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This week was a short one, and next week is as well. I have been off campus at a very interesting conference, and Chipso has been filling in for me. We have such an amazing team of staff and students that all support the school no matter what.

Last Friday, we had a special ANZAC Day Parade in order to remember and show respect to those who have lost lives and loved ones in order for us to live as freely as we do. Tesarna did a fantastic job standing up in front of everyone presenting the Acknowledgement of Country, and Kira also did an amazing job leading the rest of the ceremony. All staff were very impressed with the show of respect made by all students throughout the anthems and the minute's silence. Thank you to our young people for being mature enough to stop and take that time to remember those who have given so much and to reflect on how lucky we are to have our way of life.

Naomi Vucas
PRINCIPAL

Timetable

Training Days v Curriculum Days

ALL vocational training courses are somewhat different to our curriculum school days. The rules of the school and the supervision of the school do not apply. The training organisation of the course will enforce their expectations (including Skill360); the expectations of the RTO are that students are able independently and responsibly manage their time, behaviours and emotions. This means that they do not supervise during break times. From now on, the school will monitor attendance and call home if a student has been sent out by the trainers for the day because of behaviour, but we do not directly supervise at breaks. School uniform is not to be worn on training days, but it must be worn on curriculum days to allow us to differentiate between the students.

Engineering

We are looking to start an engineering course in Term Two. If your young person is keen to join this course, please let Naomi know.

Assessment News

This Term is an important one for year 12s as they will sit their Common Internal Assessment (CIA) for Essential English (Week 4) and Essential Mathematics (Week 6). As the assessment is set by QCAA and undertaken state-wide, the period of assessment is fixed and there is no flexibility around the timelines. It is imperative that all students are present on the assessment days. If students have valid medical documentation after missing the assessment, we must request for QCAA to send a comparable assessment and affected students sit this at a

later arranged date. Such students still must meet the timelines for the rest of assessment for this year with their cohort.

Find attached the Term 2 assessment calendars for Year 11 and Year 12. Parents need to contact the school as soon as possible if there is any reason why students cannot attend assessment sessions.

Elective Session

We now have a QCAA Career Course running as part of our elective hour. The cooking group made ice-cream bread with Toni and have now been tasked to ensure the kitchen is clean at the end of each day. Steph's well-being group enjoyed some intense meditation in a calm and quiet space. We also have a sport group, computer skills group and an art group. In week 6, the groups will rotate to a new activity.

Ability Psychologists

Clare has booked students in for the psychologist appointments next week. If you have any questions, please contact her or Marney. Clare can help with any questions about times and consent forms.

Apprenticeship/ Traineeship Opportunities

- 2 opportunities for an Apprentice Carpenter and Apprentice Builder – a driver's licence is required.

See Andrew or email andrew.chatfield@busyschools.com.au if you are interested in applying or would like further information.

Good News Stories



Bill will be competing work experience at Norweld over the next 5 weeks learning about metal fabrication. Bill is a Year 11 student and currently studying Engineering Pathways at TAFE. We wish Bill all the best!



Liam has been selected into the Cairns Academy of Sport Rugby League program where he will be completing a Certificate III in Sport and Recreation along with training with the Northern Pride Academy team. Liam has taken his love of league and made it a career pathway – congratulations Liam!

Staff Contacts

The current contacts for staff are below. There will be some changes in the next few weeks, but we will keep this updated.

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