

# QUAKERS HILL HIGH SCHOOL

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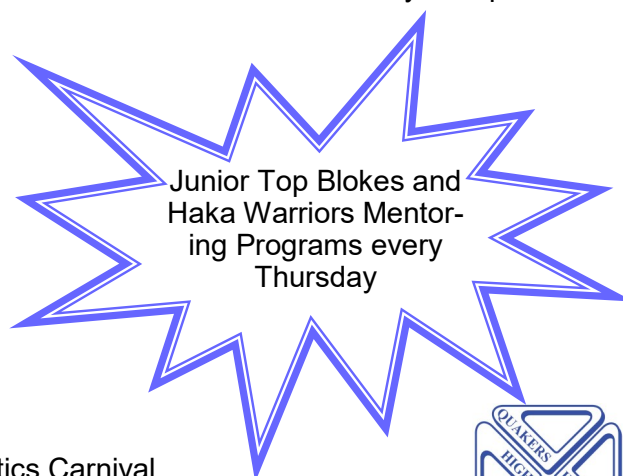
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## 14 MAY 2021 CALENDAR DATES FOR TERM 2 2021

Monday 17 May	Youth Frontiers Big Science Comp	Wyndham College Guides in School Program
Tuesday 18 May	Support Unit Work Experience QHHS Senior Information Night (Year 11 2022)	Primary Prosperitas halfway presentation meeting 4-5.30pm
Wednesday 19 May	Barnier Reading Club	Friday 28 May Chess Competition Newsletter issued
Thursday 20 May	Uniform Shop open 6-7pm Guides in Schools Program Shine & Strength Programs	Monday 31 May Year 10 Senior Subject Survey opens Year 11 reports distributed Youth Frontiers
Friday 21 May	Chess competition	Tuesday 1 June Support Unit Work Experience
Monday 24 May	Youth Frontiers Support Unit IEP meetings	Wednesday 2 June Barnier Reading Club History Competition
Tuesday 25 May	Support Unit excursion to Macquarie Centre	
Wednesday 26 May	Pathways to Dreaming Year 8 Barnier Reading Club	
Thursday 27 May	Taster Day QHHS @	



## SPORTS CALENDAR

Thursday 27 & Friday 28 May—Blacktown Zone Athletics Carnival



**SMART Focus for Weeks 5 & 6: Using appropriate and respectful language to others**

# IMPORTANT NEWS FOR STUDENTS & PARENTS

## **MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

### **HALF YEARLY EXAMINATIONS AND NAPLAN**

Our Half Yearly Examination period has now ended and I would like to thank all students and teachers involved in ensuring this process was smooth. In particular, our Head Teacher Administration, Ms Lawson-Cohen, is deserved of significant recognition for her painstaking organisation of such a large scale event in the school calendar. Likewise, Mr Kantek and the Learning and Support team did outstanding work to support students with special examination provisions. The Half Yearly Examinations provide the opportunity for teachers to receive data on the progress of students which informs teaching programs for the second semester. Likewise, students are able to receive feedback from teachers on their progress and make plans to seek further support. This should be the focus for all students now that the examinations are complete.

NAPLAN ran concurrently with the examination period and was concluded at the end of Week 4, although some students will catch up aspects of NAPLAN over the course of Week 5. This is another large logistical undertaking that requires careful planning and monitoring throughout. I would like to thank and recognise Mrs Critchley as the NAPLAN Coordinator, who was ably assisted by Mr Dacey and Mr Brooks. Students in Years 7 and 9 coped well with NAPLAN this year. Schools use the data gathered from NAPLAN to identify strengths and areas for further development for the cohorts involved, with many of these activities helping to inform our Strategic Improvement Plan.

### **SENIOR INFORMATION NIGHT – TUESDAY 18 MAY**

The Quakers Hill High School Senior Information Night will take place on Tuesday 18 May. This will be a great opportunity for parents and students to ask questions about the curriculum on offer at QHHS for senior students in 2022. This event had to be converted to a Zoom meeting in 2020 due to Covid 19 restrictions, so we look forward to it being an in person event this year.

Students will be given access to the Stage 6 Subject Selection Hub very soon, which contains additional resources such as videos on courses, flyers, and a video providing advice on course selection amongst other things. This comes in the form of a website, constructed by Mr Head.

### **YEAR 8 CAMP**

In the last issue of Contact we made mention of the fact that Year 8 families were being surveyed to determine the level of interest in a Year 8 Camp later in Term 4. Unfortunately, there were insufficient numbers wanting to attend. Therefore we will not be running the Year 8 Camp this year.

### **COVID 19**

For the latest information on Covid 19 restrictions and schools, please use the following web link: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families>

### **SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDER**

As we enter the cooler months, it is vital that all students follow the school uniform policy. The school sports uniform (especially items such as school tracksuit pants) is only to be worn on Wednesdays or during practical PDHPE activities. Tracksuit pants are not a part of the school uniform, other than the school sports tracksuit pants as mentioned above. Long school pants for both boys and girls can be purchased from the uniform shop on Monday mornings 8:10am-9:30am or on Wednesday afternoons from 2:45pm-3:45pm.

## **SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES**

From Week 5 we will resume our normal school assemblies each Monday. This will be a significant and positive step following the examination period and the fact that Covid 19 restrictions now allow it. All students are encouraged to hand in their merit awards so that they can progress through the awards system.

## **UNIFORM SHOP**

Uniform ordering—if you cannot make Monday mornings or Wednesday afternoons, there are other ways to order your uniform. Leave your order form and cash or card details at the school office. Your order will be processed on the next Monday and left back at the office for collection.

Send your order via email to: [quakershillhighschool-uni@pandcaffiliate.org.au](mailto:quakershillhighschool-uni@pandcaffiliate.org.au). You can scan through the order form (available on the school website and at the school office), add your card details or pay online into the P&C account. Once funds are cleared, your order will be processed on the next Monday and left at the office for collection.

Bank details:

Quakers Hill High School P&C Association

BSB: 062-425

Account No: 010014308

Reference: (your surname)

If you are unsure of your size, you are best to come into the shop. You are able to return or exchange sizes as long as the swing tag is attached and you have a copy of your receipt.

**Regards, Linda (QHHS Uniform Shop Manager)**

## **TERM 2 LIBRARY EVENTS CALENDAR**

As part of the Library's 'Term 2 Events Calendar' we will be conducting the following activities:

- Morning Trivia – Weekly: Tuesday/Thursday/Friday
- A Jar of Positivity – A Creative Opportunity to Spread the Love – Tuesday Lunch Week 5
- A Literary Lunch – A wonderfully retro opportunity to be read to – Weekly: Friday Lunch Week 5-9
- Pinata Mayhem – Have a cracking good time – Tuesday Recess Week 6
- Wii Battle – Super Mario Brothers – Thursday Lunch Week 6
- Year 7 & 8 Chess Knockout – Tuesday Recess & Lunch Week 7
- Year 9, 10 & 11 Chess Knockout – Thursday Recess & Lunch Week 7
- The QHHS Egg Festival – Embark on a fast-paced egg-tastic quest to win mini challenges, collect egg tokens & redeem them for cold hard chocolate delights – Tuesday Recess Week 8
- Minecraft Build Battle Challenge – Thursday Week 8
- Stop motion Animation Workshop – Tuesday Recess & Period 3 Week 9