

2024 BACKCHAT IN BRIEF #14

(T3W1)

Welcome back to everyone for Term 3 in anticipation of another busy term of academics, sport, leadership and extracurricular opportunities for our students. Term 3 is an important term as it is the final school term for our Year 12 cohort, which brings with it a mixture of emotions. Year 12 will complete their HSC Trials in Weeks 4 and 5, before completing the important examination feedback and preparation for their HSC examination in Term 4. With their final week of school including their Graduation Dinner with family, Year 12 Day Out and Graduation Assembly.

This term will also see the election of Year 11 Captains in Week 6, which allows the smooth transition from our current and ongoing Year 12 Captains to the new, allowing them to prepare for their HSC Examinations. It is also exciting for approximately 20 Year 10 students who will be invited this year to nominate for the prestigious role of School Prefect. These invitations will be determined by the student's successful attainment of the pre-determined number of merit awards over the past two years. Student receive merit awards based on the student's achievement of the school values of *Respect, Responsibility and Excellence*, which are essential values for all our students but are especially important that our leaders of the school have demonstrated them extensively in their time at Asquith Boys High School.

Year 9 will also have their first whole school leadership opportunity this term, with nominations for Transition Leaders for our Year 7 cohort in 2025.

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. The Year 10 Cohort demonstrated that they had been reflective on their abilities, both strengths and weaknesses, as well as which 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 their parents, for their participation and support of this challenging and exciting time in their school journeys. 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

Week 2 of Term 3 there will be a Parent Teacher Evening for Year 7, 8 and 9. You will have received your son's Half Yearly Reports at the end of Term 2, and this is an excellent and important feedback resource for all parents. This should have presented you with the opportunity to discuss your son's

academic progress in Semester 1, and allowed you the opportunity to gauge, assess, monitor, and discuss with them their strengths, weaknesses and, in most cases, commence the thought process around what will best suit them with their future study patterns or pathway plans.

This evening is an opportunity to receive personalised feedback from your son's teacher, bookings are now open for years 7, 8 and 9 to book an appointment for this evening.

I highly recommend taking this opportunity to secure a booking for Tuesday 23rd July between 3 and 6.30pm, as staff booking go very fast.

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.

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

Winter School Uniform - Terms 3

A reminder regarding School Winter Uniform for term 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.



Congratulations to:

• Our Open KO Soccer Team who were defeated in the round of 16 by Smithfield High School 1-0 at the end of Term 2. Congratulations to the team and Mr Jones for his support and direction of this team



Our Open Softball and Baseball teams that continue to excel and they too
will participate in the final 16 in the State in the coming weeks.
 Congratulations to these two teams and Mr Timmins for his support and
direction of both teams as they enter the final rounds of the competition.



- Good luck to all our grade sport teams in today's Zone Semifinal competitions.
- This week's Bronze Principal's Award recipients:
 - Tyson Murray
 - Toby Skyring-Deans
 - · Zachary O'Farrell
 - · Brayden Johns

Bryce Grant Principal 24 July 2024



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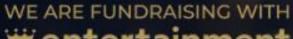
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