

BUSY SCHOOLS NEWS

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Assessment is in full swing at the moment with all students working hard in all classes. Teachers have made a lot of positive comments about your young people this week. It has been great to see many of the people starting to accept help from the staff at the school and to see that our school is a caring and supportive place.

Thank you to all of the staff, families, carers and other stakeholders for their hard work and willingness to support each other so that we can create successful outcomes for our students. It is greatly appreciated by all of us.

Naomi Vucas

PRINCIPAL

Cert II Workplace Skills and Cert I Construction

Cert II Works Skills started this week for all students that were enrolled into the course. They have a firm three strike system whereby students will be given two warnings around behaviours and attendance and then the third time, the student will be removed from the course. This course is worth 4 QCE credits in the core category.

Cert I Construction will start Thursday 17th March. Students will need to wear steel capped boots. Please let Clare or Naomi know if you need any assistance in organizing that. This course is worth 3 QCE credits.

Attendance

Many students are absent for all or part of the school days. While we attempt to support and catch students up, the absences create a high level of anxiety in students as they are often left behind. Non-attendance can impact academic outcomes and employment outcomes. Where possible, please ensure your young person is at school every day.

Assessment and Academic News

Year 12 Assessment

Year 12 English assessment for this unit should have been completed this week. Students who have not submitted assessment and do not have evidence of illness or misadventure are at risk of achieving an NR which will impact significantly on whether they can achieve their QCE. Year 12 Maths assessment is due next week and the Social Community Exam is in Week 9. Students have been preparing for the exam, and those that have low attendance need to start attending to prepare for this exam.

Year 11 Assessment

Year 11 English and Social Community Studies drafts are due next week. All Year 11 students also have a Maths exam next week. They will spend Monday/Wednesday preparing for the exams.

Excursion – Cairns Zoom and Wildlife Dome

The students will be attending a teambuilding day at Cairns Zoom and Wildlife Dome in the last week of school. Permission and health forms have been handed out. You will also find a copy attached to this newsletter. Students will find their own way to the Dome. Morning and afternoon school buses have been redirected to drop off and pick up from there. BUSY pick-ups will also be redirected to the Dome. If there are any issues with travel, please let Clare know so we can assist with arrangements. We look forward to a fun filled day of building a team culture.

Employment Pathway Officer Update (Amba and Amanda)

CQU - Uni Experience Day!!!

Experience a day in the life of a uni student, try out some of our courses, and meet students from other schools who have the same interests as you.

CQUiversity Cairns University Experience Thursday, 17 March 2022, 9 am – 2 pm Cost: Free

Queensland Construction White Card – Expression of Interest

We are wanting to see if any of our students are wanting to gain their Construction White Card if they haven't already done so.

Certificate II Courses on Offer

BUSY Schools has two courses on offer that would be carried out over this year with face-to-face training for students. We have a **Certificate II in Food Processing** that will help students gain accredited qualifications and practical skills that will assist them to get started in the Hospitality/Food Processing industry such as Process Supervisor or Dairy Worker. We also have a **Certificate II in Supply Chain Operations** that will give students an informative and practical learning with topics relevant to current trends, including; RF scanners, stock control, manual handling, safety.

Come 'N' Try Day – Tourism and Hospitality Industries – 30th March 2022

BUSY Schools has 5 spaces available for the annual The Queensland Tourism Industry Council's Come 'N' Try Day. This event is a unique, fun and interactive day that allows senior students to try various tourism and hospitality activities. Students will be able to connect with the industry and learn about the different career pathways. The Regional Tourism Career Roadshow is designed to promote future careers within the Tourism and Hospitality Industry by providing participants with authentic and localised insight into the sector.

EVENT Cinemas – School Based Traineeships!!

Exciting School Based Traineeship opportunities are available NOW with Events Cinemas. During this 12 month traineeship, students will gain valuable exposure to potential careers and develop workplace skills, knowledge, confidence, and a competitive edge, when applying for jobs or undertaking further study.

School Based Traineeships provide an opportunity for students in Years 10 and 11 to undertake employment-based training while continuing full-time enrolment in a school program and studying towards a Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE).

Start something big: Hastings Deering opens 2023 apprenticeships

The equipment we stand for powers the world. Big companies, big economies and big goals come with big challenges... and big opportunities. Come stand with us, one of the worlds largest Cat dealers. We will be looking for passionate, curious and motivated Apprentices to start their careers with us in 2023. Applications open for Hastings Deering [2023 apprenticeship intake](#) in early May 2022 and are calling on would-be full time [apprentices](#) to 'start something big' with numerous positions to apply for. There are five trades on offer across nine Hastings Deering [workshops](#) including Brisbane, Toowoomba, Mackay, Rockhampton, Townsville, Cairns, Mt Isa, Darwin and Alice Springs.

Apprenticeships On Offer:

Engine Reconditioner
Auto Electrician
Boilermaker
Diesel Fitter
Mechanical Fitter

Applicants should also be sure to share what life experiences such as extra-curricular activities, sports or helping out a local charity. All of these things talk to us about your skills: holding down a part time job while at school shows you can multi-task and even being in a charity fun run shows community spirit – attributes all important for future employees. As a minimum we do require recent school leavers (within the last 5 years) to have completed year 12 and have achieved sound achievements in Maths and English. You will be asked to provide evidence of your school results when completing your application.

If you have any questions regarding the above course/ events, please speak to Amba or Amanda.

Feedback Process

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 it 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/>

BUSY Schools Values

INCLUSIVITY

People of all communities coming as one team for common goals.

EXCELLENCE

We always strive to exceed.

RESILIENCE

Equipped to meet challenges and excel.

INTEGRITY

We act with honesty and sincerity.

INNOVATION

Embracing new ideas and technology to stay ahead of change.

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