

# THURSDAY JULY 30TH 2020 QUIRINDI HIGH SCHOOL Newsletter



Term 3 - Week 2

AGE 6  
SELECTIVE  
information  
FOR YEAR 11  
2021

WHAT'S  
YOUR IDEAL  
PATHWAY

## Study Centre Returns

OPEN TO ALL QHS STUDENTS ON  
TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY  
AFTERNOONS FROM 3.20 - 5.00PM.



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome back to Term 3. What a different world it is we are continuing to operate in. As I watch the news, both national and international, I realise again how lucky we are to live in regional NSW.

It is with the greatest sadness that I acknowledge the passing of our much-revered staff member, Hughie Nean. Hughie was a huge part of our school community. The difference he made was evident every time someone entered the school. He took huge amounts of pride in what he did and in the school. Hughie's passing was sudden and unexpected and has had an impact across our whole community. We pass our deepest condolences to his family and know that he will be thought of and remembered and missed on a daily basis. We intend to acknowledge Hughie's contribution to our school in a lasting manner within our school.

If you have access to Facebook, you will have seen the data regarding the online learning surveys that had been put out. We have been able to use this information to start redesigning the manner in which we approach online learning. Feedback from our school community is so important in helping us continually improve our school. We are currently in the process of looking at planning for the next 4 years. Information we have collected will be used and there will be an opportunity for our school community to contribute further in this area.

At this stage, we are not able to have large groups of adults into the school. We have worked on subject selection information for Year 10 going into Year 11 in 2021 and this is now available through the school website. Further information will be placed there for other year groups throughout the term.

Year 12 have missed a number of events this year due to COVID. We are organising a graduation ceremony for them but there will be adjustments in relation to the way in which it is run. It may mean restrictions on who can attend but we will work on ways to involve parents, carers and family. This is an important occasion for year 12.

Here is hoping for a complete Term 3.

*Ian Worley - Principal*



SUBJECT SELECTIONS LIVE



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In a brief school assembly last week, Principal Worley welcomed students, teachers and staff back for Term 3.

"It's the final school term for Year 12 students and the last term before Year 11 students commence Year 12. This is an important time for you and we are here to support and assist you."

"We will continue to follow COVID19 health requirements and we look forward to a positive Term 3."

On behalf of all at QHS, Principal Worley also reflected on the recent, sudden and unexpected passing of our much loved and admired staff member, Hughie Nean.

Principal Worley reminded all, that while certain aspects of schooling in relation to the pandemic are being relaxed, we all have to follow health guidelines.

"We only have to look at VIC and some areas of NSW to consider what is happening in relation to the pandemic. It is up to all of us to follow good sanitation and consider the wellbeing of others in our communities."

It was also announced that Special Religious Education and the QHS Study Centre will recommence.

"Graduation and formals are yet to be decided by the Department of Education, as soon as we know anything, we will let you know," said Principal Worley.

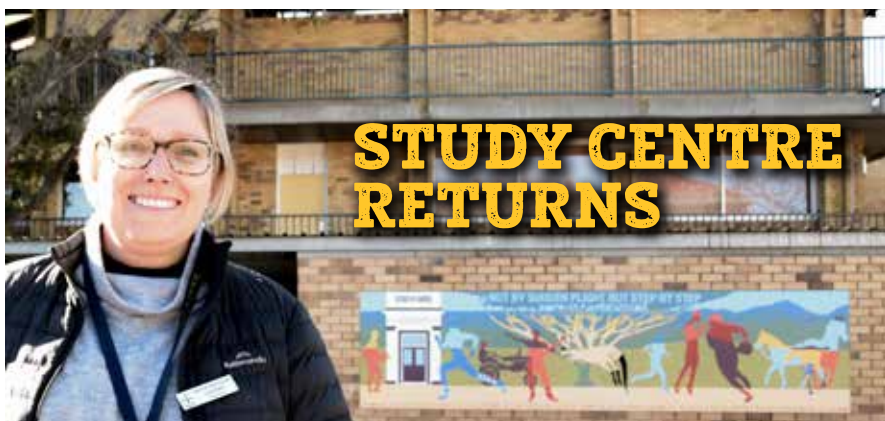
Mr Chambers, congratulated all students on how they handled last term and reminded them to choose a Sport for this Term.

"Well done to all on last term. Get onto your student portal in Sentral and choose your sport, if you are unsure come and speak to me. We look forward to a great term."

Mrs Saunders reminded students that the QHS Breakfast Club has recommenced and health protocols are to be followed.

"You must sanitise and use the entry and exit points. Breakfast Club is free and if you need help with uniforms or food, just come and talk to me as we can assist you."

At the conclusion of assembly, students headed to year meetings with their Year Advisor before heading to class.



The QHS Study Centre is back from Week 2. Open to all QHS students on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from 3.20 - 5.00pm.

"You are welcome any time from between 3.20 - 5.00pm - Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday afternoons. Bring your homework, assessment tasks etc to work on. You can also use this time to research, study, review

your learning from the day, print work and get help from a variety of teachers from a variety of subject areas each day," said QHS Teacher, Librarian, Mrs Owen.

We encourage students to make the most of this great learning opportunity outside the classroom – its free and offers access to fantastic tutoring from our talented teachers! For more information see Mrs Owen.



## BACK LEARNING

QHS is busy; with students enjoying being back in their classroom and learning environments, Teachers are in full swing ensuring their students are fully engaged in their learning and preparing for the upcoming HSC Trial exams, and staff are enjoying the positive and proactive work environment.

"Students are enthusiastic about being back at school learning, seeing their friends and especially participating in some of their sports. It's terrific to see them achieving to hear the school grounds and hallways filled with their laughter and learning," commented Head Teacher, English, Mrs Stenner.







## HOT CHOCOLATE

Quirindi High students can now enjoy a warm cup of delicious Hot Chocolate from the Canteen, thanks to the QHS SRC.

Students asked the SRC if the canteen could sell hot chocolates. SRC reps Rudi Walker-Sangster Year 7, Paige Sevil Year 9 and Molly Owen Year 9 took this request on-board and discussed this idea with Principal, Mr Worley and Canteen Manager Mrs Crouch.

Mrs Crouch researched Hot Chocolate dispensers to ensure the item fitted into the Healthy Canteen Guidelines. (Small and medium cup sized Hot Chocolates can be served and fall within the regulations of the Healthy Canteen guidelines).

A 'Kuller Hot Chocolate Dispenser' was purchased and donated by the QHS SRC and presented to the Canteen Staff recently.

"This will be a great addition to our fantastic canteen, and has arrived just at the right time with the cold wet weather we are experiencing at the moment," said Mrs Crouch.

It's positive to see the QHS SRC taking the initiative on student requests and delivering to benefit the whole school community.

Thank you to the entire SRC and SRC coordinators, Mr and Mrs Owen.

## BESPOKE Learning Opportunities

In many and numerous ways QHS works hard to offer individualised and bespoke learning opportunities to set our students up for the future they want to create.

As part of her Year 10 studies, QHS student Molly Elford is doing 'Community Pharmacy' through TAFE and was busy today undertaking her online class as part of this learning.

QHS Careers Advisor Ms Saunders reminds students that tonight, - TAFE kick off their 'Virtual Subject Selection' event for Schools, parents and students in year 10 to provide information regarding TVET options and school based traineeships and apprenticeships across.

Students have previously been sent an email link.



## SCHOOL SKILLS



QHS Year 9 'Skills' students are delving into their 'Learning Dispositions' by developing their curiosity.

Curiosity - the motivation to discover the unknown and put it to use - is the QHS 'Learning Disposition' for both the Science and HISE departments at QHS.

Teacher, Miss Sozou said her students are encouraged to... "pick a topic related to science that they

can investigate and learn in-depth."

Some of the students elected to explore the idea of 'Eating Habits' and 'Cultural Habits'.

Student, Hanaa Challak today brought in some homemade baclava to share more about her Muslim diet and about her culture.

"Thank you Hanaa for sharing your personal experience with all of us today, it has been interesting and enlightening," said Miss Sozou.

## FRENCH COOKING TECHNIQUES



QHS Year 8 Hospitality students enjoyed their educational cultural cuisine journey with Mrs Lawson today.

Students undertook learning of the French cooking techniques of both 'Concasse' and 'Chiffonade'.

"Concasse from the French concasser, "to crush



or grind", is a cooking term meaning to rough chop any ingredient, usually vegetables. This term is particularly applied to tomatoes, where tomato concasse is a tomato that has been peeled, seeded (seeds and skins removed), and chopped to specified dimensions. The most popular use for tomato concasse is in an Italian bruschetta," elaborated Mrs Lawson.



"Chiffonade' is a slicing technique in which leafy green vegetables, are cut into long, thin strips. Chiffonade' means little ribbons in French, referring to the little ribbons formed from finely cutting the leaves in this technique."

Well done students on your dedication to your learning today.





## STAGE 6 SUBJECT SELECTION



QHS Year 10 students today undertook a Subject Selection meeting in the Library.

"Think about what you want to do as a future career. Discuss your goals with your families and your teachers. Talk to current Year 11 and Year 12 QHS students to find out what HSC subject choices they made and why. The more information you have the more informed your decisions will be," encouraged QHS principal, Mr Worley.

Today's presentation was given by Teachers, Head Teachers, QHS Principal and Deputy, with the entire HSC Subject Selection process clearly outlined to students.

"There is a lot of information involved in the governing rules and we are here to help you

make the right decisions," encouraged Deputy Principal, Loughrey.

There are many pathways to University and one is early entry via a Principals Recommendation. "Academic success is one part of the recommendations. Work ethic, including applying yourself to your studies every day, managing your time wisely, and being proactive in your own learning, are all important so start applying yourself now," continued Mr Worley.

Careers Advisor, Ms Saunders presented on different career paths including School Based Apprenticeship and Traineeships and Vocational Education options.

Students were also encouraged to talk to: QHS Careers Advisor – Mrs Saunders, Head

Teachers for subjects of their choice, their Year Advisor - Mr Field, their Parents/Carers as well as their peers.

"Talk to: your teachers anytime, University and TAFE Representatives, your parents/carers, current Year 11 and 12 students. Be informed and take the initiative," concluded Principal Worley.

A QHS Subject Selection Guide – including important dates and a letter to parents/carers were also distributed to students.

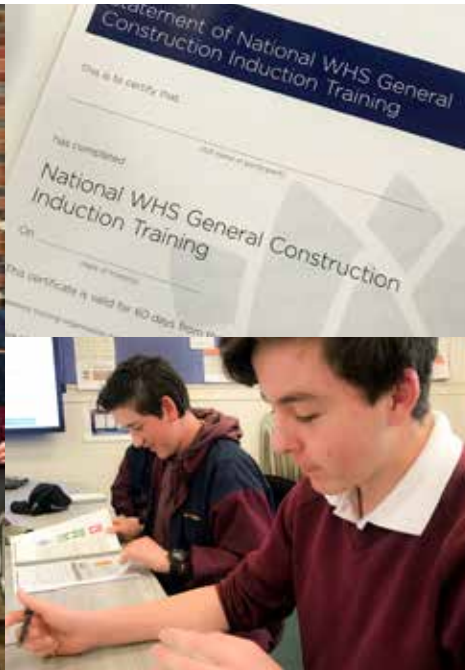
If students, parents/carers have questions relating to Subject Selection information - please contact Curriculum Coordinator and Head Teacher Administration - Mrs Craswell via email on: emma.gillies4@det.nsw.edu.au.







## WHITE CARD COURSE



Congratulations students who undertook their National WHS General Construction Induction Training – White Card this week.

A White Card - a mandatory work card required in Australia to order to work on a

construction site - is gained by completing a face-to-face government mandated course and was run by QHS teachers Mr Miggins and Ms Saunders.

"Students participated well, they were well

engaged and we are very proud of their performance" said Mr Miggins.

Thank you to teachers Mr Miggins and Ms Saunders for coordinating and running the course.



## WORK READY



Throughout the school holidays Quirindi Academy members were still busy adding work ready documents to their Graduate Portfolios.

A number of current and past Quirindi High School boys, with the help of Ross Fraser and Aaron Sampson attended a 'Poultry Job Ready' Training course in Quirindi.

This course provided these students with an opportunity to begin work at a number of Poultry farms around the Liverpool Plains once they have completed their schooling.



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## RAFFLE

To further support Genes for Jeans day the SRC is running a raffle.

1st Prize is a \$100 Just Jeans voucher

2nd Prize is Jeans for Genes Day Tote bag

The SRC reps will be selling tickets for \$2 each. See your SRC reps to be in the running to win a voucher to buy some new jeans!

The raffle will be drawn on Monday 10 August 2020.

Let's help raise some funds for the Children's Medical Research Institute by wearing our jeans and focusing on what is important.



# MUSIC MAKERS

QHS Flute Ensemble met recently in the Music room, under the tutelage of teachers Miss Eykamp and Mr Turner. The group will prepare some pieces for a potential online performance.

"We don't know what the year ahead proposes in regards to public performances, so we are preparing a piece we can perform online for many to enjoy," said Music Teacher, Mr Turner.



## COVID SAFE

While it is exciting to be commencing the new term, there are also some health guidelines - as per directive of the Department of Education - that must continue to be followed due to COVID-19.

All students should be either:

- at school
- at home because they are currently unwell
- at home because they have a medical certificate which states that they are unable to return to school due to an ongoing medical condition (or in limited cases where a family member has an ongoing medical condition)

If parents believe that their child has a condition which means it's not safe for them to return to school, they will need to provide a medical certificate to the school.

As you would be aware the border between NSW and Victoria closed as of 12:01am 8 July 2020. Any staff and students returning from Victoria after this time must have a permit to enter NSW and are required to self-isolate for a period of 14 days. NSW Health has requested anyone who has been in Victoria and is unwell or has flu like symptoms arrange to be tested

through their local medical practitioner or one of the COVID-19 clinics.

**Under directive of the Department of Education - Non-essential visitors to the school are not allowed.**

Note: at pick up and drop off areas parents/carers are to physically distance from one another and from staff.

QHS promotes that all staff and students continue the regular washing of hands. The exclusion of the sharing of food and personal items and the school promotes the cleaning of any shared items such as musical instruments, learning and sporting equipment between uses.

QHS will continue to follow cleaning protocols as per the AHPPC guidelines and advice from NSW Health. An enhanced hygienic cleaning process in the school has been implemented in addition to the standard daily clean. Target areas include high-touch areas and other hard surfaces, door handles, lockers, light switches and handrails in stairways and movement areas.

If you have any questions, please contact the schools Front Office on 67461177



## EVERY DAY COUNTS....

A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ a years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

*Give your child every chance to succeed...*

**Every day counts!**



# QHS 2020 HSC Trials Examination Timetable

Exams Commence: Term 3 Week 4 – Week B

	Monday 10/8/20 Wesley Hall	Tuesday 11/8/20 Wesley Hall	Wednesday 12/8/20 Wesley Hall	Thursday 13/8/20 Wesley Hall	Friday 14/8/20 Wesley Hall
<b>Morning session</b> <b>Start time: 9:05</b>	English Advanced (8) Paper 1 (1hr 30 min +10 min)  English Standard (SP) (15) Paper 1 (1hr 30 min +10 min)	English Advanced (8) Paper 2 (2hrs +5 min)  English Standard (SP) (15) Paper 2 (2hrs +5 min)	Ancient History (SP x 2) (7) (3hrs +5 min)  Modern History (1) (3hrs +5 min)  Business Studies (12) (3hrs +5 min)	Biology (SP x 2) (8) (3hrs +5 min)  Drama (SP) (4) (1hr 30min +5min)  Metal and Engineering (VET) (3) (1hr 30min +5 min)	Legal Studies (8) (3hrs +5 min)  PDHPE (SP) (6) (3hrs +5 min)  Physics (6) (3hrs +5 min)  Design and Technology (2) (1hr 30min +5min)
<b>Afternoon session</b> <b>Start time: 12:30pm</b>	English Extension 1 (DE) (1) (2hrs +10min)	Music 1 (4)**** (1hr +5 min)  Hospitality (VET) (SP)(11) (2hr +5 min)  Geography (2) (3hrs + 5min)	Society and Culture (1) (2hrs +5 min)  Textiles and Design (5) (1hr 30min +5 min)  Chemistry (6) (3hrs +5 min)	CAFS (SP) (4) (3hrs +5 min)  Agriculture (2) (3hrs +5 min)  Construction (VET) (2) (2hrs +5 min)	Visual Arts (SP x 2) (3) (1hr 30min +5 min)  Industrial Technology Timber (1) (1hr 30min +5 min)  Industrial Technology Multimedia (2) (1hr 30min +5 min)

\*\* Music Exam to be supervised by M. Turner in CR1– Start time 12:30.

## Week 5 – Week A

	Monday 17/8/20 Wesley Hall	Tuesday 18/8/20 Wesley Hall
<b>Morning session</b> <b>Start time: 9:05</b>	Mathematics Advanced (2) (3hrs +10min)  Mathematics Standard 1 (SP) (10) (2hrs +10min)  Mathematics Standard 2 (SP) (14) (2hrs 30min +10min)	Catch Ups
<b>Afternoon session</b> <b>Start time: 12:30pm</b>	Catch Ups	Catch Ups

QHS Year 12 Advisor, Miss Cooper recently hosted a Year Meeting for students including accelerated Year 11 students.

“This term we will continue to work together for the best possible outcomes for each of you. The Trial HSC is the last Assessment for Year 12 and for some the only Assessment since return to school from COVID19 online learning.”

Miss Cooper also outlined how students have prior access to the Trial Exams and are encouraged to make the most of this opportunity.

“In every class, you will be given some or all of the exam in advance, depending on the subject. This is occurring as special consideration by the Department of Education in response to the pandemic. This is an opportunity and we encourage you to make the most of it.”

The QHS Study Centre located in the school library will be commencing in Week 2 and students were encouraged to make the most of this additional free support offered by the school.

The Rules for the Trial Exams were read out to all students by Head Teacher Administration, Mrs Craswell and students signed for a copy of the Trial HSC timetable.

“It’s up to you to put in the effort, you only have one term to go and we are here to support you. It’s all do-able. Make sure you look at what you are given by your teachers and talk to your teachers, ask questions and find out about your learning and exams - there is nothing stopping you from doing as much preparation as you can.”

## Examination Information, Rules and Procedures

- If students are aware in advance they will be absent for an examination - ensure paperwork is complete, see Mrs Craswell (Exam Co-ordinator) and notify your class teacher.
- Students have the responsibility to check the examination timetable and ensure that they know when their examinations are to be held.
- Please note that some subjects are for those studying Distance Education - These are listed as DE at the end of the subject name.
- Students will bring pens, ruler, calculator, pencils, eraser, sharpener and any other necessary and NESA approved equipment. The equipment must be in a clear plastic bag.
- Students may bring water in a clear drink bottle.
- Paper will be supplied.
- The examinations will be held at Wesley Hall.
- Students should be waiting at the back of the hall 10 minutes before the examination is due to start.
- Students are to have their mobile phones switched off in their bags.
- Electronic devices are not permitted in the examination room. This means that you must remove all devices from your person.
- All bags will be left at the back of the hall in a designated area.
- There will be five minutes reading time for most examinations. Specified English and Mathematics examinations will have 10 minutes reading time.
- Students must not leave the examination before the time allotted.
- Should a student need to go to the toilet, they should seek permission and they will then be escorted to the nearest toilets.
- All examination papers are to be left in the examination room.
- Students with Special Provisions (SP) will sit their examination in the QHS library at the outlined exam time.
- SPECIAL PROVISIONS - Under special circumstances a student may be granted special considerations in their examinations and assessment tasks. Students who may qualify will work with the Learning and Support Teacher to complete the application process.



# SPORTS

In line with government COVID19 restrictions, some QHS sports are back on the agenda - for the time being.

Including the popular 'Skate Park Sport' coordinated by Mr Owen - pictured here in his usual role of inspiration through participation.

Thank you to all our Teachers, who give so much to offer our students diversity and opportunity at the school.

Great effort guys it was fun to see you all in scooter action today.



## GIRLS LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITY

'Country to Canberra' is launching its 2020 Leadership Competition for Year 10-12 girls.

**THE COMPETITION** The 2020 Competition will open on 20 July and close 4 September at 11.00 pm.

Students simply need to submit a 400-600 words response or 3-4 minute video responding to our 2020 question: "Lifting us up: How can women and girls empower each other and their communities in times of uncertainty and change?"

**THE PRIZE** An all-expenses-paid 'Power Trip' to Canberra!

On the 'Power Trip', competition winners will meet politicians and leaders, tour Parliament House, and participate in leadership and public speaking workshops. They will have the opportunity to join our mentor program and will be published nationally! In the past years, girls met with Julie Bishop, Tanya Plibersek, Larissa Waters, Jacqui Lambie, Malcolm Turnbull, and Prime Minister Scott Morrison.

**TO ENTER** Check out the attached poster and flyer or visit [www.countrytocanberra.com.au/](http://www.countrytocanberra.com.au/). Terms and conditions apply, see our website for more details.

**COUNTRY TO CANBERRA'S  
2020 LEADERSHIP COMPETITION  
OPEN NOW!**

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**HOW CAN WOMEN AND GIRLS  
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**SUBMIT YOUR RESPONSE FOR A CHANCE TO WIN AN  
ALL EXPENSES PAID 'POWER TRIP' TO CANBERRA!  
ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY 4 SEPTEMBER!**

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLY

### Term 3 2020

Wk 3 A Aug 3 - Aug 7  
Wk 4 B Aug 10 - Aug 14  
Wk 5 A Aug 17 - Aug 21  
Wk 6 B Aug 24 - Aug 28  
Wk 7 A Aug 31 - Sept 4  
Wk 8 B Sept 7 - Sept 11  
Wk 9 A Sept 14 - Sept 18  
Wk 10 B Sept 21 - Sept 25

### QUIRINDI HIGH SCHOOL 2020 SCHOOL TIMETABLE

#### MON, TUES, WED & FRIDAY

Roll Call	9.05 - 9.20	15 min
Period 1	9.20 - 10.35	75 min
Recess 1	10.35 - 10.50	15 min
Period 2	10.50 - 12.05	75 min
Recess 2	12.05 - 12.20	15 min
Period 3	12.20 - 1.35	75 min
Lunch	1.35 - 2.05	30 min
Period 4	2.05 - 3.20	75 min

#### THURSDAY-SPORT

Roll Call	9.00 - 9.10	10 min
Period 1	9.10 - 10.25	75 min
Recess 1	10.25 - 10.40	15 min
Period 2	10.40 - 11.55	75 min
Recess 2	11.55 - 12.10	15 min
Period 3	12.10 - 1.25	75 min
Lunch	1.25 - 1.55	30 min
Sport	1.55 - 3.20	85 min