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Monday 31 July—Friday 4 August—

**Education Week** 

Tuesday 1 August ICAS English comp.

Year 8 Subject Selection Evening 6pm—hall

Thursday 3 August Collegiate STEM Challenge

Cup

Friday 4 August Wheelchair Rugby

**Nationals** 

Monday 14 August P&C Meeting @ 7pm

Tuesday 15 August Maths ICAS Assessment

Friday 18 August Slam Poet incursion

Monday 21 August SRC Activity Day

Mon 21 & Tues 22 August

Blacktown Music Festival 6-9.30pm

Friday 25 August Forensic Science

Workshop

Monday 28 August Online Valid Testing

for Year 10

Monday 28—Thurs 31 August—Ski Trip

Monday 4 - Friday 8 September -

NAPLAN Online Readiness testing

Monday 11 Sept. P&C Meeting @ 7pm

Musical Matinee

Tuesday 12 Sept. QCCP Day No. 3

Wed 13 & Thurs 14 September—

Musical evenings

Friday 22 Sept. Stage 5 Scripture

Seminar

Last day Term 3

EXAM WEEKS 3 & 4 Monday 23 October—Friday 3 November

## **SPORTS CALENDAR**

Every Friday—PASS Officiating Program

Monday 31 July-Open Girls Soccer

Tuesday 1 August—14 Boys & Girls Futsal

Thursday 3 August—16 Girls Futsal, Boys Knockout Softball

Tuesday 15 August—Premier's Sporting Challenge

SUPPORT UNIT EVENTS

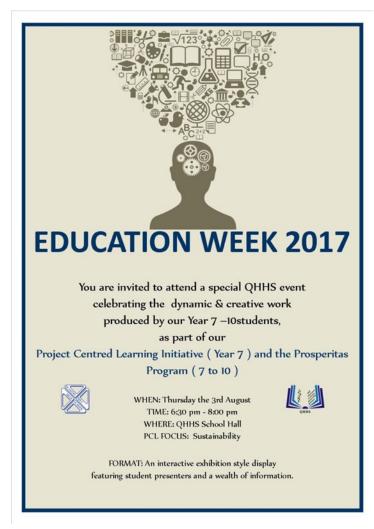
Work Experience—every
Tuesday Week B Term 3
Swim School every Wednes-

day Term 3



SMART FOCUS FOR WEEKS 3&4: PLACING LITTER IN THE BIN

# IMPORTANT NEWS FOR STUDENTS & PARENTS



#### **TEACHING AND LEARNING**

Next week we will enjoy the work of Year 7 as they display their projects on Sustainability. On the same evening we will see the amazing projects completed by students in the Prosperitas Gifted and Talented program.

Upcoming events:

### 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> August

- 7U and 9ENG6 will be completing the item analysis as part of the implementation of Online NAPLAN and future Literacy and Numeracy exams in Year 10 to
- 21<sup>st</sup> to the 25<sup>th</sup> August

Year 10 will be completing their Tell Them From Me survey.

**Progressive Assessment Testing** from the 14<sup>th</sup> August onwards. Year 8 will complete literacy and numeracy online tests within their normal classes. Selected students from Year 9 will also be invited to test.

## 4<sup>th</sup> September

Years 7 and 9 will complete the NAPLAN Online readiness test. A timetable of when and where will be sent home with students later in the term. As a school we are aware that all of this testing may be of concern to parents thus with all of these events letters have been sent home enabling parents to withdraw their child from some of these events. Some additional information has been included in the letters sent home and on our school website. All questions or concerns can be directed to Mrs Critchley.

### YEAR 8 SUBJECT SELECTION INFORMATION EVENING

Quakers Hill High School's Subject Selection Information Evening is being held on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2017, 6:00pm for a 6:30 start, in the school hall. This evening is designed to inform parents and students about the subject selection process at Quakers Hill High School and to assist them in making good decisions about the electives they choose for Years 9 and 10. During the evening information on the following will be provided:

- The Curriculum offered to students at Quakers Hill High School.
- What electives are available for the students to choose and how they are determined.
- The steps students need to follow to choose their electives for Stage 5.

• Specific information on each of the electives offered and a chance to discuss them with faculty experts.

All students who attend this evening will have their forms processed first to give them the best chance of getting their preferred electives. Please contact Mr Anthony Head should you have any questions about the subject selection evening or the selection process.

#### TRANSITIONING TO LMBR

Thank you to everyone for your patience as our school transitions to LMBR. As of week 3 we will gradually begin to process payments. Waiting times may be extended as office staff become accustomed to the new systems of receipting so once again we will be requesting your patience and assistance.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

There is no doubt that every day counts. Since 2013 Quakers Hill High School's annual attendance level has gone up by 1.8% to 90.8. Over the same 4 year time frame the State Attendance average has dropped by 2.9%. In 2016 our average level of attendance exceeded the State Average by 0.9. This may sound insignificant but when compared to overall Western Sydney figures QHHS attendance levels are outstanding. That said there are students who do not meet the minimum required levels of attendance. Once your child's attendance percentage falls below 85% we will follow it up through phone calls, interviews, letters and possible referral to the Home School Liason Officer. (HSLO) In extreme cases DoE policy dictates we make FACS notifications for possible Educational Neglect. Please ensure your child comes to school and when they are unable to do so due to illness or another approved activity contact the school by phone, email or letter to provide an explanation. Every day counts.

### PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students for achieving their Gold Principal's Awards:

Year 8—Carlie McLeod, Alexandra Wicks, Brooklyn Williams

Year 9—Harvey Wiggins

Year 10—lordan Peters

#### FREE HOMEWORK GROUP

The Hills Community Aid run a free Homework Group at Vinegar Hill Memorial Library on Mondays from 3.30pm to 5.30pm, assistance available for students in high School. Students welcome to drop in for half an hour or stay for the duration of the group for assistance with homework, assignments, maths or reading.

