

2024 BACKCHAT IN BRIEF #13

(T2W9)

We have already arrived at the penultimate week for Term 2, and we are busily completing the final stages of reviewing, editing and organising of the reports, in preparation for issuing to all parents for Years 7 to 11 before the mid-year holidays.

MAD Night Thursday 27 June 2024

I look forward to MAD Night each and every year. MAD Night will be on this Thursday evening from 6pm and I hope that the parent and student community will come out, despite the cooler weather, to support our students as they showcase their wonderful talents.

Returning to School in Term 3

A reminder to all parents that Term 3 will commence for all students on Tuesday 23rd July, 2024, wearing winter school uniform.

Community Safety and Behaviour

It is, unfortunately, disappointing to communicate developments that have recently been communicated to the school. The first is that the Dry Cleaners at Asquith, situated at the crossing where an extensive number of our students cross of a morning and afternoon, have in recent weeks had students inappropriately behaviouring, and to the point where the owner is considering taking police action.

The second is the increasing number of students leaving the school of an afternoon to walk to the station along Jersey Street. The concern is that these students take the significant risk of running across Jersey Street to get to the station side of the street, without thought of the consequences from the oncoming traffic. Both are very disappointing to report, especially when I am placed at the Peats Ferry Rd crossing every afternoon (well, almost every afternoon) to ensure that they all transit to Asquith Station safely. Your support in communicating with your sons in relation to both these

issues would be most appreciated. As per normal, while it is not a majority of our students who conduct themselves inappropriately in relation to these two areas, it does reflect on our school within the community.

Year 10 Subject Selection Interviews – Monday 24th June

I would like to acknowledge and congratulate the efforts and enthusiasm with which all of Year 10 recently presented themselves for their subject selection interviews.

All were well prepared and had taken the requested time to review their options, subject selections, and academic pathways. The interviews that I conducted were pleasing, in relation to the level of maturity and effort that all the Year 10 students had committed to this process. They demonstrated that they had been reflective of their abilities, both in strengths and weaknesses, as well as pathway alternatives and the selection of the one that will provide them with the best options for their future career and academic pathways.

Congratulations to all of Year 10, and parents, for their participation and support of this challenging and exciting time in their school journey. I was extremely proud of their maturity and sensible approach that they displayed in relation to their subject selections for 2025.

Parent Teacher Evening – Tuesday 30th July

With Year 10, 11 and 12 being the focus of our first Parent Teacher Evening in Term 1, our next Parent Teacher Evening in Week 2 of Term 3 will be focused on Year 7, 8 and 9. Your sons' Half Yearly Reports are an excellent and important feedback resource for all parents. This will allow you the opportunity to gauge, assess, monitor, and discuss with your sons their apparent strengths, weaknesses, and best study patterns or pathways for now and in the near future.

To receive personalised feedback from your son's teacher, we encourage you to book an appointment for this evening once the bookings are activated from Tuesday 23rd July (Week 1 of Term 3).

Programs offered for students at Asquith Boys High School on a weekly basis:

A reminder to all students who are unsure on how to begin or complete any of their assessment tasks, or how to prepare for an up-and-coming examination, is well advised to attend one or more of the following outlined sessions for assistance that they need.

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PROGRAM	DAY (S)	WHEN	WHERE
Homework	Tuesday and Thursday	Lunchtime	Library
Maths	Monday, Thursday and Friday	Lunchtime	Rm 6
Homework			
Year 11 and 12	Every day	During Study	Library
- Study		Periods	
Study Hall	Wednesday	Sport	Library
Games Club	Monday and Friday	Lunchtime	Lab 5

Winter School Uniform - Terms 2 and 3

A reminder regarding the change to School Winter Uniform for terms 2 and 3 which requires the students to wear their ties and school jackets. The important points are outlined below: -

- Students must wear a tie for Terms 2 and 3.
- Seniors must wear their blazers in Terms 2 and 3.
- Students are **NOT** to wear hooded jackets (hoodies) under their uniform.
- Extra layers for warmth are **NOT** to be visible underneath your uniform.

Also, with wet weather students may wear wet/all-weather jackets over the top of their uniform to remain dry. However, once at school all wet/all-weather jackets are to be removed, as they are not part of school uniform.

As a school it is an important the picture that we present to the broader community, and uniform is a big part of that picture. Thank you to all the students and parents who always comply and do the right thing in these and the many other areas of the school.

Students who fail to wear the correct uniform will receive afterschool and NoGo detentions, and repeated infringements will result in them having the incorrect item of clothing confiscated.

Juniors: Dark grey belt loop trousers/shorts (no elastic waist cargo pants or cargo shorts are permitted). Lace up (black laces only) black leather shoes (not suede, cut below ankle) with a black sole. Green shirt with crest. Ties must be worn for Terms 2 and 3, with the top button of collar done up and the shirt must be tucked in. Grey socks with school colours, must be worn pulled up to the knee. If a belt is worn, it must be black. A green pullover with crest or polar fleece with crest may be worn.





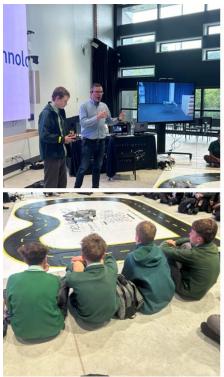
Senior: Maroon blazer. Dark grey belt loop trousers/shorts

(no elastic waist cargo pants or cargo shorts are permitted). Lace up (black laces only) black leather shoes (not suede, cut below ankle) with a black sole. White shirt with crest. Ties must be worn for Terms 2 and 3, with the top button of collar done up and the shirt must be tucked in. A maroon pullover with crest may be worn. Grey socks with school colours, must be worn pulled up to the knee. If a belt is worn, it must be black.



Institute of Applied Technology

Asquith Boys High School students enjoyed their day at the Institute of Applied Technology, as they engage in the interactive digital workshops last week. Thank you to Ms Parker for coordinating this opportunity.









Congratulations to:

• Congratulations to all of our Sydney North Representative at the Regional Cross-Country Championships held last week at Wyong Race Course.



 Well done to Liam Jones-Blair and Patrick Kilkelly for participating in the Parliament of NSW Schools Leadership Program with Local Member Mr Matt Kean today, at Parliament House.





• Congratulations to the Japanese Tour Students who were presented with their tour participation certificates at last week's Formal Assembly.







- This week's Bronze Principal's Award recipients:
 - · Daniel Caruso Y7
 - · Austin Hayes Y7
 - · Lucas Pryor Y7
 - · Maison Letters Y8
 - Oliver Rossington Y8
 - · Talon Jenkins Y11

- · Tyler Gardiner Y8
- Max Halbedl Y8
- · Benjamin Taggart Y8
- · Max Hughes Y10
- · Dylan Drake Y11
- Cameron Dillion Y11
- This week's Silver Principal's Award recipients:
 - · Jai Barakauskas Y9
- Formal Assembly Presentation Bronze Principal's Medallions recipients:
 - · Shams Alkozey Y8
 - · Evan Beasley Y8
 - · Harry Da Silva Y8
 - · Michael Gallagher Y8
 - · Cameron Hooker Y8
 - · Hugh Jobson Y8
 - · Tynan Piddington Y8
 - · Oliver Quinten Y8
 - · Harrison Simpson Y8
 - · William Tran Y8
 - Dylan young Y8
 - · Gabriel Hamilton Y9
 - Jesse Holliday Y9
 - · Ryan Langford-Brown Y9
 - · Kai Loftus Y9
 - · Kieran Mark Y9
 - · Ryan Mooney Y9
 - · Christian Morrison Y9
 - · Max Mulqueeny Y9
 - · Jude Osborne Y9

- · Jack Steptoe Y9
- · Madden WakemanY9
- · Geronimo Onofre Abidan Y10
- · William Andrews Y10
- · Harvey Barton Y10
- · Luca Davies Y10
- · Lachlan Heath Y10
- · Kai Helm Y10
- · Benjamin Kagermann Y10
- Noah Nash-Krause Y10
- · Tom Osborn Y10
- · Luke Simpson Y10
- · Royce Taylor Y10
- · Bailey Thompson Y10
- · Ellis Tutty Y10
- · Benjamin Eisner Y11
- · Mitchel Mahon Y11
- Tyler Morris Y11
- · Zachery Walsh Y11
- · Ihaka Wright Y11
- Formal Assembly Presentation Silver Principal's Medallions recipients:
 - · Lachlan Coombes Y9
 - · Haruki Fung Y9
 - · Edward Neate Y9
- · Jack Robson Y9
- · Jesse Loffel Y10

Bryce Grant Principal

25 June 2024





Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 25th June and will be conducted online via Google Meeting.

During the colder months we hold all meetings via online, so why not grab a coffee and sit back and log into the meeting to find out what the P&C is up to. The link is available by emailing Dawn on president.abhspnc@gmail.com

We are still looking for people to fill the following roles, these can be shared so it spreads the love.

· Community Fun Day Coordinator/FundRaising

Warm Regards
Dawn Kilkelly
President -ABHS P&C Association







SAVE OUR SPORT

Our community is being robbed – demand the NSW Government keeps its promise of funding for sports facilities at Westleigh Park.

Pledge your support to Save Our Sport

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