

BUSY SCHOOLS NEWS

Term 2, Week 7

Friday 4 June 2021

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It has been such a fantastic year at BUSY Schools! The students have grown in so many ways – emotionally and academically. I want to congratulate them all on their outstanding effort and results up to this point. I would also like to thank all the people that support our young people in their education and general development of employability skills.

We have three weeks to go of this term – 6 school-based days! School work and school expectations continue right until 3pm on the last day, so please encourage your person to persevere through everything and attend.

Naomi Vucas
PRINCIPAL

NAIDOC Excursion

NAIDOC Week is coming up in the holidays, and we wanted to celebrate the importance of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures. We have organized for the students to get the bus up to Rainforestation on Tuesday 22nd June 2021. This is not a school day for some students, but they are strongly encouraged to attend and enjoy the day with their peers. Relevant communications are attached and must be returned by **Monday 14th June, 2021**. There is no cost to students to attend this excursion.

Timetable

Engineering

We are looking to start an engineering course once a trainer has been employed with MAJOR Training. If your young person is keen to join this course, please let Naomi or Clare know. As the course is starting late, they may be required to do some block work or holiday course days.

Business

If your young person is interested in enrolling into a Certificate II Business, please advise Naomi or Clare.

TAFE Courses

We have attached information about 2022 TAFE courses for our Year 11 students or repeating Year 12 students. Please start having discussion about which course you are interested in. We will be applying August 16 as soon as the applications open. Courses fill fast so please make sure your young person has taken the time to decide on a course preference.

Attendance

Our fantastic and super friendly Clare spends most of her day calling people to chase up our attendance roll. **If your young person is not coming to school, we urge you to email, text or call us to let us know.** This will free up so much of Clare's day for her to get through the rest of her workload 😊. She enjoys talking to you all, so please give her a call and let her know what's happening. Her number is 0419 717 805 or 4058 4792.

Year 12 Assessment News

Year 12 students are currently working on Health Infographics in Social Community Studies. Feel free to check in with teachers to see how your young person is doing.

Year 11 Assessment News

There have been some excellent outcomes for the Year 11 students who have completed their assessment to date. Poor attendance is the major contributing factor to students who have not achieved a satisfactory result. Afternoon sessions can be used to catch up on work and students can utilise extra days at school if they require the resources. Year 11 teachers are doing everything they can to assist students in catching up on assessment. They cannot always focus on catching up students who have a significantly low attendance rate as they must progress the students who are at school every day. Please encourage your young person to make the most of class time and any opportunities for extra help. Those who do not satisfactorily pass will be required to repeat Year 11 or work on Year 11 at the same time as Year 12 in 2022. This may be the only way for them to attain their QCE.

Art Donations

If anyone has old jeans and nail polish, we would really appreciate if you would donate them to the school for our art group. They will be repurposing them and creating a new masterpiece.



All items brought in can be left with Clare at the front counter.
Email Toni for more information.

Parent/Student Feedback

At BUSY Schools we want everyone to have a voice! We want to hear any compliments and/or concerns. The best way for feedback to be effective is to pass it through the most relevant channels. If you have anything you need to express, you could:

- Approach the relevant people directly and have a respectful conversation to resolve the incident.
- Approach Naomi to discuss the issue, and/or
- Report the feedback on the BUSY Schools Website:
<https://www.busyschools.qld.edu.au/busy-schools-feedback/>

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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