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9 FEBRUARY 2018 CALENDAR DATES FOR TERM 1 2018

Friday 9 Feb. Contact issued Tuesday 13 March Wyndham College Subject Information Night

Year 7 Meet & Greet Year 5 & 6 Information

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Thursday 29 March

Barista training Evening

Monday 19 Feb. Barista excursion Monday 19 March Year 6 GAT Infor

Thursday 22 Feb. Leadership Assembly mation Evening

Period 4 Tuesday 20 March Life Choices

Friday 23 Feb. Contact issued Wednesday 21 Mar. Harmony Day

Year 10 Elevate Study Thursday 22 March UWS Aim Higher Skills incursion

Friday 23 March Contact issued

Friday 2 March Clean Up Australia Day Tuesday 3 April Parent/Teacher inter

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Monday 5 March Photo Catch up day views 3.30-8pm

Friday 9 March Contact issued Wednesday 4 April Year 7 Camp Information Evening 6pm

SPORTS CALENDAR Friday 6 April Contact issued

Vaccinations

Thursday 22 February—Zone Swimming Carnival Monday 9—Wednesday 11 April

School Photo Day

Year 7 Camp

Thursday 1 March—16 Boys/Girls Futsal Friday 13 April ANZAC Service

Last day Term 1

Year 6 taster day

Tuesday 13 March—14 Boys/Girls Futsal Tuesday 1 May First day Term 2

Wednesday 14 March—16 Boys/Girls Futsal

Thursday 29 March—Athletics Carnival

Wednesday 28 February—14 Boys/Girls Futsal

Monday 12 March—Sydney West Swimming

Friday 16 March—Annual School Cross Country

Tuesday 27 Feb.



IMPORTANT NEWS FOR STUDENTS & PARENTS

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I would like to begin the first newsletter of 2018 by congratulating all staff and students for a wonderful beginning to a new school year. High schools are always very busy places and we have all hit the ground running with a range of activities including our swimming carnival, taster day, orientation festival and grade sport selections. Yesterday's assembly was strongly focussed on seizing opportunities and this is something that we would like to see every student do in their time at Quakers Hill.

BUSWAYS

We have had recent communications from Busways about several routes being under review due to decreasing numbers. To ensure that this does not happen, it is essential to remind your child to always use their Opal Card to tap on and off as this indicates to Busways that the service is being used. Furthermore, this is a legal requirement.

MEET AND GREET

On Monday 12th February, we are holding the Year 7 Meet and Greet. The purpose of this evening is to allow you to meet your child's teachers and to hear about what is happening / will be happening in their class this year.



Please tear off and return

For catering purposes could you indicate your attendance.

YES/ NO I will be attending the Year 7 Parent Meet & Greet on Monday 12th February at 5.30pm

Number attending:

There will be a sausage sizzle hence it is important that you indicate your attendance on the QHHS Facebook page so that we have numbers for catering purposes.

The Meet and Greet will begin with a talk from the police about cyberbullying and keeping your child safe online. The evening will end prior to the P&C meeting and we encourage all new parents to attend this meeting and to get involved in the QHHS P&C.

FEES

Once classes are finalised, we will be sending out invoices for mandatory course fees and we anticipate that you will receive these around Week 5. Course fees are charged to cover the cost of all of the materials used by students throughout the year. The payment of these fees provides the school with the necessary funds to purchase the materials needed by students in these subjects, taking advantage of bulk buy and GST free prices which can be obtained by the school.

We are aware that payment of fees can cause economic hardship. If paying fees will negatively impact upon your family circumstances, please contact the school to make a gradual payment plan.

Farewell speech for Mrs Sharon Goddard, lab assistant in Science, delivered by Mrs Cathy Jones, School Administration Manager

Definition of Retirement: RETIREMENT IS WHEN YOU STOP LIVING AT WORK AND YOU START WORKING AT LIVING - something we all have to look forward to.

Sharon commenced not long after the school opened as the Lab Assistant for the Science faculty and has held this position until today. Sharon has during her career at the school taken on additional responsibilities such as:

Being an active member of the WH&S Committee for many years. Sharon has been responsible for all the school's chemical audits, updating the ever changing Departmental policies and regulations of chemicals in schools. Organising and updating the ongoing paperwork which is found in every faculty today regarding chemical safety in schools and making sure safety data sheets are current and up to date. For years, Sharon spent many of her lunchtimes doing her duty in the library as a monitor keeping a keen eye on the students making sure they were all doing the right thing.

Sharon has been a mentor and has trained many lab assistants from not only this school but other schools around the Sydney area. Her expertise in this area is second to none.

During her time here she has played a huge role with the running of the reporting system working tediously and tirelessly on her own to prepare and have completed the thousands of school reports for our students to take home twice a year, year after year after year.

Sharon has been a dedicated team member in Science and a loyal friend to many of us. We will certainly miss her.

BUT IT IS TIME TO GO!!!!!

So Sharon as you hang up your lab coat for the last time and walk through the front gates this afternoon, you should look back and be extremely proud of the work you have done in assisting your teachers to educate the thousands and thousands of students you have seen come through those lab doors here at Quakers Hill High School over the past 23 years. Your coworkers could not have done it without your inspiration, help and support.

Sharon, congratulations on your retirement. We would like to wish you and your wonderful husband Steve, many, many years of happiness, of good times and good health. You certainly deserve it.



KILDARE ROAD MEDICAL CENTRE INTRODUCING...

Dr. Kabir Ahmed, FRNZCGP, FRACGP

Dr. Ahmed graduated from Dhaka Medical College, Bangladesh. He went on to study at the University of Otago, where he attained a Master of Immunology and worked in probiotic research at Massey University, before starting a career in General Medicine. Dr. Ahmed practiced in New Zealand for 14 years, mainly in internal medicine in a hospital setting before relocating to Australia.

Interests: Aboriginal health, chronic care management, emergency medicine and palliative medicine.

Languages: Bengali

To make an appointment with Dr. Ahmed, go online at kildaremedical.com.au, use the Appointuit App or call Reception on 8822 3000

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