

The BUSY Schools Salisbury Newsletter

Term 4, Week 6

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Attendance

It's important that your young person attends every day of their school program. All absences for attending school, training, work experience and school-based apprenticeships or traineeships are to be notified to the school via Reception 3440 4271 or salisbury@busyschools.com.au or on the Compass app. A phone message can be left at any time.

Feedback Process

At The BUSY Schools we want everyone to have a voice! We are keen to hear your feedback whether it is positive or a concern. The best way for feedback to be effective is to pass it through the most relevant channels. If you would like to share feedback with us, you can:

- Approach the relevant people directly and have a respectful conversation
- Approach Ingrid to discuss the issue
- <u>ngrid.Rucinski@busyschools.com.au</u>
- Report the feedback on the BUSY Schools Website:

usy-schools-feedback/



Friday 10 November, 2023

My friend, I need you.
Please take me by the hand.
Stand by me in my hour of need,
Take time to understand.

Chase away my doubts and fears, Wipe the tears from my face. Friend, I cannot stand alone. I need your hand to hold,

In a world that's grown so cold. Please be a friend to me And hold me day by day. I know I'll find the way.

Becky Tucker

As a staff we have been discussing just how raw and powerful some of the Year 11 biographies are. It highlights the importance of community, how it unites us and how much we need each other for support and connection. Be it friends, youth workers, teachers, relatives, or the wider community, we need people as a support network at different points of our lives. Being part of a community can make us feel part of something greater than ourselves, give us a sense of purpose, make us feel safe and secure emotionally and physically.

I was very grateful this last week to welcome a parent who offered to do face painting for Halloween, this was very well received, and we hope more parents will come along to participate in activities on campus.







For Year 12 we genuinely want you to keep in touch with us, you will soon be Alumni (people that have completed their studies). So please let us know how to contact you so we can have a reunion next year, the staff care about you and want to know how you are, what you are doing and what your future holds. You will also receive a survey from the Government so keep an eye out for that too.

Ingrid Rucinski Campus Principal



I'm Sally Avis, teacher of English and Social & Community Studies and trainer of Certificate II in Self-awareness and Development. BUSY School Salisbury has been my home since its opening in May 2021. Working at BUSY is amazing; helping young people feel strong and worthy, finish their education and know they have options is the best job in the world.

I have only been teaching in high schools for five years but have been in teaching and education roles for much of my professional life. Previous to BUSY I worked at a public high school but knew working with young people who needed extra support was my destination.

Before teaching I worked for Australian Border Force for 15 years, in a variety of positions, helping defend our borders from illegal imports and facilitation of movement of people across our borders. I trained new recruits toward the end of my career and it concreted my love for teaching others.

I always tell our young people variety is the spice of life and after also having had careers in travel consultancy, gym and aerobics, restaurants, cafes and bars, I am living proof!

Outside of work I am a Mum to two teens and we are fully embedded in the football (the round ball) community and love beach holidays when time allows, where you'll find me in the shade reading yet another murder-mystery.

Year 12 Essential English

Wow, what a big week it has been marking short stories, moderating assessment, and finalising student results across the year. On behalf of Alison, Sally and myself, we are so pleased with the students' short story submissions, we had such a range of topics, they were an absolute joy to read and a great way to finish the year. The stories also contained a wide range of language features and text structures to entertain and engage the audience. It's been a big year, but I can't wait to do it all over again next year. In closing, I think a Dr Seuss quote of most appropriate.

"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose."

Year 11 Essential English

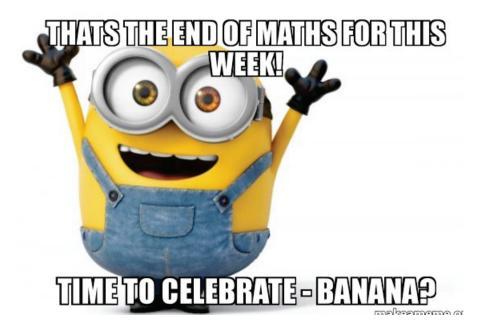
It has been a very busy week for students in Essential English. This week students have been responding to the given feedback on their draft for their autobiographical or biographical response and while the due date for the final copy is officially the end of the second lesson in week 7 some students have in fact submitted their final this week ahead of time. It is always interesting and a privilege at this time of the year to read the varied and interesting life experiences of our students in their autobiographies or to appreciate the persons our students regard as personal heroes when writing a biography instead.

Please contact Alison or Paddy if you have any questions. alison.pattinson@busyschools.qld.edu.au patrick.mchugh.@busyschools.qld.edu.au





And so it is over for 2023. The maths exam occurred in week 5 with outstanding results. From group 1: 90% achieved a C or better with 74 percent a B or better!!!!! From group 2: 91% achieved a C or better with 64 percent a B or better!!!!!
Till next year!



Can you please add: the word Year next to the week? If your'e not sure what I mean please see me DD

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Year 11 Essential Math Last week of revisions and then Exam week

Almost the end of the year. Last couple of weeks of revisions, practice exams and many students are showing great intent and working hard. Quietly confident that students will do well and have good results to finish the year on a good note.

Hope it's not like Mr. Beans here...



That's a wrap folks! With the completion of exams work is officially completed for 2023. I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate the students for their dedication and hard work that has been reflected in the amazing results achieved by many. Congratulations on finishing your schooling and we wish you the best as you move forward in to the next exciting phase of life.

Year 11 Social and Community Studies

As we near the end of our Year 11 journey, I would like to express my gratitude to all the young people (and their families) for the wonderful experiences of 2023. With exams next week and our awards ceremony the week after, it's going to be a busy (pardon the pun) end of term. Next year holds lots of exciting things for your wonderful young people and I am looking forward to being part of it.

12F update



Wow! What a ride! 2023 in Certificate II in Self-awareness and Development has been an incredible learning experience for the class and for me, as this was the inaugural course for Salisbury. A massive congratulations to all the particpants, who completed a number of units. We celebrated last week with a Pizza Party and Ingrid presented certificates of attainment to those present. I am super proud of these young people and the effort they put in to get their results. Go team!





12F Careers Education

It is wonderful to look forward to the celebration this week to mark the end of formal schooling for the students in Year 12. How quickly this year has seemed to go! Before leaving this week the students in Careers Education handed in their final assessment item which is a written report investigating two possible career options. Additionally, students submitted a learning journal reflecting on their learning experience. I wish the students all the very best in achieving their future career goals.

Employment Pathways Officer Update

This week the focus has been on ensuring everyone that is on a traineeship has had their hours logged and recorded with the Department of Training. Make sure you keep payslips or other records of how many hours you have worked as this can also gain you QCE points.

Did you know your part-time job could offer a traineeship? This is another great way to get a qualification whilst getting paid, the best of both worlds. If you are unsure if your workplace could offer this, come and chat to Sharnae and Hayden in the Industry Office.

Learning Support Update

We have had a fantastic few weeks with our students, as you can see from the Maths and SCS updates, that last minute study really helped the year 12s achieve great results. It has been the year 11's turn this week and I am confident that they will all achieve great results in their exams next week.

Karly Handley

Learning Support Teacher

Youth Worker Shout Out

As the year is coming to an end our young people have been BUSY and working hard to be prepared for their exams and assessments. Along the way we have had some fun times on campus the past few weeks such as V8 Super Cars for the Yr11s, Halloween fun with face painting and decorating cookies, a water balloon fight and of course getting ready for graduation and formal. This week Thursday we will be celebrating the massive achievement and success of our amazing Yr12s at graduation. We have been so lucky at the Salisbury campus to have spent the last two years working alongside our young people. We wish our Yr12s all the best for the future in all that they do. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions Alaka 0448 808 698 Alaka.Beri@busyschools.com.au Craig Craig.Hardy@busyschools.com.au 0436 613 834.





