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P & C Meeting every 3rd Monday evening of the month at 5:30pm, everyone most welcome.

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www.beenleiqshs.eq.edu.au

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info@beenleiqshs.eq.edu.au

Hard copies of the newsletter are available from the office.

Timetables - Students and Parents can assess and print up their timetable on their One School page.

Opening times for Student Payments 8:30am – 2:00pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, closed Tuesdays.

Uniform Shop open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8am – 9am

SCHOOL LEADERS 2015

Captain: Vaiola Mataituu

Captain: Matthew Canafe

Vice-Captain: Hayden Scudds

Vice-Captain: Chloe Squires

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT.....Welcome back to BeenleighSHS for 2016 and I hope you all enjoyed a nice break. I spent time with my family at home and went for a road trip around the Great Ocean Road which I found generally relaxing allowing me to just take it pretty easy. I hope many of you were able to do likewise.

It is an especially big welcome to our new year 7, as they enter high school. This is the second year of Education Queensland's Flying Start program and our new students have settled in really well. I assure parents that our year 7 teachers are the equal of any school in the state. We also welcome many new families to our school community. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need any help. It was also great to see most of our students in full uniform.

All staff participated in a program of activities during the student free days before school started looking at many ways in which we can improve on our performance. Sessions were run on a range of topics and staff enjoyed the program. We are looking to enhance outcomes for all of our students. This year the school is participating in a program with the University of Melbourne. I will keep you posted on the progress of this development.

Our OP results were satisfactory with over 40% of our students achieving an OP of 15 or better. Most of our students received positions in the university course of their choice. Our Dux of 2015 Lycharne Parkinson received an OP of 4, as did Brooke Arps. Well done girls! Many of our students performed well whilst others are in apprenticeships and the like. This is pleasing and the preparation of our 2016 seniors will start almost straight away. I put to staff the importance of a good relationship between parents and staff to the benefit of their children. I hope that in 2016 we can build a strong relationship so that our parent body can assist in the education of our children.

I urged staff to promote a positive attitude and energy into their classrooms because students do respond to teachers who enjoy their work. Likewise I encourage our students that not only should they commit to the best school work that they can do, but that they should also commit to behavioural accountability which includes high standards in appearance and personal behaviour and respect for our community and the broad range of activities that we engage in.

Can I also welcome the new staff to Beenleigh SHS in 2016 as follows:

Regards

Mr Matt O'Hanlon

Principal

5 February, 2016

SCHOOL CONTACTS

School Based Nurse
3442 3732

Youth Support Officers
34423717

School Based Police Officer
3442 3794

Guidance Officer
3442 3704

Chaplain
3442 3718

Careers Support
3442 3716

Eagleby Learning Centre
3382 9222

Uniform Shop
3442 3745

Tuckshop
3442 3738

Student Payments
3442 3741

Student Leaders & Administrative Staff At Beenleigh State High School 2016



WELCOME TO NEW STAFF AT BEENLEIGH STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Brittany Kennedy	Special Education Teacher
Barbara Martin	Guidance Officer
Ben Emery	Science, Maths & Business Teacher
Kelsea Thompson	Science & Maths Teacher
Jake Whittle	Agriculture, HPE Teacher & Rugby League Coach
Thom Faleolo	Humanities, Science & Relief Teacher
Tanya Falkenhagen	Agriculture Assistant
Trischaye Newchurch	Community Education Counsellor

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF AT BEENLEIGH STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Principal	Mr Matt O'Hanlon	Deputy Principal year 9 & 12	Mrs Donna Harvey
Deputy Principal Years 7 & 10	Mr George Bartlett	Deputy Principal Years 8 & 11	Mr Justin Howe
Head of Special Education Services	Mr Ravin Ramasar	Business Service Manager	Ms Christine McCarthy
Staff Mentor	Mrs Allanah Cameron	Head of Department – English	Ms Jo Morris
Head of Department – Engagement	Mr Damien Ricketts	Head of Department – Humanities	Mr Andrew Griffin
Head of Department – Senior Schooling/VET & Industrial Technology	Mr Brenden McDonough	Head of Department – Mathematics	Mrs Grace Ham
Head of Department – Agricultural Science	Mr Rob Nowlan	Head of Department – Junior Secondary	Mr Silas Middleton
Head of Department – Teaching & Learning/The Arts, Aboriginal & Torres Strait Program, Learning Support & ESL & E-Learning Centre	Mrs Brenda Little	Head of Department – Science	Mr Chris Meagher
Head of Department – IT/Business & Home Economics	Ms Chanelle Jolly	Head of Department – HPE & Sports Co-ordinator	Mr Eric Massey
Year Level Co-ordinator – Years 11 & 12	Mrs Lisa Voight	Year Level Co-ordinator – Year 10	Mrs Kelly Wonnacott-Wakeham
Year Level Co-ordinator – Year 9	Mr Tyrone Girle	Year Level Co-ordinator – Year 8	Mr Ben Peardon
Year Level Co-ordinator – Year 7	Ms SJ Currie	Indigenous Education Teacher	Mr Dustin Stewart
Behaviour Advisory Teacher	Mr Pete Townsend	Truancy Officer	Mr Barney Carberry
Youth Support Officer	Mr Chris Carberry	Career Support Officer	Mrs Kirsty Saunders
School Nurse	Ms Donna Hoolihan	Youth Health Nurse	Ms Sam Smith

2015 School Leaders

As year 12 coordinator I had the privilege of working with our 2015 school leaders. It was a pleasure to work alongside this amazing group who displayed excellent teamwork, drive and passion not only towards their school work but also their school.

I would like to congratulate the student leaders of 2015, what a great team of leaders. We wish you all the best in your future years.

Mrs Voight – Year 12 Coordinator



Calendar of Events

Date	Event
8 February	Swimming Carnival
9 February	Year 7 Leadership date
15 February	District Swimming Carnival
16 February	Interschool Sports Round 1 - Juniors
18 – 19 February	Brahmousin Camp
23 February	School Photos
24 February	Interschool Sports Round 1 - Seniors
24 February	Junior Masterchef

Student Payments

Payment can be made via cash, eftpos or bank transfer.

BEENLEIGH STATE HIGH SCHOOL BANK DETAILS

Account Name: Beenleigh SHS General A/C BSB: 064 401

Account Number: 0090 1289 DETAIL: (Place students name)

To organize a payment plan please contact the payment window on 3442 3741.

Parents/carers on a pre-arranged payment plan with the school may continue to do so.

This year Beenleigh High School is once again offering a discount on Student Resources for 2016. Take advantage of the Early Payment Offer and receive a \$30 discount on your student's resource levy when the amount is fully paid by the end of Term 1.

The Payment Window operating hours are:- Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Fridays from 8:15am – 2:00pm **CLOSED TUESDAYS!**

Take-Home Laptop Program

2016 Technology Device options

Option 1: BYOD (Bring your own device) is the preferred option so that students gain increased knowledge of using their device. They are able to connect to the EQ network to gain access to a select range of Internet sites.

Option 2: Daily loan is available to students who do not have a device. They can collect a device from the E-learning centre between 8-9am and return it by 3pm the same day. There is no cost for this option.

Every student must complete a RUP (Responsible Use Policy) and a Technology Option form.

By Ms Jolly – HOD IT/Business & Home Economics



Rugby League Academy

Welcome to the Beenleigh SHS Rugby League Academy for 2016. Your son will be receiving a welcome letter to take home that has all the details for the year including the medical consent form. We will be having our annual LAUNCH EVENING on Tuesday February 16th at the E-Learning Centre. All welcome.

Do you want \$150 to help with sport costs?

The state government has opened the Get Set funding grants. This allows you to apply for a \$150 voucher for your child to join a club. If you would like some assistance with applying, we will be holding a session between 3-4pm on TUESDAY FEBRUARY 2ND AT THE E-Learning Centre.

Find us on FACEBOOK

This year we will be sharing lots of rugby league news on our very own Facebook page. You find a link through the Beenleigh SHS page. Just like us and you will receive posts, updates and photos so you can see what your child is up to (NB: please do not contact coaches through Facebook – please use their EQ email addresses).

Rabbitohs at Beenleigh SHS

Also over the holidays, Beenleigh SHS hosted The South Sydney Rabbitohs Development Camp. Souths selected 20 young men from across south east Queensland to participate in a 3 day camp. Four students from our Rugby League Academy participated in the camp; Reef Tangata, Zavier Olsen, David Quinlan and Jason Sadler. They all represented the school with pride and competed admirably. The Rabbitohs coaches were very impressed with them and thankful for the support of our school.

Bunning's fundraiser

Over the Christmas break, a few of our dedicated coaches gave up time away from their families to raise money for the Rugby League Academy through a Bunnings BBQ. Mr Mackney, Mr Townsend, Mr Smith, Mr Way & Mr Harreman all gave a hand to raise \$500 to support your child.

Coaching Staff for 2016

Year 7	Sam Harreman & Pete Townsend
Year 8	Damien Ricketts & Jesse way
Year 9	James Mackney
Year 10	Jake Whittle & Tyrone Girle
Year 11 & 12	Dustin Stewart & Cade Smith

By Mr Damien Ricketts HOD – Engagement

Transdev School Bus Information

Transdev Queensland School bus route changes for 2016. Information on 2016 school services including full route descriptions and information on timing points will be available on the website: <http://www.transdevqld.com.au/> from 5 January 2016, or on the Translink Journey Planner <http://jp.translink.com.au/travel-information/journey-planner> closer to commencement of the school term. Transdev Queensland looks forward continuing to providing you with safe and reliable school services. Should you require any further information please contact Transdev 3248 6100, Translink on 13 1230.

Community Notices

Do you know someone with an intellectual disability or ASD who is 8 years or older and would enjoy participating in sports training and competition?

Special Olympics provides regular sports training and competition for athletes (8 years and older) who have an intellectual disability and/or ASD. The Special Olympics Logan Allstars Club was established in 2013 and now has sports programs in aquatics, basketball, futsal and tenpin bowling in the Logan area. As membership grows, new sports will be added to the offerings. An information evening is being held for all interested athletes, coaches, families and carers on Monday 15th February at 7pm at Logan Metro InSports (357 Browns Plains Rd, Crestmead). You will have the opportunity to learn more about Special Olympics and hear from current athletes and coaches.



Special Olympics
Australia

Please register your interest in attending the information evening by email at info@soqlogan.com or contact our club registrar, Joy Gavin on 3208 0174.

Yarning about ARTIE

Term 4 caps off another successful year for ARTIE (Achieving results through Indigenous Education) here at Beenleigh State High School. Term 4 has seen some exciting new developments for the ARTIE Academy with a number of new and exciting changes, as well as the continuation of our regular University of Queensland tutoring and the annual ARTIE Beetson Fun Day.



Term 4 has seen the ARTIE Academy establish a new partnership with the Brisbane Broncos. In an effort to continue their commitment and long standing legacy to improving outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, the Brisbane Broncos has extended its program to include Beenleigh State High School. This year, Beenleigh State High School will have the pleasure of welcoming Jharal Yow Yeh from the Brisbane Broncos as a permanent feature at the school. Jharal will be at Beenleigh once a week as he mentors the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in Year 10, 11 and 12 at the school. This new partnership will only further allow both organisations to further develop its commitment to young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Early in the term, ARTIE hosted its Term 4 Yarn out. A Yarn out is an event where we invite the Mibunn Jinndi students to come together to have a yarn and also experience and learn about culture. Also, at this event, students' attendance goals were again reiterated - students for Semester 2 would be rewarded for achieving 90% physical attendance at school. Those students who could achieve this goal were rewarded with an ARTIE towel and a pair of ARTIE sunglasses.

In other news, at the end of the year, the ARTIE-Broncos team hosted the annual ARTIE Beetson Fun Day at White Water World. Students had to achieve 90% Physical Attendance over the term and were rewarded with an invite to the ARTIE Beetson Fun Day and also an ARTIE Bucket Hat. Congratulations to the students from Beenleigh State High School who achieved their Term 3 ARTIE Academy Challenge goal.

Finally, I'd like to congratulate the year 12 students and wish them luck for the future. It is important to acknowledge that you are the positive examples of what Arthur Beetson wanted to see for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Also, the ARTIE Academy would again like to extend its thanks to the staff at Beenleigh State High School for its ongoing support to help to improve outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders. Looking ahead to 2016, our new partnership with the Brisbane Broncos presents some great opportunities for the ARTIE Academy that will only continue to help us strive to improve attendance and encourage positive school engagement for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students at Beenleigh State High School.



Teacher Survey <https://surveyplanet.com/5643f2fe74c92a0e141efa55>
Parent survey <https://surveyplanet.com/564d43e87ad8364b5bb1dafa>

By Hamish McLoughlin- ARTIE Schools Coordinator

Year 7 & 8 Student Immunisations

As part of Queensland Health's School Immunisation Program, all Year 7 & 8 students will be offered free vaccinations at school. Detailed information is attached to the consent forms which were distributed on 2 February, 2016. Please note that no student will be vaccinated without parental consent. For more information, call HEALTH (13432584) or Logan City Council 34125397.



By Ms SJ Currie – Year 7 Co-ordinator

Drones For Data Collection

University of Queensland: Gatton campus, Drones in Agriculture visit

Late term 4 2015, two grade eleven students, Matthew Canafe and myself, had the opportunity to visit the University of Queensland Gatton campus to speak with the Dean of the university along with one of the PHD students at the campus.

Students had the opportunity to discuss the future of drones and their use for data collection in the agricultural industry. They also got to have a little fun flying some of the university drones, showing some impressive piloting skills.

“We discussed the relationship between people and automated systems and the critical importance of open-source development. The researchers there are striving to improve the lives of people through automation of farms, and through the sensor network an abundance of important information about the environment and animals living in said environment will be made available to all. The availability of such rich data will result more realistic lesson plans for those studying biological sciences and by modelling the patterns they will be able to create highly accurate models of development of farm animals in a specific environment. It is an area of technology that is still to be tapped into and the potential for innovation is limitless.”

By Matheus Saar - Year 12 Student

Year 12 Orientation Day

Wednesday 27th January started with our annual grade 12 Orientation day.

It was a full house at the PCYC hall with approximately 160 grade 12 students and their pathway teachers, involved in an all-day Leadership Program.

Students partook in leadership workshops, assessment reflection and teamwork games and activities. It was a very successful day with everyone enjoying themselves. Students left the day understanding the value of resilience, goal setting and working towards a vision statement they can action and leave behind as part of their 2016 senior leadership legacy. I would like to thank the grade 12 cohort for their hard work and excellent behaviour, plus the leadership teachers and support staff who assisted throughout the day. I look forward to our year ahead!



By Mrs Lisa Voight - Year 12 Coordinator

Music News

Instrumental Music & Vocal Group

Welcome back to what is shaping up to be another wonderful year in Music! An extra special welcome to all of our new students and parents as well. Please feel free to contact myself or the other Music staff anytime via email - anieu6@eq.edu.au - or via phone - 3442 3771 (email is preferred method of contact). Students who signed up to learn an instrument should have now received timetables and loan forms - please come and see Ms Nieuwenburg in the Music Block if you have not received yours yet. 2016 rehearsals and lessons will begin in Week 3 as follows:

Concert Band	Tuesday mornings 8am	Mr Farmer
String Ensemble	Wednesday mornings 8am	Ms Mclennan
String Lessons	Wednesdays	Ms Mclennan
Vocal Group	Wednesdays First Break	Mr Farmer
Symphonic Band	Wednesdays 3pm-4pm	Ms Nieuwenburg
Percussion Ensemble	Fridays 8am	Mr Farmer
Brass, Woodwind & Percussion Lessons	Fridays	Mr Farmer

Any students still wishing to sign up for our Instrumental Music Program and/or Vocal Group can do so by speaking to Ms Nieuwenburg in the Music Block.

Year 7 & 8 Music Academy

Music Academy will begin in Week 3. Timetables and Out of Class passes have now been issued. Please come and see Ms Nieuwenburg if you have yet to receive yours.

Year 7 Music Academy lessons will occur on Mondays

Year 8 Music Academy lessons will occur on Thursdays

Students will attend Music Academy for a full period once a week on a rotating timetable. Out of class passes need to be shown to the relevant teacher at the start of the lesson before coming to the Music Block for Music Academy. A reminder that all vocalists will be expected to join our Vocal Group (rehearsals are Wednesdays at First Break)

By Ms Nieuwenburg – Music Teacher

School Attendance

ATTENDANCE – EVERY DAY COUNT BEENLEIGH SHS 2016 ATTENDANCE TARGET IS 90%

Research shows that in Queensland, higher student attendance is associated, on average, with higher student achievement. Additionally, attending school every day helps children to build social and emotional skills such as communication, teamwork and resilience. Regular attendance at school will mean that your child gets a better chance at life.

Under Queensland law, you must make sure your child of school age is enrolled and attends school all day, every school day unless they have a reasonable excuse (e.g. illness, doing work experience, competing in a school sporting event etc.).

Avoid keeping your child away from school for: birthdays, shopping, visiting family and friends, sleep in, looking after other children, minor check-ups or care such as haircuts.

If your child is going to be away, please inform the school as soon as possible.

If you are having problems getting your child to attend school regularly, please contact the relevant Engagement Coordinator who will be able to offer support for you and your child:

Year 7	Ms SJ Currie	Ph 3442 3715
Year 8	Mr Ben Peardon	Ph 3442 3731
Year 9	Mr Tyrone Girle	Ph 3442 3789
Year 10	Mrs Kelly Wonnacott	Ph 3442 3726
Year 11 & 12	Ms Lisa Voight	Ph 3442 3735

By Mr Ricketts HOD – Engagement

Positive Behaviour For Learning (PBL)

Career Support

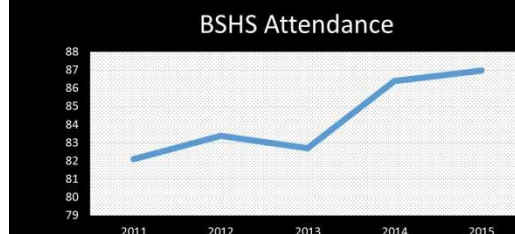
2016 will present exciting opportunities for the students of Beenleigh State High School in terms of up-skilling students with transferable knowledge and experience to assist them with career opportunities in the future. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself and explain my role within the school. My name is Kirsty Saunders and I am the Careers Support Manager. My role includes assisting the students with:-

- School-based Traineeships and Apprenticeships
- Structured Work Placement for VET students in Hospitality and Agricultural classes
- TAFE application
- Work Experience
- Industry Tours, TAFE Open days
- Certificate Courses
- Advice regarding work preparedness, resumes and interview techniques

Students can find me in Room 326 in the 300 Block with Mr McDonough (HOD Senior Schooling) and Mr Quick (Senior School Tutor). I will be meeting with the students in year 10, 11 and 12 in the first two weeks of school to advise them of my role and the opportunities that are available to them. If you have any enquiries, please feel free to telephone on 3442 3735 or email me at kساun88@eq.edu.au I am happy to have discussions over the phone or arrange an appointment to discuss in person the options available to your child. Starting early on your child's correct pathway is now more important than ever. I look forward to seeing you in 2016.



BSHS Attendance 5 year journey...



Attendance in practice...

Attendance below 80% affects achievement

1 day off per week results in 80% attendance

80% attendance means a student will miss:

= 8 weeks per year

= 1 year & 8 weeks over high school

How do we improve attendance?

Students – Every Day Counts & missing days makes school harder (just 1 day a fortnight means missing more than a year of high school)

Parents – if you are concerned about your child's attendance, please ring the school

Teachers – Follow-up with students who are consistently absent

Together, we can make EVERY DAY COUNT

By Ms Kirsty Saunders – VET Co-ordinator