!' in the words of our Principal, Mr Ken Green. This was said in the context of students **needing to aim for 'Bs or better' in terms of effort, behaviour and achievement.** With mid-semester report cards issued prior to the holidays, Form Teachers will continue to assist students to use their student planners to reflect on their work in Term Three and consider learning targets for Term Four as part of our Healthy Hawks program.

All parents/carers are asked to attend a parent-teacher interview, particularly where students are not achieving Bs or better. We want all students to be achieving their best so that they are laying solid foundations for their futures.

Parent/Teacher Interviews will be held on Tuesday, 11th October 2016 from 3.30pm – 6.00pm in the Auditorium. Details of how to use the School Online Booking System (SOBS) were sent home in the envelope with reports. Once on the system parents will be able to see all teachers available. A note at the bottom of this section also indicates which teachers are unavailable on leave. Mrs Pauline Peters is also available for **parents wishing to check their student's progress towards QCE attainment.**

Many parents have already booked interviews with teachers. The online booking system will close at 4.00pm on Monday 10th October 2016. Alternatively, bookings can be made by contacting the School Office between 8.00am and 4.00pm on school days.

Teachers at Harristown State High School share the responsibility for the education of your student with you. Consequently, the Principal, Ken Green, urges you to take advantage of this opportunity to discuss your student's progress with his/her teachers.

Arts Day

Congratulations to all involved. What a fabulous way to finish the term! Thank you to all who participated, attended and helped in the organisation of this annual event. Well done to BONDA House who won very convincingly.

Homework Centre

All students, who would like assistance with homework or assignments, are welcome to complete a permission slip, available from the office.

This enables you to participate in Homework Centre whenever you feel the need. A range of teachers volunteer to be rostered on to assist on Tuesday or Thursday afternoons from 3.15-4.15pm in the school library. Computers are also available for student use.

Year 12 students are very welcome to concentrate on the final push to get best results.

Don't forget to bring your work and a snack to get you through the afternoon energy slump.

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 students 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. **Remember: don't play jokes or waste people's time; be 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.

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

Traineeships & Apprenticeships

School-based Apprenticeships
Certificate III in Engineering (Sheet
Metal Fabrication)
Certificate III in Commercial Cookery
Certificate III in Forest Equipment (Saw
Doctoring)
Certificate III in Hairdressing

School-based Traineeships
Certificate II in Community Pharmacy
(must be 16 years of age)
Certificate III in Hospitality
Certificate III in Hospitality Operations
(Front of House)
Certificate III in Business
Administration
Certificate III in Business (Retail)
Certificate III in Business

Casual Employment
K-Mart Plaza
Outpost Café, Drayton Shopping
Centre

Full-time Positions
Apprenticeship in Cabinet Making
Apprenticeship in Engineering (Sheet
Metal)
Apprenticeship in Plumbing
Apprenticeship in Electrical
Traineeship in Business Administration
Traineeship in Agriculture

See Jeanine in D11 for more details.

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](http://www.qtac.edu.au/key-dates---fees/course-offer-dates)

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.

Peaceful Parenting Workshops

Are you finding the job of parenting
more difficult, especially with
teenagers?

Would you like to find some ways to
create a more peaceful home?

**Then... come along and join other
parents as we learn:**

- how to teach children to meet their
own needs in a responsible way
- how to create a more peaceful
home while teaching self-discipline
- how to balance needs for freedom
and safety
- how to improve your family, your
relationships and your world by
understanding whose behaviour
you can control
- how to navigate through the life-
long job of parenting by
understanding developmental
issues.

Unlike other programs this program
does not provide a simple list of
recipes to use in every situation but
rather aims to teach ideas and skills
that parents can apply in lots of
situations to improve relationships
and help resolve conflicts.

Date: Thursdays, 20th Oct – 24th Nov

Time: 1:15-2:45pm

Length: 6 weeks x 1.5 hours

Venue: Staff Common Room

Cost: Free to parents/carers of
Harristown SHS students

If you wish to register for the program
get in early as registrations will close
on Friday 14th October.

For more information, please contact
the facilitator, Harristown State High
School's Behaviour Coach:

John Archibald on 0409 396 139
or via email at jarch1@eq.edu.au