



# HARRISTOWN STATE HIGH

Keeping Hawk Families Engaged

# HAWK CHAT

EIGHTEENTH EDITION

5<sup>th</sup> June 2015

## EVENT CALENDAR

### SCHOOLS' PREMIER

LEAGUE Vs John Paul

College

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June

### INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

PROGRAM SOCIAL

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June

### QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June

### EXAM BLOCK YEAR 11&12

9<sup>th</sup> June – 19<sup>th</sup> June

### JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE

HARRISTOWN Vs DALBY

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June

### QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June

### ARTS PRODUCTION FULL

DAY REHEARSAL

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June

### SENIOR BALL YRS 10-12

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June

6.30-10.30pm

Theme: Great Gatsby

### HOUSE ATHLETICS TRIALS

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June

### OPEN AFTERNOON

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

3.30pm - 6.00pm

### QCS PRACTICE TEST

23<sup>rd</sup> June & 24<sup>th</sup> June

### SKI TRIP TO PERISHER

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> July

### Exam Block Responsibilities

All the best to students for their end of semester exams and assignments! **Remember 'satisfactory just doesn't cut it'. Do your very best every time, aiming for Bs or better!**

Year 11 and 12 students are responsible to be at school for all their timetabled exams. Some practical subjects have been included in the schedule to enable students to be supervised whilst continuing to work on projects.

If a student misses an exam a medical certificate is required. This is a ruling from the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority.

Rolls are taken at each exam. If students are planning to be on site outside their scheduled sessions then they will need to sign in and out at the student counter in the office or in the library. This is a workplace health and safety requirement.

### Study Smart

Study Solutions appointments are available for all your study needs. See the Library Help Desk for individual appointments.

Study Skills:

- Work in short bursts of study (20-40minutes at a time)
- Learn actively by rewriting notes, drawing concept maps and thinking critically
- Turn off mobile phone and distractions when studying

For more information visit:  
STUDY in Library Online  
[www.harristownshs.eq.edu.au](http://www.harristownshs.eq.edu.au)  
Follow QuickLinks to Library Online

### Homework Centre

All students, who would like assistance with homework or assignments, are welcome to complete a permission slip, available at the student counter. 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. **Don't forget to bring your work and a snack to get you through the afternoon energy slump.**

### Relay for Life

Congratulations to the 72 students who **participated in this event in Queen's Park** this year and to all the staff who supported students, particularly to co-ordinator, Ms Sally Wark.

### Debating

Congratulations Senior Harristown 2 Debating Team who won their final debate of the season. Great work Caspian, Scott and Jess!

### Chocolate Drive

The Chocolate Drive is on again. Participate to raise money for your school account. Forms went home this week. Year 7&8 students must have a signed permission form returned to participate. All other year levels are able to sign for their own chocolates. More details on the school website.

### Stymie That! Bullying – No Way!

The Stymie website has been advertised in the Hawk Chats to date. On Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March, students in each year level were given a training session on how to use Stymie effectively.

**'Just because you don't know them, doesn't mean you can't help them'.** **Don't know what this message means?** If you have never used Stymie, then this is the day you will find out how to use it to stamp out bullying.

Principal  
Ken Green

Deputy Principals  
*BALKUIN* Craig Forknall  
*BARANG* Leanne Monagle  
*BONDA* Helen Parker  
*DERWAIN* 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  
*DERWAIN* Brodie Love

Senior Secondary  
(Years 10, 11, 12)

*BALKUIN* Mick Floyd  
*BARANG* Sue Burns  
*BONDA* Sally Wark  
*DERWAIN* Karuna Dang

Year Level Coordinators

Yr 7 Liam Holcombe  
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

Monday – Friday  
8.30am – 4.00pm

## USI: Unique Student Identifier

It is free! From 2015, students will now need to have a valid USI before a training organisation can issue a qualification or statement of attainment. Your USI will be used to store your records and results (transcript) and you will be able to continue using your USI even after you have finished school.

By having a USI, you will be able to access your training records and results (or transcript) whenever you need them.

If you are studying any of these nationally recognised accredited (certificate) courses at HSHS, then, you **MUST** have a USI.

You may also be doing certificate courses at HSHS through other Registered Training Organisations eg: Certificate III in Early Education and Care (Year 12 only), Fitness, Certificate II in Logistics (GenR8 program), a SAT (School-based Apprenticeship or Traineeship) or doing First Aid. You, too, will need a USI for these courses and you will need to give your USI to these RTOs.

*How do I get a USI? Do it today!*

1. Go to the USI website:  
[www.usi.gov.au](http://www.usi.gov.au)
2. Get at least one acceptable form of ID ready: **Driver's Licence, Medicare Card, Australian Passport, Visa (with Non-Australian Passport)** for international students, Full Birth Certificate (Australian) not an extract, Certificate of Registration by Descent, Citizenship Certificate, or ImmiCard
- Note: The details you enter **MUST** match the details shown on the form of ID.
3. **Click on "Create your USI"**
4. Agree to Terms and Conditions
5. Fill in your details
6. Enter the requested details as shown on your form of ID (See list, above)
7. Set your USI account password and questions for security
8. Your USI will be displayed on screen
9. Write down your USI somewhere safe perhaps enter it into your phone
10. Your USI will also be sent to you by either your email, phone or by mailing address (whichever you choose as your preferred contact method when creating your USI)
11. Be sure to bring your USI with you, each time you enrol in a VET Course.



## HOST FAMILIES URGENTLY REQUIRED for JAPANESE STUDENTS

Harristown SHS

**1. ACOSTA FEV 12-17 year olds**  
**ARRIVAL DATE: 22<sup>nd</sup> Jul (WED)**  
**DEPARTURE DATE: 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug (SUN)**

**2. UTSUNOMIYA JR COLLEGE HS**  
**14-17 year olds**  
**ARRIVAL DATE: 12<sup>th</sup> Aug (WED)**  
**DEPARTURE DATE: 19<sup>th</sup> Aug (WED)**

### HOST FAMILY REQUIREMENTS:

- No other Japanese person staying with the family
- Provide 3 meals per day
- Own bed, but can share a room with a host child
- Over 18's hold a Blue Card or willing to apply through us
- Safe travel to & from school

Families with children in ANY GRADES are welcome to host

### Single Placement Remuneration

ACOSTA FEV Group: \$375.00  
UTSUNOMIYA Jr College HS: \$240.00

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