



Welcome to the Year 7 Parent Information Evening

Thursday 5th February 2026





Acknowledgement of Country

At Brisbane State High School, we acknowledge the Jagera and Turrbal people, Traditional Custodians, who are the keepers and preservers of the lands, waterways, and skies where Brisbane State High School now stands. In the spirit of reconciliation, we honour and respect their Elder's past, present and emerging. We extend that respect and gratitude to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples here today, acknowledging that these have always been places of teaching and learning.

Program

- Welcome
- Current Students
- Greg Pierce – Executive Principal - Welcome
- Rebecca Nicholas – Associate Principal – Teaching and Learning at State High
- Heads of Departments
 - Hana Bermingham – Head of Department Year 7
 - Tahlia Matthews - 2IC – Junior Mathematics & Science
 - Lucy Gray - Head of Department - Junior English & Humanities
- Support Team – Guidance Officers
 - Tia Perchard
 - Helen Wittman
- Shannah Beattie - Deputy Principal – Extra Curricular
- P&C





Executive Principal Mr Greg Pierce

Our purpose

As a learning community, we are committed to developing young people to achieve their potential intellectually, personally and socially.

Intellectually as...

- life-long, curious **learners** and
- independent, creative **thinkers**

Personally as...

- resilient, balanced **individuals** and
- confident, principled **communicators**

Intellectually as...

- active, caring **citizens** and
- enthusiastic, contributing **team members**



As a parent...

- Good habits
- Effort/Character/Study
- Finding a balance
- Understanding the systems
- We need your help...





Associate Principal Ms. Rebecca Nicholas

Learning at Brisbane State High School

OUR PURPOSE: Visible learning occurs at State High when teachers see learning through the eyes of the students and students see themselves as their own teacher.

LEARNING:

- Active engagement
- Accessible
- Flexible
- Curious
- Intentional



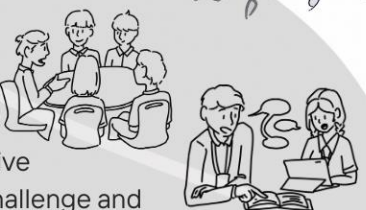
EXPERTISE:

- Evidence and research informed
- Knowledge driven
- Responsive
- Reflective



CULTURE:

- Inclusive
- Continuous
- Collaborative
- High challenge and high support



Our Practices:

- Dimensions of learning · Co-constructed and collaborative
- Feedback Pedagogy · Digital Pedagogy · Data-Informed
- The Learning Scientist · Safe and supported environment



OUR VALUES:

- | | |
|--|--|
|  Learning |  Excellence |
|  Respect |  Public Education |

Teaching and Learning is Research Based.....



THE LEARNING SCIENTISTS

Dr Andrew Martin, Educational Psychologist, Australia



Dr Andrew Martin is a leading educational psychologist who researches student motivation, engagement and achievement, as well as disengagement, educational buoyancy and pedagogy, parenting, and teacher-student relationships.



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Learning Lab

Dr Cam Brooks

Affiliate Educator





Junior Secondary Research and Evidence paper



'Comprehensive, bold and packed with practical tips to inspire optimism
in the parents of Australia's rising generation' HUGH MACKAY

MARK McCRINDLE & ASHLEY FELL
WITH SAM BUCKERFIELD

GENERATION ALPHA

UNDERSTANDING OUR CHILDREN
AND HELPING THEM THRIVE



Teacher's impact on student engagement



Behavioural engagement



Emotional engagement



Cognitive engagement



What should homework look like in Year 7?

- Up to 40 minutes of homework 4 nights a week

Suggested Plan

- First 15 - 20 minutes – homework from the day
- 15 minutes – Assignment focus

OR

- 15 minutes – Retrieval Practice
- If there is time..... 15-20 minutes of wider reading





Head of Department
Year 7

Mrs Hana Bermingham

Welcome to Year 7



BRISBANE STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Philosophy



Our Motto

Scientia est Potestas
Knowledge is Power

**We believe that the pursuit of knowledge equips and enables
our students to make a powerful difference in the world.**

Our Values



Learning

We love knowledge,
learning and
curiosity.

Excellence

We strive for personal
bests and world
class standards.



Respect

We earn respect for
our integrity, humility
and altruism.

Public Education

We celebrate diversity as well
as the things that bind us
together.



IN CLASS

IN SCHOOL GROUNDS

INSIDE AREAS

OUTSIDE SCHOOL

ON OUR DEVICES

LEARNING

**"We love knowledge,
learning & curiosity"**

- Come prepared
- Attempt all tasks to the best of our ability
- Ask questions
- Support peers to build productive partnerships
- Use resources for support

- Build friendships and skills
- Try new activities
- Reflect on learning and social behaviours

- Use spaces for their purpose e.g. Library for research
- Explore interests
- Respect quiet and collaborative study

- Apply learning from a range of contexts
- Reflect on experiences
- Embrace life long learning
- Seek to understand
- Try your best with learning behaviours

- Use ICT for research & organisation
- Be signed in to to iDET & Classroom App while at school
- Evaluate information critically
- Share ideas responsibly/with care

EXCELLENCE

**"We strive for world class
standards & personal bests"**

- Set high personal best standards in all values, including goal setting & wearing the uniform with pride
- Seek and use feedback for us & for others
- Take pride in our efforts

- Participate positively
- Demonstrate fairness
- Be a role model

- Use spaces productively
- Stay organised
- Show initiative

- Strive for our best
- Show leadership
- Demonstrate resilience
- Wear our uniform with pride

- Use tools for quality work
- Manage time
- Seek appropriate challenges

RESPECT

**"We act with integrity, humility
& altruism"**

- Treat belongings with care
- Listen actively & follow instructions in a timely manner
- Use polite language
- Be honest & trustworthy
- Allow others to feel and learn

- Speak politely
- Share spaces & resources fairly, including waiting lines
- Be aware of how our behaviour impacts others
- Keep our school clean

- Keep noise appropriate & safe
- Follow staff instructions
- Treat facilities & equipment with care

- Have positive interactions with the wider community, including public transport
- Be mindful in public
- Represent our school with 'Blue Red Blue' Pride!

- Keep a safe profile
- Protect privacy & consider safety
- Interact positively in learning activities
- Be kind online

PUBLIC EDUCATION

**"We celebrate diversity as well
as the things that bind us
together"**

- Value shared resources
- Collaborate with our peers with dignity and tolerance
- Embrace difference
- Show gratitude

- Care for our grounds
- Include and care for others, regardless of circumstance
- Contribute to a safe environment

- Share resources
- Participate productively in E.C/Club activities
- Support inclusive spaces

- Promote public education
- Celebrate diversity
- Join civic and community events - Think "Blue-Red-Blue!"

- Represent our school positively
- Contribute responsibly
- Promote events positively



Year 7 students have launched into 2026 – Let's watch them soar!



Junior Team

Associate Principal:

Ms Rebecca Nicholas

Deputy Principal:

Ms Shannah Beattie

Deputy Principal – Year 7 & 8:

Mr Matthew Thornton

Head of Department - Year 7:

Ms Hana Bermingham

Guidance Officers:

Mrs Helen Wittman and
Ms Tia Perchard

Head of Department -

Learning & Enrichment:

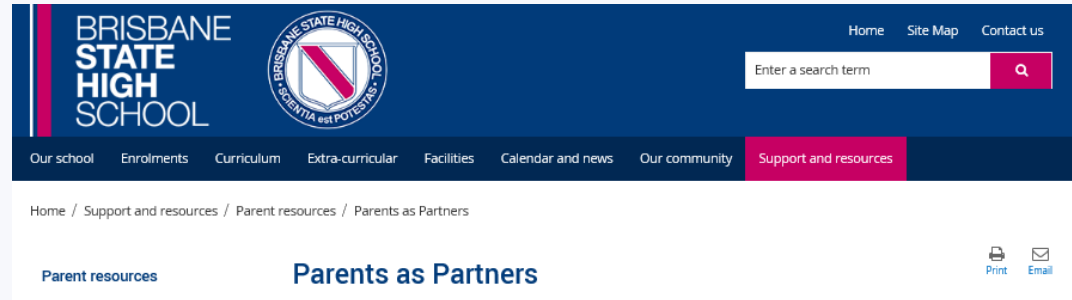
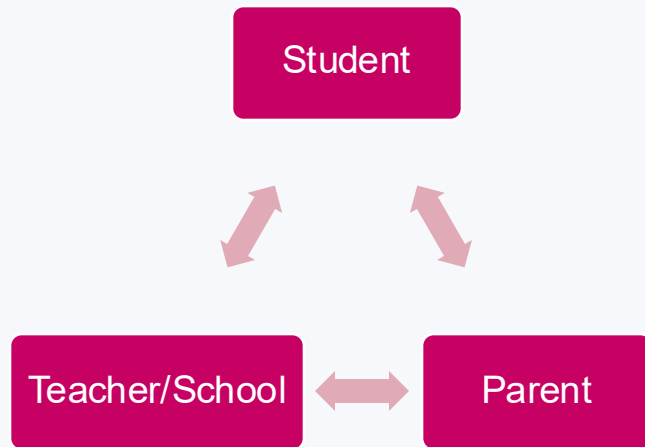
Mrs Liz Enfantie

Year 7 Learning & Enrichment Case Manager:

Ms Andrea Magubane



Supporting your Child – Parents as Partners



Partnership Presentations

Dr Andrew Martin, Educational Psychologist, Australia



Dr Andrew Martin is a leading educational psychologist specialising in student motivation, engagement and achievement, as well as gifted and talented, disengagement, educational buoyancy and adaptability, pedagogy, parenting, and teacher-student relationships.

'In Conversation' Series with Dr Martin

The 'In Conversation' interview series with Dr Martin, is a wonderful resource for parents and guardians covering a range of insights to help support your child's learning.

- #1 Positive Motivation - Dr Andrew Martin (PDF, 599 KB)
- #2 Positive Engagement - Dr Andrew Martin (PDF, 621 KB)
- #3 Academic Buoyancy and Adaptability - Dr Andrew Martin (PDF, 558 KB)
- #4 Relationships - Dr Andrew Martin (PDF, 504 KB)




Parents as Partners - Student Led Conferences

- To ensure we foster strong enduring partnerships, we are holding our very first Student Led Conferencing events in Terms 2 and 3.
- Each student is looked after by their ARC teacher and may have an additional conference support staff member to help them with preparing for these events
- These staff will mentor your students over the next two years
- Students will create portfolios that "bring all the learning together" into one place and will share these with you.



Parent Resources

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○ Learning Mentor Conversations

○ Parent Information

○ Parents as Partners

○ Parent Teacher Interviews

○ Payment

○ QParents Portal


○ SchoolTV

○ Senior success conversations


○ User Pays Scheme

> Student services and support programs


Parent resources




Learning Mentor...
Information regarding Year 10 Learning Mentor Conversations.




Parent Teacher...
Book a parent-teacher interview online using the PTO Booking System.




Payment
Payment Information for our Canteens, Uniform Shop and for printing.




SchoolTV
SchoolTV is a wellbeing online resource designed to connect, inform and empower parents.




User Pays Scheme
Information about subject fees and other levies at Brisbane State High School.




Parent Information
General parent information, including the Parent Information Handbook.





Parents as Partners
'Parents as Partners' resources from our Professional Learning Institute.



QParents Portal
Access your child's information online or through the mobile app.



Senior success...
Book a Senior Success Conversations appointment.



State High Ways

In preparation for my day of learning

- Check you have correct uniform organised
- Pack bag and ensure your iPad is charged
- Turn devices to 'Do not disturb' at a reasonable hour
- Get a good night's sleep
- Check emails and Compass
- Have a good breakfast
- Leave the house with enough time to get to class on time
- **Phones and earbuds are "away for the day" in bags, smartwatches are on 'Do Not Disturb'**

During each class

- Arrive on time and ready to learn
- Communicate respectfully and with integrity
- Engage with the WALT/WILF/TIB
- Record any homework/assessment due dates in your calendar

After my day of learning

- Review the WALT/WILF/TIB for each lesson
- Check that you achieved the learning intentions for each lesson
- Schedule opportunities for retrieval and spaced practice.
- Reflect on one positive thing that happened today
- Think about one thing tomorrow that you are looking forward to.



Organisation

Organising Self

Charging iPad overnight

Checking timetable the night before and packing bag accordingly

Organising Time and Learning

ARC supports students with these skills

Syncing the Assessment Calendar to iPad

Creating a system for meeting homework and assessment deadlines (e.g. Calendar, diary or checklist)

Checking emails and Compass daily

Organising files effectively in Notability



Enrichment Program & Peer Support

Peer Support buddying system:

Our established and sustainable peer support program consists of pairing:

Year 7 with the Year 10 Peer Support Leaders

Year 8 with the Year 11 Peer Support Leaders

Year 9 with the Year 12 Peer Support Leaders

This pairing format allows students to develop a three-year long mentoring / buddying connection, supporting our junior students throughout Years 7 to 9.



Enrichment Program Term 1

WEEK	LEARNING EXPERIENCES	WEEK	LEARNING EXPERIENCES
2	IT Onboarding & iPad Skills	7	<u>MATHS EXAM SESSION</u>
3	iPad Skills & Organisation: Time Management, Online Behaviours	8	Personal Best at State High: Strategies for Overcoming Setbacks
4	Learning Behaviours – The Learning Scientist, Learning Pit & Growth Mindset	9	Team Culture: Conflict Resolution
5	Time, Study & File Organisation	10	PERMAH Power Up Week!
6	<u>SCIENCE EXAM SESSION</u>		



ARC



Academia Strategies and skills.

Resilience With others and within ourselves.

Careers Goal setting, reflection on progress, future pathways.



ARC Themes

Theme	PERMAH	Sub Themes	Why
Academia	 Positive Emotions, Engagement, Relationships, Meaning, Accomplishment Health 	Goal Setting The Learning Scientist Student Led Conferences Signature Practices Learning Behaviours Peer Support QCAA systems (QCE & NAPLAN)	We want students to understand the process of learning and explore what works in evidence-based practice.
Resilience		Goal Setting Spirit of State High Respectful Relationships Motivation and Engagement Online safety Relationship mapping	We want our students to develop healthy and productive relationships and mindsets for a successful school, work and community life.
Careers		Goal Setting Future Self Careers Education Pathways Beyond State High IMPACT Projects/Service Leading Self and Others	We want our students to be future focussed and community driven, allowing for opportunities and experiences beyond state high.



Supporting Learning

Apps and Learning Services

Compass – Attendance and Communications

- Parents must notify for absences/late arrivals/early departures
- Notifications for students (whole school, year level specific, subject specific news feeds)
- Assessment and School Master Calendar
- Students can check timetable with real time updates e.g. Room Changes
- Student Led Conference bookings
- Whole school communications to parents/carers

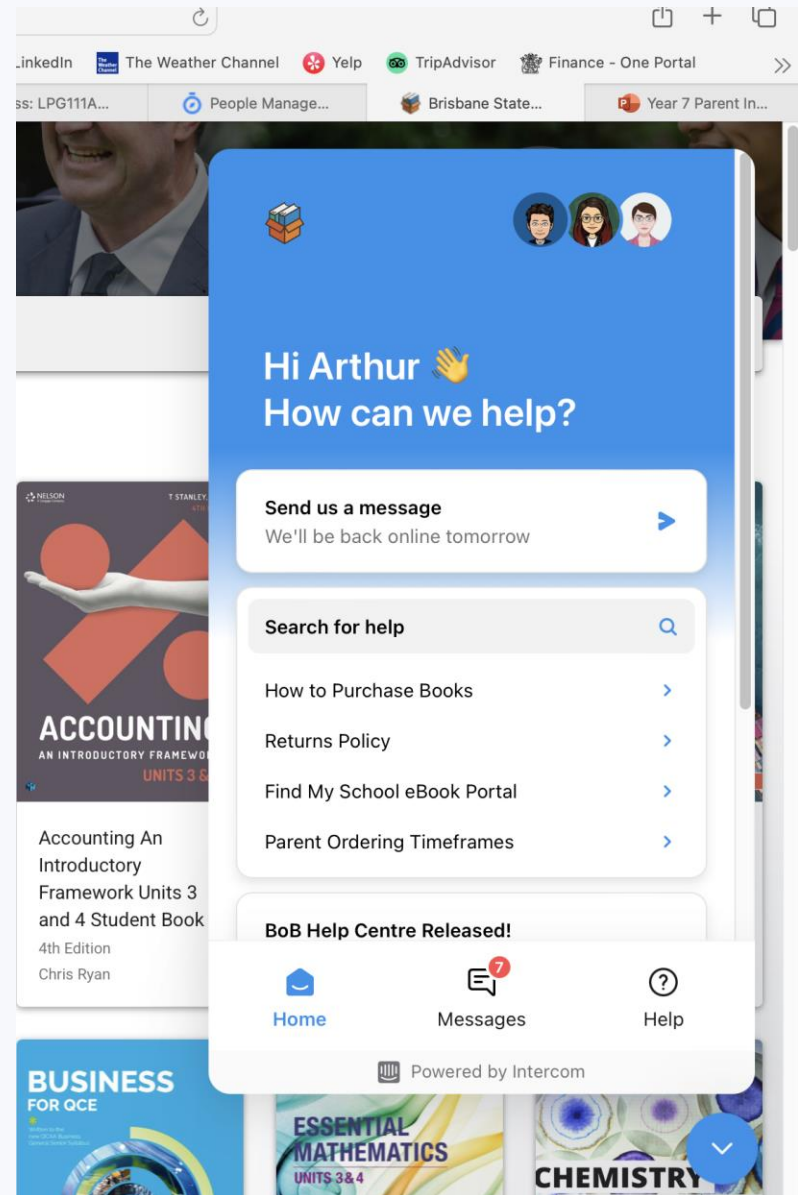
A screenshot of a mobile application interface for adding an attendance note. At the top, the status bar shows the time 9:02, signal strength, and 4G connectivity. Below the status bar is a header with "Cancel" and "Add Attendance Note". The main form has a "Reason" field with a "Holiday" dropdown menu. Below this is a "Details / Comments" section with a large text input area. Further down are "Start Date" (14/02/2025 - 09:00 AM) and "End Date" (14/02/2025 - 03:00 PM) fields. There is an "Attachments" section with an "Upload Attachment" button. Below that is a "Potentially Affected Sessions" section, followed by an "Activities" section with a right-pointing arrow. At the bottom, there is a blue button labeled "Add Attendance Note".



Box of Books

Missing books:

- Log out of the application and log back in
- Incorrect e-mail at sign up
 - o Contact BOB support via the web browser



Notability & Parental Controls

Year 7 students may need support with fixing their Notability to the school “free” version.

Parental Controls will need adjusting for this to be resolved – then you can turn them back on!

We will reach out if we have concerns about your student not having access to Notability.



NAPLAN Updates










- Communication regarding dates and school schedule will be emailed and on Compass
- NAPLAN App needs to be downloaded ASAP
- Can be found in App Store
- You can access the 'Public Demonstration' and 'Parents and Carers' sites as well



<https://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/public-demonstration-site>

<https://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/for-parents-carers>



Assessment Calendar – Instructions for Downloading to come

Compass         Privacy Mode Quick Actions AC 

March 2025  

Print | Event Categories: All Categories | Term: Please select a term... | Day | Week | Month | Term

March 2025						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
23	24	25	26	27	28	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	1	2	3	4	5

Today

Calendars Edit

- My Schedule
- Events
- Professional Development
- Minutes Meetings
- Year 7 Assessment Calendar
- Year 8 Assessment Calendar
- Year 9 Assessment Calendar
- Year 10 Assessment Calendar
- Year 11 Assessment Calendar
- Year 12 Assessment Calendar
- Master Calendar - Testing
- Test Calendar

	Feb 24, 2025	Tue 25	Wed 26	Thu 27	Fri 28	Mar 1	Sun 2
12am	Physics - PHY11 11FIA1 E...	Dance - DAN11 11FIA1 As...	Modern History - MHS11 11...	Visual Art - ART11 11FIA1 ...	Literature - LIT11 11FIA1 ...		
	English - ENG09 9A1 Assl...	Drama - DRA11 11FIA1 As...	Preparation Physical Educat...	Ancient History - AHS11 11...	Essential English - ENE11 ...		
	English Extension - EXT09 ...	Dance - DAN07 7A1 Assig...	Dance - DAN09 9A1 Assig...	Essential Mathematics - MA...	Engineering - EGR11 11FIA...		
	Dance - DAN08 8A1 Assig...	English - ENG07 7A1 Exa...		Preparation Legal Studies - ...	Business - BUS11 11FIA1 ...		
	Design and Technologies - ...			Aspire Science - ASC08 8A...	Preparation Essential Maths...		
	Aspire English - AEN07 7A...			Science - SCI08 8A1 Assl...	Preparation English - PEG10...		
					Preparation Film Television ...		
					Preparation English & Litera...		
					Preparation Visual Art - PVA...		
					Digital Technologies - DIG09...		
					Science - SCI09 9A1 Assl...		
					Engineering Principles and ...		
					Aspire English - AEN08 8A...		
					Engineering Principles and ...		
					English - ENG08 8A1 Assl...		
					Design and Technologies - ...		
					Digital Technologies - DIG08...		
					Engineering Principles and ...		
1am							



Supporting Learning at School

IT Department – D Block – D107

Opening Hours – 8:00am to 8:45am

Both lunch times each day

3:00pm to 4:00pm



Supporting Learning at School

Library

Our school library is open each morning from 8:00am and each afternoon until 5:00pm.

The library is available for individual, quiet study.

Tutorials times are being finalised and students will be advised via Compass.





LEAP

PEER TUTORING PROGRAM

WHAT WE OFFER:

- Year 10-12 mentors + Learning and Enrichment staff providing academic support for any subject
- English as a Second Language Support
- Teaching students how to become organised + learn time management

BENEFITS OF LEAP:

- Confidence boost in school subjects
- Connecting and creating bonds
- Improving studying and academic skills

WHEN:

- Week 4-9
- Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
- 3-4 pm

WHERE:

- D Block Level 2

HAVE MORE QUESTIONS?

- We will stay behind!
- Or contact:
leap@brisbaneshs.eq.edu.au

LEAP

PEER TUTORING PROGRAM

Expressions of Interest:





Math & Science

Ms Tahlia Matthews

2IC



English & Humanities

Mrs Lucy Gray

Head of Department

Classroom Routines

Entry/ exit
routines

Students access
learning resources
in QLearn

Learning Goals

- Visible and audible at start of lesson (WALT/ WILD/ TIB)

English

- 10 minutes of reading

Humanities

- 10 minutes of Education Perfect

Maths & Science

- Retrieval at start of lesson



This term in Year 7

English

Creating a micro-fiction story

- Crafting a strong sense of place using imagery and the five senses.

Formative progress check- this week

Humanities

Deep Time History of Australia

- How do Historians investigate the ancient past?

Three portfolio entries due in weeks 4, 6 and 9

Mathematics

Operations on Integers, Fractions, Decimals and Percentages

Formative progress check – week 4
Exam on Monday March 9th period 4

Science

Biology

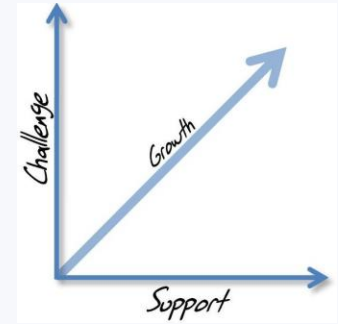
- Classification
- Food webs

Formative progress check – week 3
Exam on Monday March 2nd period 4

NAPLAN: Week 7 & Week 8



High Challenge/High Support



Support

- Ask questions: teachers are here to help
- Maths & Science: Faculty based tutorials – D211
Tuesday mornings at 8am

Challenge

- Access to extension resources via Qlearn
- Monday afternoon
Enrichment Sem 2 options

- In class differentiation
- Education Perfect
- Tracking own learning
 - English and Humanities: Tracking progress sheets
 - Mathematics and Science: Traffic Light




Tracking Own Learning: Traffic Lights

Year 7 Science

Biological Sciences – Traffic Lights

Term 1



Topic	Learning Objective: I can...	Green 	Yellow 	Red 	Jacaranda 7 Science Questions	Education Perfect Activities
Living Things	List the characteristics of living things.				Chapter 3.2 (Pg 74): Q1.a, 3,	<input type="checkbox"/> Mrs Gren <input type="checkbox"/> Living or Non-living
	Classify organisms as living or non-living.					
Observable Characteristics	Identify observable characteristics of an organism.					
	Compare organisms based on their observable similarities and differences.					
Levels of Classification	Explain the purpose of the Linnaean classification system.				Chapter 3.2 (Pg 74): Q2, 4, 5, 8, 9	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduction to Classification <input type="checkbox"/> Classification of Life <input type="checkbox"/> Linnaean Classification <input type="checkbox"/> Carl Linnaeus
	Identify the seven levels of classification.					
	Use the seven levels of classification to identify when organisms are closely related.					
	Justify when organisms are closely related based on the levels of classification they share.					



Tracking Own Learning: Portfolio Sheets

Humanities	Semester 1		Semester 2	
	Task 1: Deep Time Portfolio	Task 2: Water in our World Exam	Task 1: Sustainability Pitch	Task 2: Ancient Egypt
What went well?				
What do I need to do better?				
What are some things I could do to improve?				
A – E Results				
Write down your results	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4

Long form reading



“Reading
is to the
mind
what exercise
is to
the
body.”

-Joseph Addison

get more quotes at THEDAILYQUOTES.COM



Timetable Summary

- Each core and elective subject is studied 3 times a week
- There is one 10 minute travel window each day between Periods 1 & 2
- There are two 35 minute lunch breaks each day

Brisbane State High School

Student Timetable - Semester 1 2026 - V1

Year 7, Allenby a-, 7U (Ms Doherty)

	Monday 1	Tuesday 1	Wednesday 1	Thursday 1	Friday 1	Monday 2
P1	8:50-10:00 HMN071R SHIPEX I1.19	8:50-10:00 DAN071A ZIEBJE P102	8:50-10:00 SCIO71R UNDEJA C106	8:50-10:00 ENG071R SHIPEX I1.19	8:50-10:00 JPS071B MARTY0 I1.41	8:50-10:00 HMN071R SHIPEX I1.19
BREAK AM	10:00-10:10	10:00-10:10	10:00-10:10	10:00-10:10	10:00-10:10	10:00-10:10
P2	10:10-11:00 7U DOHEVI IG.26	10:10-11:20 JPS071B MARTY0 I1.41	10:10-11:20 MAT071R UNDEJA T201	10:10-11:20 HMN071R SHIPEX I1.19	10:10-11:20 DAN071A ZIEBJE P102	10:10-11:00 7U DOHEVI IG.26
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P3	11:35-12:45 ENG071R SHIPEX I1.19	11:55-1:05 SCIO71R UNDEJA C106	11:55-1:05 HMN071R SHIPEX I1.19	11:55-1:05 DAN071A ZIEBJE P102	11:55-1:05 MAT071R UNDEJA T201	11:35-12:45 ENG071R SHIPEX I1.19
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EP4	1:20-2:30					1:20-2:30
P4		1:40-2:50 MAT071R UNDEJA T201	1:40-2:50 ENG071R SHIPEX I1.19	1:40-2:50 JPS071B MARTY0 I1.41	1:40-2:50 SCIO71R UNDEJA C106	

Legend:

Class Code	Class Name	Teacher Code	Teacher
7U	Roll Class	DOHEVI	Ms Doherty
DAN071A	Dance	MARTY0	Miss Martin
ENG071R	English	SHIPEX	
HMN071R	Humanities	UNDEJA	Mr Underwood
JPS071B	Japanese	ZIEBJE	Mrs Ziebell
MAT071R	Mathematics		
SCIO71R	Science		



Subject Information

- 4 core subjects all year: English, Humanities, Maths & Science
- A student completes a Language in one of the semesters
- A student completes HPE in one of the semesters
- A student completes their 2 electives for one semester each but it may occur at the same time

For example:

Semester 1	Semester 2
French & Music	HPE & Engineering

Semester 1	Semester 2
French & HPE	Engineering & Music





Student Support Services

Ms Helen Wittman

Mrs Tia Perchard

Student Services

We -

- value, encourage and model healthy living.
- the importance of taking the time to nurture one's well-being.
- strive to help all students embrace healthy habits to support their growth as lifelong learners.



Student Services Team

Includes a combination of health and well-being support services.

Available to all students at Brisbane State High School.

Individual (health and/or well-being) supports, early intervention group programs, and family supports.



Student Services Supports

- B Block Student Hub




- H Block Student Hub




BSHS Website:

Student Services and Support Programs

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Support and resources

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> **Student services and support programs**

○ GPs in Schools Pilot


○ Guidance Officers

○ Learning and enrichment

○ School-based Police Officer


○ School-based Youth Health Nurse

○ Youth Support Coordinator




GPs in Schools Pilot

Brisbane State High School is pleased to be participating in the GPs in Schools Pilot Program.




Guidance Officers

Support for students about academic, personal, or career issues.




Learning and enrichment

Supporting students who have additional education needs.




School-based Police Officer


Crime prevention and safety for the school community.




School-based Youth Health Nurse



Youth Support Coordinator

 [Email](#)



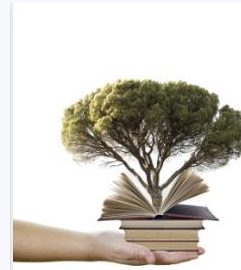


Guidance Officers

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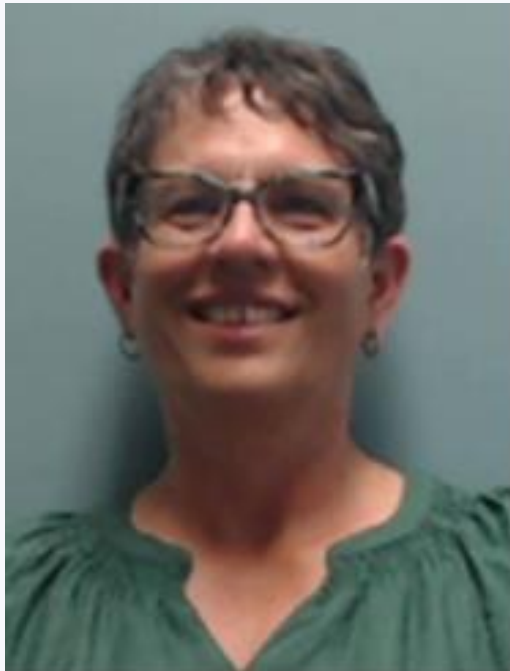
- Personal: friends, family, personal relationships, mental health and wellbeing counselling
- Academic: subject selection, applying for tertiary courses, improving study skills, managing time, exam preparation and career pathways and collaborating with Learning and Enrichment Team to support access to education
- Work: characteristics of jobs, opportunities available, developing a suitable career path, applying for jobs, apprenticeships and traineeships.





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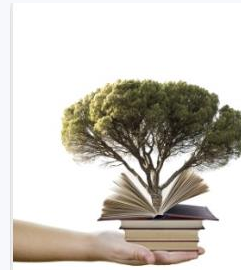
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Ms Helen Wittman
Guidance Officer
Year 7 & 10

B and H Block Student
Services Hub





Guidance Officers

Support for students about academic, personal, or career issues.



Mrs. Tia Perchard
Guidance Officer
Student Wellbeing

B & H Block Student
Services Centre



Year Level Guidance Officers

➤ Miss Carly Simpson: Yr 9 & Yr 11



➤ Ms. Bianca Sommerville: Yr 8 & Yr 12



Guidance Officer contact details:

- School website: email and direct phonenumber
- Telephone BSHS



BSHS School GP & Clinic Nurse

- Our school GP clinic offers all BSHS students health care services that young people are able to access from GPs in the community, including:
- Management of physical health, general health, mental health and wellbeing
- This is a FREE (bulk billed) service available to all State High students/



School GPs:

➤ Dr Kathryn Phillips - alternate Wednesday

Even weeks



➤ Dr Geoffrey Bennett - alternate Wednesdays

Odd weeks



➤ Fiona Gossner - Clinic Nurse, every Wednesday



BSHS School GP & Clinic Nurse

- School GP & Clinic Nurse available at B Block Student Services every Wednesday.
- See school website to schedule an appointment.

or

* Telephone B Block Student Services and we will assist you with scheduling an appointment.



GPs in Schools Pilot

Brisbane State High School is pleased to be participating in the GPs in Schools Pilot Program.



School Base Youth Health Nurse

State High: SBYHN - Carly – B Block

healthy eating and physical activity
feeling unhappy or stressed
relationships
healthy skin
sexual health
smoking, alcohol and other drugs
personal and family problems
growth and development.



School-based Youth Health Nurse

The Youth Health Nurse promotes health and wellbeing for the school community.



School Based Police Officer

- identify and address local policing issues within the school community, using crime prevention initiatives and problem-solving approaches
- plan, prepare and deliver quality presentations, information and advice to students and protective adults (teachers, other school staff, parents and carers) to enhance safety and wellbeing and to contribute to an understanding of police and the law
- provide the initial police response and recording of offences committed within the school and undertake minor investigations where appropriate.




School-based Police Officer

Crime prevention and safety for the school community.




Parent Resources

**BRISBANE
STATE
HIGH
SCHOOL**



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Support and resources

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 - Learning Mentor Conversations
 - Parent Information
 - Parents as Partners
 - Parent Teacher Interviews
 - Payment
 - QParents Portal
 - SchoolTV
 - Senior success conversations
 - User Pays Scheme
- Student services and support programs


Parent resources

**Learning Mentor...**


Information regarding Year 10 Learning Mentor Conversations.

**Parent Teacher...**


Book a parent-teacher interview online using the PTO Booking System.

**Payment**


Payment Information for our Canteens, Uniform Shop and for printing.

**SchoolTV**


SchoolTV is a wellbeing online resource designed to connect, inform and empower parents.

**User Pays Scheme**


Information about subject fees and other levies at Brisbane State High School.

**Parent Information**


General parent information, including the Parent Information Handbook.

**Parents as Partners**



'Parents as Partners' resources from our Professional Learning Institute.

**QParents Portal**

Access your child's information online or through the mobile app.

**Senior success...**

Book a Senior Success Conversations appointment.

 
[Print](#) [Email](#)

Supporting Your Child – School TV

Topics include:

- Cyber Safety
- Mental Health
- School Survival
- Positive Parenting
- Sleep
- Body Image
- School Transitions
- Exam Jitters
- Diet and Nutrition



'Today parents face a multitude of modern day challenges in raising happy, well and resilient young people. Whilst there is a great deal of information available, this can often be confusing and overwhelming for parents looking for guidance',
(SchoolTV, 2021)



Deputy Principal Ms Shannah Beattie

Engagement Beyond the Classroom

The benefits of Extra Curricular

A sense of belonging to something bigger than themselves



- ☐ Enhances time management
- ☐ Builds friendships & teamwork
- ☐ Increases confidence & leadership
- ☐ Provides a sense of belonging
- ☐ Encourages physical fitness
- ☐ Fosters creativity & self-expression
- ☐ Teaches responsibility & giving back
- ☐ Builds lifelong engagement in social causes
- ☐ Creates meaningful contributions
- ☐ Uncovers hidden talents
- ☐ Creates lasting memories
- ☐ Encourages lifelong interests





Extra-Curricular Activities 2026

Competition Seasons

	Term 1 28 January – 4 April			Term 2 22 April – 27 June			Term 3 14 July – 19 September			Term 4 7 October – 12 December		
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
GPS / Boys		Cricket		Football			Basketball					
		Rowing		Tennis			Rugby					
		Swimming		Water Polo				Athletics (Track & Field)				
		Volleyball		Gymnastics								
			Cross Country									
All		Debating (GPS)		Fencing			Chess					
		Debating (QDU)										
QGSSSA / Girls		Cricket					Netball			Badminton		
		Swimming					Tennis					
			Basketball			Volleyball			AFL (Junior)			
			Football & Touch Football			Hockey						
							BSRA Rowing					
		Cross Country				Athletics (Track & Field)						
		AFL (Senior)			Rhythmic Gymnastics							
Cultural & Other		Instrumental Music • Vocal Ensembles • Dance Troupes • Rock School • Technical Crew										
							Drama Club					
		Amnesty International • Creative Writing Club • Duke of Edinburgh Award (over 14 years) • Greenscapes • The Ink Drop Magazine • Monday Masterclasses • Opti-MINDS • Student Digital Leaders • Student Representative Council										

For more information please refer to the Brisbane SHS website [here](#)

What else do we do?

Greenscapes

Rock School: Music

Fencing

Musical Productions (biannually 2026 is the year!)

Vocal Ensembles

Dance Troupes

Amnesty International

Student Representative Council

Drama Club



How to get involved

Step 1: Read Compass daily for notices about trials/auditions.

Step 2: Register your interest and turn up for trial/s

Completion of this process does not guarantee selection in the activity.

Students will need to attend and participate in trials for the activity.

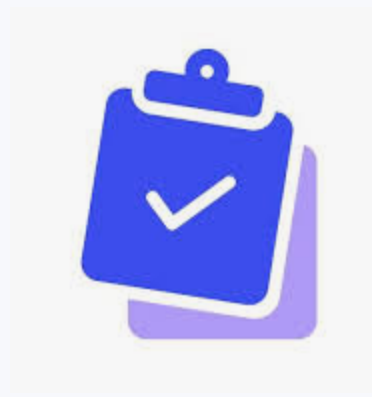
If in doubt go to D Block



Communication about trials/activities



Compass is used to communicate with all students at BSHS. (trial/audition times, activities occurring each term).



Team App is used to communicate activity specific information to parents/guardians and students. Sign-up is completed once selected in an activity.

Selection for Activities

Performance at trials, rehearsals, training and competitions.

Eligible to participate in activity based on rules of activity (age/year level, etc).

Financial levies and school subject fees are up to date.



GPS Cross Country Training



Training commences –
Monday 9th of Feb (Week 3)

Monday: 7:15am – 8:15am
Wednesday : 7:15am – 8:15am
Thursday: 7:15am – 8:15am

Please meet at F block undercroft
ready to run.

If you're a team sport athlete this is
a perfect way to build fitness before
the season



QGSSA Cross Country Training



Cross country will help improve the student's general health and wellbeing and helps foster mental toughness!

Training Times:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 7:15am (Running)

Wednesday at 7:45am (Gym - Core strength)

Students can choose what sessions they attend based on other commitments.

Just need to sign up via **Stack TeamApp** and search for **BSHS Girls Cross Country**.



Calling all State High Performers!

**EC Cultural proudly introduce the
BSHS School Musical 2026!**

The Australian Premiere of:



EQUINOX – A NEW MUSICAL!

**Score and Libretto
(Music and Words)
By**

State High's own Mr. Hume

Students from Grs 7- 12 are invited
to audition for this exciting
new Musical
and
be part of **STATE HIGH HISTORY!**



Auditions for Dancers, Singers, Actors, Musicians and Designers

- How do I sign up? - link to information including survey to express interest to be published on Compass this Friday 6 Feb
- Rehearsals: After School on Tuesdays and some Sundays.
Production week Week 9 Term 3
- Auditions: Sunday 22 Feb



Student Sign Up



Debating



Debating Trial will be posted to Year 7 on Compass tomorrow (Friday).

Students will register via the link and trials will be held next Wednesday 11 and Thursday 12 after school in I Block.



We need our parent volunteers
and expertise.

Please get involved!

*Just one
thing*

**The State
High Family**

Teaching Staff to contact

Head of Extra-Curricular

Mrs McGiffin – lmcgi9@eq.edu.au

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Ms Gaye Quinn - gmqui2@eq.edu.au

Boys/GPS Director

Mr Ben McKenzie –
bmcke278@eq.edu.au

Girls/QGSSSA Director

Mr Dave Miles – dmile33@eq.edu.au



The State High Gryphon



*Supporting our students to reach their full potential through
actively engaging parents, school and community.*



Welcome to State High

Chris Dutkowski
2026 BSHS P&C President



enquiries@bshspandc.org

07 3291 4173

BSHS P&C

Purpose

Supporting our students to reach their full potential through actively *engaging* parents, school and community



HOW?

Engagement

Uniform Shop

General P&C
Sub Committees

Fundraising

Canteens

*Would you like to be involved?
We are always looking for extra hands on deck!*

Sub-Committees

Cricket



Athletics & X Country



Netball



Rowing



Rugby



Music



Dance



Football



Visual Arts



WHY?

**Fursden Rd
Fields &
Facilities**

**MIC & Staff
Assistance**

**Specialised
Coaching**

**Uniform Shop &
Canteen Upkeep**

**Equipment
Instruments
Costumes**

Events & Camps

Uniform Shop

Opening Hours 2026

Monday – Closed

Tuesday – 8am – 2pm

Wednesday – 8am – 2pm

Thursday – 8am – 3.30pm

Friday – 8am – 2pm

*No Cash

Canteen

School Canteen Service Timetable 2026

PAC Canteen service will start from 23 February 2026

Monday	Time	Location
Breakfast	7:15am to 8:45am	E Block I Block PAC
1st Break	11:00am to 11:30 am	E Block I Block PAC
2 nd Break	12:45 pm to 13:15 pm	E Block I Block PAC

Tuesday to Friday	Time	Location
Breakfast	7:15am to 8:45am	E Block I Block PAC
1st Break	11:20am to 11:50 am	E Block I Block PAC
2 nd Break	1:05 pm to 1:35 pm	E Block I Block PAC

Online Order Pick Up Timetable From 23 February 2026

Online Order PICKUP IS AVAILABLE FOR Y7-Y12 FROM **PAC ONLY**

Monday	Time
1 st Break	11:00am to 11:30 am
2 nd Break	12:45 pm to 13:15 pm

Tuesday to Friday	Time
1 st Break	11:20am to 11:50 am
2 nd Break	1:05 pm to 1:35 pm

Payment method via EFTPOS, VISA and MSA



MSA

 student account



Supporting With My Student Account, you can order and pay for a range of services online.



MSA Registration



Cashless Canteen & Online Ordering

School lunches made easy

View school lunch menu, order, pay with your student ID card, manage special dietary requirements and allergy alert online.



HOW CAN I HELP?

**Textbook &
Resource
Allowance**

**Tax deductible
donations through
Australian Sports
Foundation website**

**Extra-Curricular
Subcommittees**

www.bshspandc.org



Textbook & Resource Allowance

Each year, the BSHS P&C Association asks our school community to consider donating the Textbook and Resource Allowance (TRA) to the P&C to continue to provide financial support to the school.

2026 EVENTS

Term 1

YEAR 7 PICNIC

Saturday 21 February 6-8pm

Term 2

MOTHER'S DAY B'FAST

Friday 8 May 7am

MOVIE ON THE OVAL

Friday 15 May 6pm

Term 3

STATE HIGH DAY

Saturday 18 July 9am-5pm

FATHER'S DAY DINNER

Saturday 3 September 7pm

Term 4

YEAR 12 MUCK-UP B'FAST

TBA Week 2 or 3

Get involved in 2026!

Volunteer

At our canteens
& uniform shop,
for our sub-
committees, at
our events &
more!

Join

As a Member to
vote at meetings
– held every 4th
Monday of the
month during
term

Attend

Our major
events like State
High Day –
and bring your
friends & family!

Donate

Fundraising Events
Australian Sports
Foundation
webpage
Enrolment Package
• Textbook Resource
Allowance

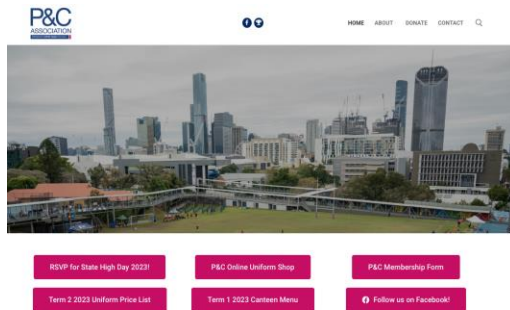
No contribution is too small every minute and dollar is valued!



MOST IMPORTANTLY... Stay in Touch!

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Head of Department
Year 7

Mrs Hana Bermingham

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Parent Information

Parent Information Handbook

The Parent Information Handbook 2021 (PDF, 2MB) contains information about the organisation of Brisbane State High. Please take the time to read through the handbook and keep it for your reference. In the handbook you will find information about the day-to-day operations of the school, together with contact information for key personnel.



Instrumental Information Session



Thank you and good evening.

