2023 BACKCHAT IN BRIEF #4 (T1,W5)

What a great Swimming Carnival last Friday, with the first opportunity to conduct a whole school Swimming Carnival for the last 2 years. It was a great day of wonderful swimming, Year 12 fun and activities, and a great chance to cool off despite the hot temperatures.
Congratulations to all students who attended and had a wonderfully enjoyable swimming carnival, with all students conducting themselves in the expected excellent Asquith Boys High School manner.

Swimming Carnival

It was an amazing day for our 63rd Annual Swimming Carnival on Friday, with 70% of our school in attendance and high participation rates on the day, it was a wonderful day for all year groups and staff alike.
Our new House Captains did an excellent job at their first carnival as leaders, the Year 12's race was a pleasure to watch and the outstanding performance in the pool from our excellent swimmers.

Age Champions:
12 Years- Noah Fulmer
13 Years- Kai Loftus
14 Years- Kyo Yamada
15 Years- James Burt
16 Years- Tyler Truskett- Jones
17 Years- Jensen Goodchild

House Champions:
1st Wandoo - 321 points
2nd Kurrajong - 255 points
3rd Myall - 215 points
4th Cooba - 201 points

Parental Notes

In relation to all student notes regarding early leave or uniform, it important that you ensure that notes are presented by your sons to the Administration Office before school in the morning. While there can be extenuating circumstances from time to time, and with respect to specialist appointments, the acceptable and expected practice is that any student in this circumstance must present their notes to reception before school. Your ongoing assistance with this is greatly appreciated.

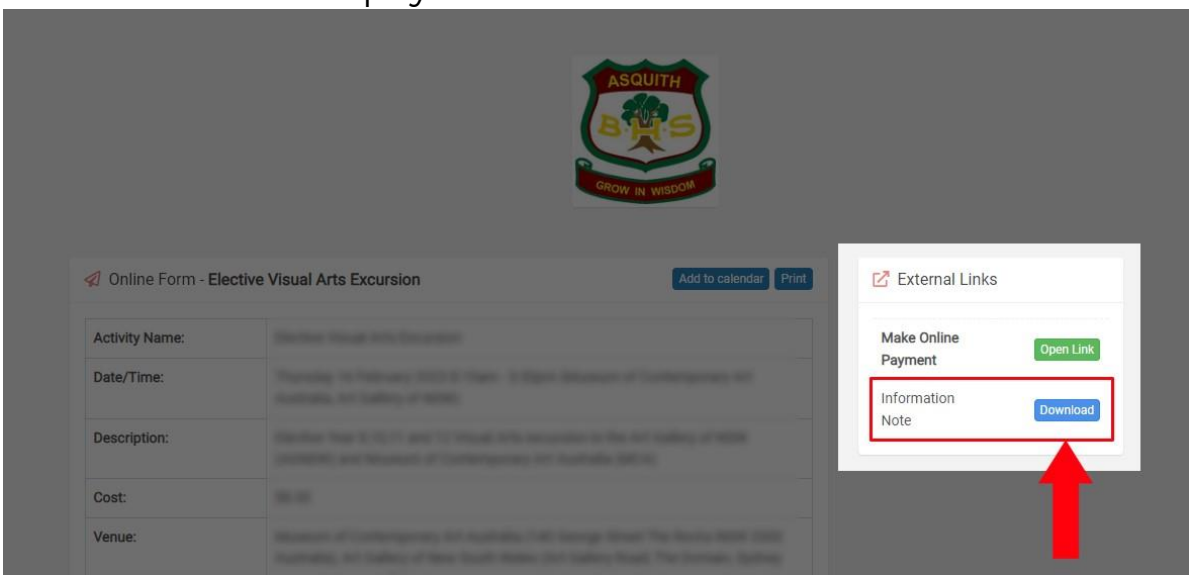
Parents – How to locate permission notes

In recent weeks we have received several calls with respect to the location of permission notes for the various activities and excursions that your sons may participate in. Therefore, please find displayed below an image outlining the location for an information note for an activity or excursion which will appear when you click on the 'blue button' in the email that you receive in relation to an activity or excursion.

This is an '*information note* (not a *'permission note'* like you may have been provided with in the past) and not a note that you must sign or return to school. This note just provides all the information about the activity. Parents should instead give permission for their child/ward to attend by submitting the form on the same page.

If you need to make a payment, this can be done by clicking the green 'Open Link' above the Information Note in the sidebar on the same page.

We hope that this information will assist you in locating and completing the required information and payment in the future.



Year 7 –Meet the Parents and Teachers Evening at ABHS – Tuesday 28th February 6pm

On Tuesday 28th February we will be holding an evening gathering for the new Year 7 parents. This evening is a very special event in which we welcome you to Asquith Boys High School. It is an excellent opportunity to receive some information from his teachers on how your son has settled into their new school environment, meet many of his current teachers and some of your sons' new friends' parents. Also, on this occasion an extensive number of other important staff that are available to assist and support your son on their high school journey will also be available including the Year Adviser – Mr Darwin, the Deputy Year 7 – Mr Hoareau, Learning and Support Teacher – Ms Deadman, Head Teacher – Welfare - Mr Broome and a number of others to talk and discuss all that is available for your son at Asquith Boys High School. High School is a whole new format for both your son and you, as per all new things will take some time to adjust to their new surroundings and school classroom environment, however we are committed to supporting you and your son on this journey to make it the very best and rewarding experience that it can be.

Our attending staff and myself, look forward to meeting and warmly welcoming all our new Year 7 parents to our evening gathering, just as we do greatly look forward to seeing them grow into the fine young men that I know that they will become over the next 6 years.
Some food and drinks will be served from 6pm that showcase the foods that are available to your son to purchase from the canteen. This gathering will also be followed by the first P&C meeting for 2023, and any interested and willing parents are welcome to attend.

Asquith Boys High School Events & News

Please check the school calendar, school newsletters and the school Facebook site for information on all the school events. The school Facebook page *'Asquith Boys High School Events & News'* has now grown to have more than 1500 followers. Many of the photos on the site highlight the most recent school event, publishing a brief but informative snapshot of what is happening in the school and the student's life at Asquith Boys High School. With the Year 7 Camp being the first major school event published displaying Year 7 students participating in a variety of activities and ventures.

Congratulations: -

- to our School Cricket Team for their excellent first round victory in the Davidson Shield, and to *Aiden McSweeney* for scoring a 100 in this victory.
- to our new House Captains who all did a wonderful job at their first carnival for 2023.

	Captain	Vice-captain
COOBA	Zac Carreno	Finn Baker
KARRAJONG	Ryan Fogden	Alexander Frank
MYALL	Jack Mooney	Mitchel Mahon
WANDOO	James Taggart	Tyler Truskett-Jones

DET COVD Updated Guidelines

Finally, a reminder that many of the COVID restriction and guidelines for school are still being applied to schools.

Parents are still asked to:

- Keep students home if they have **ANY** symptom of being unwell, however mild.
- Follow normal absentee procedures, should your son be too unwell to attend school.

Thank you again for support in this area and we are all looking forward to a new school year filled with wonderful challenges, with many rewarding experiences for all students at Asquith Boys High School.

Bryce Grant
Principal
22 February 2023

Exceptional Learning Opportunities for Boys

ASQUITH B·H·S GROW IN WISDOM

OPEN NIGHT

Monday 6 March 2023

4-6pm

- Ask questions of our Principal, School Executive, Staff and Student Leaders.
- Experience a taste of all that Asquith Boys High School has to offer.
- Learn about the wide range of extra-curricular and additional programs available to our students.

REGISTER TO ATTEND

To attend this event please register by emailing
asquithboy-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au
your name, contact details & number attending.

ENRICHMENT CLASS

Year 7 2024

APPLY NOW

Asquith Boys High School is offering places in their 2024 Year 7 Enrichment Class.

The Enrichment Class caters for students who are talented in literacy and numeracy, providing challenging extension opportunities that include creative and critical thinking.

Applications are now open. For an application package please go to the school website www.asquithboy_h.schools.nsw.gov.au

Peats Ferry Rd, Asquith Phone: 9477 3508 www.asquithboy-h.schools.nsw.gov.au

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New Catchment Zone in 2024 includes the following Primary Schools:

- **Asquith**
- **Berowra**
- **Brooklyn**
- **Cowan**
- **Hornsby**
- **Hornsby Heights**
- **Mount Colah**
- **Mount Kuring-gai**
- **Normanhurst**
- **Normanhurst West**
- **Waitara**
- **Wideview**

All the staff at Asquith Boys High School are eagerly looking forward to enroling boys from the above areas in 2024

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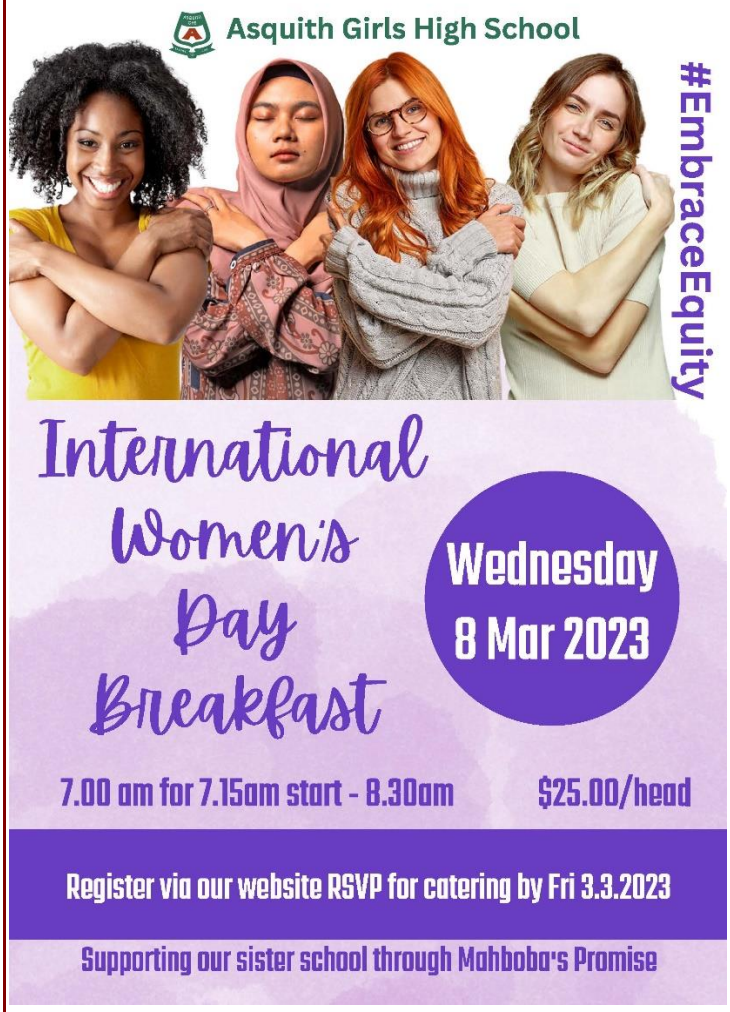
ASQUITH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL P&C NEWS

Welcome back to the school year for 2023. Our next meeting will be held **Tuesday 28th February in the School Library at 7.30pm**. All parents and/or carers are welcome to attend the meetings.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Kind Regards

Dawn
Kilkelly
President

ABHS P&C Association

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