

# ASQUITH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER BACKCHAT

**AUGUST 2018** 

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Year 10 at the War Memorial in Canberra on their way to the snow.





# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Mr Bryce Grant

Another busy term with numerous activities in recent weeks including the distribution of Years 7 – 10 Half Yearly Reports, Parent and Teacher Evening, Formal Assembly where we acknowledged our outstanding students for their Half Yearly Reports, Winter Grade Sport Finals and Sports Assembly, and our Year 12 students completing their HSC Trial Examinations.

# Year 11 - Interviews

Over the last three weeks of this term, I have had the pleasure of interviewing all the Year 11 students about their progress throughout the year. Many of the students have noticed the significant increase in expectations and workload as one of the major differences from Year 10 to Year 11. However, overall most of them have enjoyed the greater responsibility and opportunities to focus on their studies, along with the more mature relationship that they have developed with their teachers. A significant number of the Year 11 students also expressed a need to manage their time better to achieve their desired results. I encourage all students, particularly those in Year 11 and 12, to contact their teacher earlier rather than later if they have any course queries.

# Year 7 - 10 Reports

All Year 7 to Year 10 Half Yearly Reports were distributed ahead of schedule at the end of Term 2 to parents via email. This ensured adequate time to reflect and discuss the teacher's feedback with your son, prior to booking a time for the Parent and Teacher Evening – Week 2 of Term 3. If you still have not received your son's report please contact the school to confirm that the email address we have on record is the correct one as well as to ensure that all future school communications are also received.

# **Parent and Teacher Evening**

Parent and Teacher Evening is an import evening on the school calendar and was, as always, well attended. The lay out of the hall was different to previous evenings, with the addition of the staffing photos, and the new school session clock and chime to ensure that were able to remain on schedule throughout the evening. While we continue to evolve the evening, we would welcome any further feedback on how we could further improve it.

# Working Bee - Sunday 12 August

The P&C working bee successfully painted the timber around the garden beds located around the school in preparation for the Community Festival Day. Thank you to Tony Nicklin and all who attended, for generously giving your own time to assist in aesthetically improving the school environment not only for the Community Day but for the entire school community.

# **Year 12 Trial Examinations**

In a new development, Asquith Boys High School employed our regular HSC Presiding officer and his support staff to oversee the HSC Trial Examinations. This was implemented to allow the students to be held to the exact same personnel and practices during their HSC Trial Examinations, as they will have to experience in the HSC Examinations. The removal of HSC teaching staff from the examination roster allowed them greater time to complete examination marking, prepare lessons for the remaining 5 weeks of school and provide quality feedback to the students on their performance in the Trial Examinations. With the completion of these Year 12 HSC Trials, most students will have now completed their final school examinations. Despite many subject areas having completed, or nearing completion their of curriculum requirements, it is a critical time for the Year 12 students to practise examination style questions, receive quality feedback from their teachers and prepare their study notes prior to their official final day of school at Graduation Assembly, Thursday 27 September. There will also be a Year 12 Graduation Dinner for the class of 2018 on Monday 24 September, at the Hornsby Ku-ring-gai PCYC at Waitara. Please ensure that you organise your tickets well before this date.

# Walkathon – Friday 7 September

The Walkathon is a proud fund raising tradition at Asquith Boys High School which has been conducted for the past 28 years. In that time the school has raised over \$210,000 for significant school projects and the Royal Flying Doctors Service. This year the funds raised will be donated to the Royal Flying Doctors Service as well as the Farmers Drought Appeal.

Students received their sponsorship cards in Week 3 of this term. They are encouraged to obtain sponsors to support them towards completing the walk. Students need to acquire a minimum of \$15 of sponsorship to participate in the Walkathon, which covers organising costs and provides them with lunch at the completion of the walk. A \$5 fee for the bus is required to be paid on the day, to return the students back to school from Apple Tree Bay.

Students are awarded vouchers with increasing value for raising amounts over \$150. You can find this information highlighted on the students sponsorship cards. The student who is the highest fundraiser for the 2018 Walkathon will receive a Family Pass to Wet 'n' Wild, Sydney.

Parents are welcome to participate in the Walkathon either by assisting at the various check points, at Apple Tree Bay preparing the food, or completing the 10 kilometre walk with their sons.

The replacement of the old basketball court, that was recently demolished, is a very exciting development for the school with regards to growing the incredible facilities that we already provide for all of our students. Some of the funds to construct the new multipurpose facility have been raised through previous years Walkathon funds. It is exciting to finally be able to advise that we have the required funds for the project, and also received the initial go ahead from school assets to acquire quotes for its construction. With all things go to plan, we can hopefully move swiftly into the construction phase and complete the project before the end of this year.

# Asquith Boys High School Community Festival Day – Sunday 19 August

The P&C Community Festival Day was an excellent day. With a variety of activities running throughout the day including football games on the oval, music performances, various food and novelty stalls, coffee and BBQ's, jumping castle, face painting, bubble soccer and the popular car display. It was terrific to see so many staff and students come through the school on the day to support the fundraising efforts of the P&C and to participate in the activities or coordinate stalls.

A special thank you to all the staff who assisted with organising the event with the P&C on the day. Thank you to Ms Gowthorp and Mr French for coordinating and working in conjunction with the P&C; Ms Holder for face painting; Mr French, Mr Robinson, Ms Riley and Ms Polson on the Environment stall; Mr Jones, Mr Moscos and Mr Blackwood on the organisation and set up of the football fixtures, Ms Tapner and Ms Fry with the Barista Boys Café; Mr Newton on music and band organisation; and finally Ms Robson on photography for the day. A nice and enjoyable day for all who attended, and one that raised a significant amount of funds for the P&C to invest back into supporting and developing the school, its facilities and the school environment. I do apologise if I have unwillingly omitted anyone from this extensive list.

The next P&C Community Festival Day will be in 2020 and coincide with the school's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations. There are discussions about the possibility that the school may organise the soccer fixtures in 2019, to continue the school open and touring sides competing against former student sides for the Moscos and Blackwood Cups.

On behalf of Asquith Boys High School I would like to thank the P&C and all the organisers of the event – Tempe Beavan, Tanja Green, Jackie Ryan, and the many more who organised the day, with their efforts ensuring a successful and enjoyable Community Festival Day for 2018.

# **School Website**

Please be advised that our school website is being transitioned to a new platform and URL. Visitors using the old URL will be automatically redirected to your new site <a href="https://asquithboy-h.schools.nsw.gov.au">https://asquithboy-h.schools.nsw.gov.au</a>.

We apologise for the inconvenience that may create in the short term and we will be working with the transition and training providers to have our site content updated and functioning in the very near future.

# Congratulations to:

- Our recent Zone Sport Winter Grand Finalists 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Soccer, 15's Soccer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Soccer, 15's Rugby, and First XV Rugby. With our 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Soccer team victorious in the Grand Final coming from behind with a 3-2 victory over Epping Boys High School.
- Asquith Boys High School who was named the top ranked Rugby School for the Winter Zone Competition and we were narrowly edged out for the top ranked Soccer School.
- The 15's AFL KO team that made it to the final in the statewide knockout competition only to be defeated by Westfield's Sports High School.
- Ethan Scott-Branagan who, despite only being in Year 7, has achieved CHS selection in the Lawn Bowls Team.
- The incredible overall achievement by Jackson Tuynman, Edward Parker and Ethan Oliver
  who have all achieved CHS Athletics selection. Jackson for the Shot Put and High Jump,
  Ethan for the 400 metres, 100 metres Hurdles, Javelin and Long Jump as well as being named
  Regional Age Champion. Edward was also named Regional Age Champion after competing in
  over 8 AWD events, winning or placed in all of them on both the track and field.
- Mr French's 16 years Futsal side for reaching the Quarter Finals of the State Championships.
- Our outstanding Year 12 HSC Drama students Andrew Mihalarias, Aaron Parise and Tim Harris who in preparation for their HSC practical performances, performed at the recent Asquith Girls and Boys Drama Workshop to thunderous applause.



# RELIEVING DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Mr Ryan Bolger

Term 3 is definitely progressing swiftly. Year 12 have just concluded their Trial HSC Examinations. This year these examinations were supervised externally in an aim to further prepare our students for what to expect come October and November. It is essential that students make effective use of the time between now and the start of the HSC

examinations both inside and beyond the classroom. Take time to dissect your examinations and take on board teacher feedback. During revision time go back and fill the holes that were made evident in your Trial Examination. Seek out your teachers to assist in strengthening your knowledge base in these areas and realise that you can make significant gains if you harness your time effectively over the coming weeks.

Summer sport trials are well underway. Students will shortly be informed if they have successfully made a grade team and will receive their respective permission notes. These notes will need to be returned to team coaches and various grade sport fees paid to the office. Students who are un-financial from the Winter season will be at risk of not playing in the upcoming season. Permission notes for recreational sporting options were distributed this week and students need to return these slips to Mr Corbitt in order to be allocated to a sport. Students in Years 7-10 who are not in a grade team and do not return a recreational sport note will automatically be placed into school sport. Year 11 students in this situation will be placed into study hall.

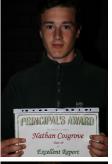
# SEMESTER 1 REPORTS AWARDS - FORMAL ASSEMBLY

Congratulations to all the students who were acknowledged at the first Formal Assembly this term for their outstanding Half Yearly Reports. Well done!















Perfect Attendance Award Recipients











Principal Award Recipients



MAD Night 2018 - People's Choice Award Recipients

RELAY FOR LIFE



Duke of Edinburah Award



(02) 9334 1600

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# WHY RELAY?

Get together. Walk or run. Each Step takes us closer to beating cancer. Raise funds for Cancer Council NSW's world class research, prevention and support programs.

# JOIN THE MOVEMENT

Relay is a unique 24 hour team fundraising event held in over 26 counties worldwide. Join the movement at your local Hornsby Relay on 3 - 4 November at Rofe Park

### **WALK OR RUN**

Take the team challenge to keep your baton moving in a relay style walk or run around the track. You and your team can stay at the event as little as 1 hour OR take the challenge to keep a member of your team on the track the whole 24 hours - it's up to you!

It's one fantastic weekend with something for all ages, when you're not walking enjoy entertainment all around you - big stage, live music, great food and activities for children and youth. Participants can camp overnight and participate in special moments like the candle lighting ceremony at dusk – a moving time of remembrance to support those lost to cancer and give hope to those fighting.

# **REGISTER YOUR TEAM!**

www.relayforlife.org.au/hornsby (02) 9334 1600

# **Customer Service** Inbound Sales Role available

- Hornsby based.
- Approx 16 to 24 hrs per week.
- Monday to Wednesday.
- Contractor role.
- Must have own ABN.

Eco Friendly Packaging Company requires an enthusiastic and articulate person with a passion for the environment to join our small office team.

Answer inbound telephone and email enquiries, processing orders and prepare samples boxes for customers. External customer visits may be required at times.

Must have excellent telephone manner. communication skills and customer service. be sales oriented and competent with using computers and Microsoft.

Must be reliable, punctual and attention to detail. Drivers licence required.

Vegware Australia, Hornsby Tel: 9987 0800



# ATTENDANCE, UNIFORM, LATENESS AND NOGO

# **Attendance and Truancy**

If a student is marked absent in morning roll call, a text is sent home to notify parents of their son's absence.

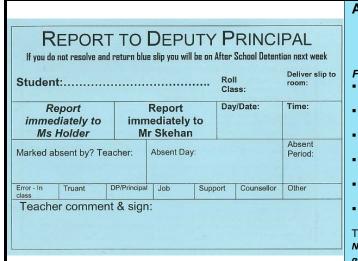
At the end of the school day, after teachers have completed marking their rolls, the school student management system (SENTRAL) will assess the entries for that day. At this time the database of student attendance discrepancies is generated. Students are eliminated from the list if reasons for their absence are known including lateness, sick bay, students performing jobs, excursions and incursions.

Once these students have been eliminated, blue slips are written and distributed to the students whose absence is not explained. It is the students' responsibility to see Ms Holder (Years 7,9,11) or Mr Bolger (Years 8,10,12) to correct this attendance issue. Parents are informed again via text, so that they can inform their son to follow up this attendance issue. When this process is followed, any required corrections to school rolls will be rectified immediately. If students fail to see the Deputy Principal on the following day, they will remain on the database as a truant and be placed on after school detention.

If parents receive a text and no blue slip was issued to their son, it is then essential that he follows this up.

# The blue slip is pictured below.

Note that on the back is the policy in relation to consequences for continuing breaches.



# **Attendance Monitoring System & Consequences**

- Suspected truants are reported by teachers and/or recorded on SENTRAL
- Students will escalate up the following level system if they truant within a 4 week period of the previous offence.

### Full day & Fractional truancy

- 1st breach: Parent(s) will be notified; Placement on After-School Detention
- 2nd breach: Parent(s) will be notified, placement on a five day monitoring card and After-School Detention.
- 3rd breach: Parent(s) will be notified, placement on a ten day monitoring card and No-Go.
- 4th breach: Formal Caution may be issued by the Deputy Principal; another ten day monitoring card; and After School-Detention
- 5th breach: Possible Withdrawl; Deputy to arrange a parental meeting; placement on No-Go.
- 6th breach: Possible suspension; Deputy to arrange a parental meeting; placement on No-Go; Possible HSLO referral

The minimum period on No-Go will be two weeks.

Note: failure to furnish a note explaining a part day absence will result in the assumption of truancy.

### Uniform, Lateness and NoGo

Students must attend school on time and in full uniform. The school has high standards and expectations for every student at Asquith Boys to uphold in both these areas. Students who are late to school or out of uniform must supply a signed and dated note from their parents.

In any four week period of the school year, the SENTRAL database reports on students who are frequently late and/or out of uniform. Students who are late or out of uniform 3 or more times in a four week period are placed on NoGo. NoGo is from 12.30 until 3.05pm on Wednesday afternoons. Students are only removed from this roll when they have attended the required two NoGo detentions. If the student is away or does not attend, they will be expected to complete this detention the following Wednesday. Students who do not attend, are disobeying school rules and procedures, which will inevitably lead to interview and further action by the Deputy Principal. Senior students on NoGo will lose all privileges of early leave on Tuesday afternoons and last study period.

For Year 12 students, there are also implications for graduation and their farewell beach day if their NoGo obligations have not been completed.

We know that our hard working parents expect their sons to be the best that they can be in preparation for life. Supporting your sons to take responsibility for their attendance, presentation and punctuality are greatly appreciated by all the staff of ABHS.

Mr Bolger and Ms Holder

# **ENGLISH FACULTY NEWS**

The English Faculty offers many exciting extracurricular activities to support the diverse interests and skills of our boys here at Asquith. Some of these activities include The Writer's Room and Book Club.

### The Writer's Room

The Writer's Room meet each week to experiment with words, writing styles and form, in the pursuit of becoming better writers and having fun with like-minded people. We have members from Years 7-11. This term we have been looking at writing evocative settings, enriched with sensory descriptions:

Here are a few samples from some of our members:

"The path felt like gravel underfoot. The dirt and wood chips crunching with each step. A lone tree had snapped at its base and the charred remains lay over the path. As I approached, I placed once hand on the gritty surface to support myself, as I leaped over to the other side.

A glint on the side of the path caught my eye, as sunlight hit metal. I peered carefully at it and recognise the outline of a half buried key. I picked it up and removed the dirt, with an ash covered hand..."

- G Garner, Year 11
- "... Danny walked home, lonely. Pam usually walked home with him but not today. He strolled past the silent bus stop when he realised that all of Denbroke Road was empty. Deserted. But this road is so busy, all of the time. Why is it empty now...?"
  - J King (pseudonym)

Mrs Howe, Writer's Room Coordinator

### **Book Club**

Book Club meet once a fortnight, on a Friday lunchtime in Week A. With a loyal core of 12-15 students spread evenly across Years 9 -11, we enjoy our time together discussing whatever it is we are reading at the time (as well as eating!).

Book Club began at the end of Term 1, with students all taking home Douglas Adams' classic, 'The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy' to read over the holidays. After that, we decided to focus on a genre, with each student choosing a different book. We have looked at Graphic Novels (from the DC Comic family), Science Fiction, and are currently reading Fantasy. We vote on a genre, then descend on the library, with boys often pointing out favourites and recommendations to each other. Some boys like to use audio books, which is also great.

Reading is excellent for students' writing, comprehension and spelling, as well as their own creative story ideas. All students from Year 9 onwards are welcome, from the bookworms through to those boys who would like to be better readers.

Mrs Wingrave, Book Club Coordinator

# **MATHEMATICS FACULTY NEWS**

It has been another busy period in the Mathematics Faculty. Since the last posting, we have said good bye to Miss Zhou who took up a teaching position at a selective school closer to home, and we welcomed Mr Hughes into the faculty.

Year 12 have completed their Trial Examinations and are receiving valuable feedback from their teachers. Years 7 and 8 have their examinations during week 7, Years 9 and 10 during week 8 and Year 11 during weeks 9-10. Remember effective preparation is the key: 'fail to prepare, then prepare to fail!!' Speak to your teacher about effective study techniques to assist you achieve your learning goals.

Junior students participated in the 'World of Maths Experience Day'. Students had the opportunity to work collaboratively in groups to solve complex hands on problems. The feedback was positive with a high level of student engagement and smiles on the boys faces.

Daniel Karagun's report on his World of Maths experience:

'World of Maths was a great experience. It was filled with activities. I figured out most of the questions, but me and my group were not half way through all the fun maths activities. All of us debated on which answer was correct and eventually we got the answer to the questions quite quickly. The experience was fun, and we had a great time.' Daniel Karagun, 7A.





Students from our Gifted and Talented Program participated in the annual Mathematics Competition. This is a state-wide competition and we thank Mrs Laffer for running it. The students who perform exceptionally well will be invited to Mrs Laffer's annual Pizza Day!

Select students from Years 9 -11 attended the 'Maths Inspiration' lectures at Freshwater Campus. Students had the opportunity to listen to people at the top of their respected fields discuss practical applications of mathematics. The feedback from all who attended was positive with everyone walking out feeling 'Inspired'.



Students from Years 9 and 11 attended the **Smart Money Incursion** where they learnt about the rights at work, how to save and how to invest effectively. The incursion gave students the confidence and knowledge needed to deal with financial matters.

Mr Miles, Mathematics Teacher

The ABHS school community is invited to the Annual Art/TAS Exhibition which will open on Thursday 30 August at 7.30pm. Students receiving special CAPA awards have been sent their invitation letters.





ASQUITH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

# 2018 TAS HSC Exhibition Design & Technology Major Projects

Industrial Technology - Timber Major Projects

ABHS Auditorium in conjunction with the Annual Visual Arts Exhibition



# Safe On Social Media Presentation

Concerned about your children's safety on social media? Looking for the answers but not sure where to turn? The Safe on Social Media face-to-face presentation and Q&A session delivers real life case studies and strategies to help parents support their children.

# Topics covered but not limited to:

- Using social media with awareness
- · Keeping personal information private
- · Online grooming
- Posting photos and sexting
- · Safe social networking
- Cyber-bullying
- Privacy settings
- What your posts say about you
- Identity theft
- Legal responsibility
- Gaming dangers
- · Learning to read tween/teenager behavior online
- Managing digital footprints
- · Strategies to build resistance and resilience

"Your presentation was simply awesome! You not only opened my eyes up to how I can keep my kids safe, you helped keep me safe too. More importantly, your style helped me come home and create a safe conversation with my kids about what we'll do moving forward rather than disconnecting the electricity and beginning to churn our own butter!!!"

Stacey - Banora Point - NSW





Office of the eSafety Commissioner

**Date: Tuesday 25 September** 

Time: 6.30pm in the ABHS Library



# **CAREERS INFORMATION**

# **Barista Training Courses**

Due to the high interest 2 Barista Training Courses were held this term, on 3 and 10 August. Forty-one Year 9 students attended a whole day's training at the CBD College in the city on how to make a range of espresso coffees and then learn to make a variety of designs in the coffee art session. All the students thoroughly enjoyed this course and were fully engrossed for the 6 hours of training. All students passed the practical sessions and most students have completed the online learning component to enable them to receive the nationally accredited Statement of Attainment.











# Northern Sydney Apprenticeship EXPO - August 16

It was very encouraging to see our students gaining information re the many trades on offer at this expo. For students who were unable to attend due to the Snow trip or HSC Trial Examinations. I have a list of all the employers and training organisations and their contact details who were present.





# **2018 Combined School Tertiary Careers Night**

The Combined Schools Tertiary Information Evening for Year 12 students was held at Cherrybrook Technology High School on Wednesday 22nd

August from 5 until after 8pm. Students who attended had the opportunity to speak to representatives from all the major universities and attend talks on Scholarships, Alternative Pathways to Uni and applying to Uni by UAC representative. There is an excellent booklet on important information for Year 12 students. Printed copies are available from Mrs Fry but a link to the booklet will be sent to all Year 11 and 12 parents.

# **Coming Events**

- Sydney Uni Open Day Saturday 25 August 9am-4pm
- Newcastle Uni (Callaghan Campus) Saturday 25 August 2018
- UTS Open Day Saturday 25 August
- UNSW Open Day 1 September 9am-4pm

**Macquarie University – STEM Boot Camp - October 8** (Australian Hearing Hub, Macquarie University, NSW) Are you a Year 9 or 10 school student who has a passion for Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics (STEM)? Do you want to tackle the challenges we face as humans and make a difference to society? Registration closes 28/9/2018. Find out more at this link: STEM Boot Camp

# **Important Information**

**UAC** has opened for online applications to university and an information session was held for Year 12 students on Thursday 23 August. Booklets are available for the School Recommendation Schemes, EAS Schemes and Equity scholarships.

Asquith Girls High School is holding a UAC Information Night on Thursday 30 August, from 6.30-8pm. They have extended an invitation to ABHS students and parents if they wish to attend. (See the invitation letter following the Careers Section.)

# **UNSW Law Admission Test**

The 2018 LAT will be held on Tuesday 25 September 2018. Registrations for the 2018 LAT are open on the ACER website and will close on 10 August 2018.

The Law Admission Test or LAT is a written test that is used to demonstrate your aptitude and suitability for studying undergraduate Law at UNSW. Your LAT score, in addition to your academic results (e.g. ATAR + adjustment factors) will be used in our selection process to allow us to better differentiate between the many high achieving applicants to Law.

# **Study Medicine Information Resource**

Medical degree information is complex, it is hard to compare degrees and detect when details have changed. The new Study Medicine website enables students to maximise their chance of becoming a doctor by providing details of the 57 direct entry medical degrees and degrees that lead to undergraduate or postgraduate medicine.

You can find Study Medicine on Twitter, Facebook or email: admin@studymedicine.com.au Find out more - <a href="https://www.studymedicine.com.au">https://www.studymedicine.com.au</a>

# **Surveying and Geospatial Work Experience**

Work experience with surveying firms is being offered in New South Wales. Students from NSW can apply here - <a href="https://www.alifewithoutlimits.com.au/secondarystudents/">https://www.alifewithoutlimits.com.au/secondarystudents/</a>

# TAFE, VET and Apprenticeships

# How I Got The Job - Web Developer

During a high school work placement at a graphic design firm, Jarrad's supervisor was so impressed with his design skills that he offered him an apprenticeship. He's never looked back and now runs a successful design firm in Sydney and is teaching web design at TAFE.

Watch his story - https://www.fya.org.au/video/how-i-got-the-job-the-web-developer/

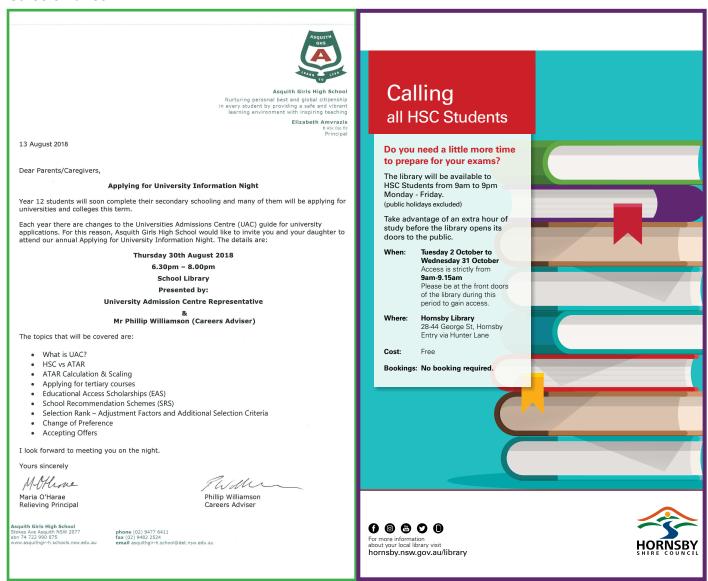
### SkillsRoad Job Fit Test

Making a career choice and then entering the workforce can be a daunting and stressful experience. With thousands of jobs and careers out there, how do you know which one is right for you and how to behave on the job when your get there?

Take the test here - http://www.skillsroad.com.au/get-career-advice/job-fit-test

Any questions, please phone me at school on 94773508.

Mrs J Fry Careers Adviser



# **ASQUITH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL CALENDAR TERM 3 2018**

Week	Aug 20	Aug 21	Aug 22	Aug 23	Aug 24	Aug 25/26
5A	HSC TRIAL EXAMS			Formal Assembly (Winter Grade)	Yr10 - Parent Subject Interviews	
Week 6B	Aug 27	Aug 28  P&C Meeting (School Counsellor)	Aug 29	Aug 30 Yr 11 Vaccinations  Yr 12 Post Trials Study Session  ART/TAS EXHIBITION and PIP display	Aug 31	Sept 1/2
Week 7A	Sept 3	Sept 4	Sept 5	Sept 6 Father's Day Breakfast	Sept 7 WALKATHON	Sept 8/9
Week 8B	Sept 10	Sept 11	Sept 12	Sept 13 Formal Assembly (CAPA)	Sept 14	Sept 15/16
Week 9A	Sept 17 <b>Year 11 Exams</b>	Sept 18 Year 11 Exams	Sept 19 <b>Year 11 Exams</b>	Sept 20 Year 11 Exams Duke of Ed - Silver	Sept 21 Year 11 Exams Duke of Ed - Silver	Sept 22/23 Duke of Ed - Silver
Week 10B	Sept 24 Year 11 Exams  Yr12 Graduation Dinner (P&C)	Sept 25 Year 11 Exams Yr12 Beach Day Social Media Presentation	Sept 26 Yr 12 – Study Day	Sept 27 Yr12 Graduation Assembly	Sept 28 Yr 12 – Study Day  Meet the Principal and School Tour	Sept 29/30

# ASQUITH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL CALENDAR TERM 4 2018

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
Week 1A	October 15 Staff and Students Return	October 16 Formal Assembly (Student Leaders)	October 17	October 18 HSC starts	October 19	Oct 20/21
		Yr7 Vaccinations				
Week 2B	October 22	October 23	October 24	October 25	October 26	October 27/28
		School Council P&C Meeting				
Week 3A	October 29 Yr8 VALID - Science	October 30 Yr8 VALID - Science	October 31 Yr8 VALID - Science	November 1 Yr8 VALID - Science	November 2 Yr8 VALID - Science	Nov 3/4
Week 4B	November 5 Yr8 VALID – Science Yr 11 Reports issued	November 6 Yr8 VALID - Science	November 7	November 8	November 9	November 10/11
	ABHS & AGHS  Musical  (Chatswood Concourse)	ABHS & AGHS Musical (Chatswood Concourse)				
Week 5A	November 12 Yr 10 Exams	November 13 Yr 10 Exams	November 14 Yr 10 Exams	November 15 Yr 10 Exams	November 16 Yr 10 Exams	November 17/18

# **P&C ASSOCIATION**

# Parents and Alizans working together for our school

# **Working Bees - June and August**

Thanks to Tony Nicklin and his wonderful team of parent and student helpers who have done quite a bit of painting during the last couple of Working Bees.

In June they painted the stand and seats overlooking the football field as well as doing some minor repairs. In August a dedicated platoon of volunteers mulched the front area for the car display. This was done by Jackie and Anthony Ryan and Tanja and Anthony Green. The timber around the trees in the main quad had a fresh coat of stain applied by David Morgan, Joseph and Timothy Von Bornemann, Jack Bal and Tony Nicklin. Stay tuned for the next Working Bee in Term 4.

# **Community Festival Day**

We had an excellent turnout last Sunday for the ABHS Community Festival 2018 from the school and the community and from early accounts the funds raised on the day were better than expected!

Thanks to the fantastic contribution from ABHS school staff, old boys, parents, carers and students who assisted in promoting the event, making donations or acting as volunteers, performers or players on the day. We could not have done it without you! Thank you also to the generosity of our sponsors, brilliant music and martial arts performers as well as the car owners including the Police and RFS volunteers who formed our fabulous Concourse of Cars. Thanks of course go to P&C Community Festival Coordinators Jackie Ryan and Tania Green and also to all the stall coordinators and facilitators of the sport and music events.

A more full account of photos and acknowledgements will be included as a special section on the Community Festival in the September Backchat.

# Fathers Day Breakfast - change of date to Thursday 6 September

All fathers and male caregivers are invited to our special Fathers Day Breakfast. This event is a highlight of the year for the school and provides a great opportunity for parents to see the hospitality students in action. Please note that the date has changed to Thursday 6 September due the annual ABHS Art/TAS Exhibition. Please see flyer below for booking details.

# **DATES FOR EVENTS 2018**

**Thursday 6 September** – Father's Day Breakfast **Monday 24 September** – Year 12 Family Dinner

Tempe Beaven
P&C President
president.abhspnc@gmail.com

Next P&C meeting
Tuesday 28 August @ 7.30pm
in the Library.
Special Guest:
Dorothy Wakelin – School Counsellor
All welcome.

# ABHS FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Father's and or other significant males of students from Asquith Boys High are invited to attend our annual Father's Day Breakfast. This is a great opportunity to celebrate Father's Day and to see and hear what is going on at the school.

WHERE:

Thursday 6th of September 2018

ABHS school hall

TIME: Cost: 7am to 8.30am \$10 per person attending

Please book and pay by the 2nd of September at https://www.trybooking.com/XRHI to avoid disappointment.



# Hornsby **Fountain** Dental Clinic

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life in the kitchen and prepare a delicious meal together! ASQUITH GIRLS COMMUNITY COOKING EST. 2018





June 28, 2018 – vegetarian san choy August 2nd, 2018 – healthy nachos August 30th, 2018 - nourish bowl September 20, 2018 – lentil bologn 5:30 – 7:30 pm

\$10 per person, resources & ingredients

Asquith Girls High School Kitchens Enter Stokes Avenue Bring a large container & apron

**EMAIL** ALYCE.AVERY1@DET.NSW.EDU.AU TO REGISTER

Hornsby Child and Youth **Mental Health Service** (CYMHS)



# Parenting Through the Ups and Downs of Adolescence

TERM THREE: Wednesday September 19th 2018 6pm-7.30pm

A seminar for parents of high school students discussing:

- · Ways that adolescents may behave when experiencing intense emotions
- Responding to self-harm behaviour
- Parent strategies and tips to help parents remain calm and be a resource for their adolescent



- To register please call CYMHS on 9485 6155
- VENUE: Hillview Community Health Centre 1334 Pacific Highway Turramurra. Entry via Boyd Ave. Please allow enough time for parking and arrive 10 minutes before the registered start time.
- Unfortunately, we cannot provide childcare facilities and are unable to have infants/children attend with their parents.
- The seminar is available to families who live in the Hornsby Ku-Ring-Gai local government area.
- The cost of the seminar is \$10. There will be no charge for concession card
- Registration is essential as groups fill quickly.
- Participants will be asked to complete feedback forms.
- The service reserves the right to postpone or cancel seminars in the case of insufficient registrations.





FOR A FREE INFO PACK SMS 'EXCHANGE' to 0428 246 633

### **AUTISM SUPPORT IN HORNSBY**



The Autism Community Network provides free support during school terms for families living with autism conditions. If you would like to meet other carers who understand you or find social opportunities for your ASD child and their siblings, please contact us or come along to our free support group meetings

# **HORNSBY SUPPORT GROUP - EVENING**

When:

First Tuesday 7.30 to 9.30 pm Hornsby RSL Club— in the Sports Lounge Venue:

HORNSBY SUPPORT GROUP - DAY
When: Fourth Thursday 10 am to noon
Venue: Hornsby RSL Club— in the Sports Lounge

### For more information:

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