

The BUSY Schools Cairns Campus: Newsletter

Term 4, Week 8

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A note from the Campus Principal

As the year draws to a close, I want to express my sincere gratitude for your unwavering support during our relocation. Together, we've tackled challenges head-on and shown remarkable resilience.

Looking forward, our Year 11 Awards ceremony is set for early next year, and we'll confirm the dates shortly. Last week, our Year 12 students graduated in a memorable celebration, marking an important milestone.

Currently working off-site due to limited access to the school premises, our staff will be available for contact next week.

As we approach the holiday break, take the time to recharge and enjoy quality time with loved ones. Your dedication has been exceptional, and I'm immensely proud of our collective achievements.

Wishing you all a restful and safe break. We're excited about reconvening and the possibilities the upcoming year brings.

Naomi Vucas
Campus Principal

BUSY Schools Accessibility

All staff will be working remotely next week, and hope to have access to the school in order for the Administration staff to return on site on the 8th January, 2024. We will update you if there is any change to that. All other staff return to school on the 16th January.

Students return to school on the Week starting 22nd January on either Monday or Thursday depending on the student's school curriculum group.

Changes to BUSY Schools in 2024

In 2024, BUSY Schools staff will continue developing their skills in Restorative Practice and Trauma Informed Education. We strive to support our students holistically in order for them to complete their senior schooling and transition from Year 12 into further training or employment. The timetable in 2024 will continue to run with our Connect session from 8:30am to 9:15am allowing a positive primer to the day. Students will begin their day with their chosen activities from a selection including gym, outdoor games, board and card games, arts and crafts, ping pong, pool, yoga, chess and gardening.

The curriculum days next year will be either Monday and Tuesday (Group A) and Thursday and Friday (Group B). Student timetables may be different in 2024 as all curriculum days are decided after first ensuring all students are available to attend their VET courses. Students have seen their 2024 days, and will be able to see the timetables on Compass once we have set up 2024 classes.

THE ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN

Are your students ready to realise their potential? The Royal Military College - Duntroon (RMC) teaches students how to be leaders and reach their full potential as they become an Army Officer.

Army Officers are leaders and can be in command of their own platoon of soldiers. Training at RMC gives you transferrable skills and helps you reach your full leadership potential with a guaranteed leadership role on graduation. World-class leadership training plus a fast-track to an exciting and adventurous career is just the start.

Is it right for me?

If your students have ever helped a friend in trying times... If they've ever learnt from past experiences... they could be a leader.

World-class Army Officer training at RMC will equip them with everything else they need to turn them into a leader and a mentor.

EXPLORE NOW



Where future leaders are found

RMC is one of the world's finest and most respected military training institutions. It builds on your ambition and drive to make you into a leader.

Just 18 months of training at RMC will give you transferrable skills and help you reach your full leadership potential

Life at RMC

RMC is much more than just a world-class military institution – it's a dynamic community. You'll live in comfortable housing, and learn in modern facilities. Plus, you'll enjoy an outstanding social and sporting life.

Accepting applications in November for opportunities to commence in July 2024.

Connect your students with an expert to chat about becoming an Army Officer by calling 13 19 01 or find a local [ADF Careers Centre](#).

JAMES COOK UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS

The JCU Deans' Scholarship is part of JCU's commitment to rewarding and supporting high-achieving school leavers. \$20,000 will be awarded for up to four (4) years of study (\$5,000 per year). The Scholarship provides financial support to high-achieving undergraduate students commencing full-time study at JCU in Study Period One, 2024. The JCU Deans' Scholarship is assessed automatically for Year 12 school leavers.

Scholarship Requirements - [JCU Deans' Scholarship - Scholarships - JCU Australia](#)

The JCU Vice Chancellor's Scholarship is part of JCU's commitment to rewarding and supporting high-achieving school leavers. \$40,000 will be awarded for up to four (4) years of study (\$10,000 per year). The Scholarship provides financial support to high-achieving undergraduate students commencing full-time study at JCU in Study Period One, 2024. The JCU Vice Chancellor's Scholarship is assessed automatically for Year 12 applicants.

Scholarship Requirements - [JCU Vice Chancellor's Scholarship - Scholarships - JCU Australia](#)

Please come and chat with Amanda or Amba if you need help in applying for these scholarships.

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES NORTH AUSTRALIA

Have you been impacted by a serious illness during your years at school? Are you leaving school to go to university, or to complete an apprenticeship/vocational training next year? Then this scholarship could be for you!

A serious illness can make it very difficult for young people to continue their education and achieve their life goals. Our Charlie Bell Educational Scholarship will award grants of \$5,000 to deserving young people to help them follow their career dreams. Ronald McDonald House Charities North Australia is here to help the recipients to succeed in their chosen career. The money can go towards university or VET fees, apprenticeship tools, books or supplies, etc.

Applications are now open for eligible young people:

- between 15 and 20 years old;
- who have suffered with a serious illness at some point during their schooling years; and
- who are leaving school and enrolling in a university or VET course for 2024.

The online application form requires you to supply:

- Educational information/history
- Relevant medical history
- An outline of your study aims, career pursuits, personal achievements, community involvement & goals for your future
- A personal reference
- An Education/Employer reference
- Signature of parent/guardian (if under 18 years)

Applications close 30th November 2023. Apply online [HERE!](#)

Please come and chat with Amanda or Amba if you need help in applying for these scholarships.

FIRST NATIONS POLICE RECRUITMENT TRAINING FOR 2024

Adrian Coolwell from Queensland Police announced that the Queensland Police were taking on nearly 40 new First Nations recruits in their first-round of Recruit Training next year.

If you are First Nations and 17 years old or over who would like to find out more or apply, please check out - <https://www.policerecruit.qld.gov.au/indigenous-entry-pathway> or contact Adrian via: Ph: 1300 BE A COP (23 2 267) or Email: indigenoucareers@police.qld.gov.au

For general Police recruiting, please go to: <https://www.policerecruit.qld.gov.au/join-queensland-police-service>

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY NOTICES

Amanda and Amba are still working remote until the 22nd of December so make sure to answer your calls and check your emails in case of any communication from them.

Graduating Year 12 students, Amanda and Amba are still available and happy to support you in finding employment or future education options now and into 2024.

Students if you have applied for a TAFE course for 2024 please make sure to check your emails for your acceptance email and clothing and equipment requirements for these courses. If you need assistance with hi-vis clothing, footwear, hospitality clothing or beauty clothing please contact Amanda and Amba urgently so this can be organised before Christmas so that this can be ordered and be ready in time for first day of TAFE.

2024 Year 12 Students - If you have not picked a course or have been declined due to no space or course cancelled for low numbers, Amba will be contacting your young person and yourself to discuss options for 2024 to meet QCE requirements.

Workwear Hub -

A HUGE thank you to Workwear Hub for their support of BUSY Schools. They have kindly provided the below discount voucher for the school community to access when shopping with them.

15% OFF YOUR ORDER

USE CODE **15BUSY**

Valid on orders \$99+. Not valid on already reduced products, Tradie packs or multi-buys and cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer. Use code online or instore to redeem. Code not valid on B2B orders. This offer is valid for one use per customer. Code valid for a limited time only. Exclusions apply

Google Review

Have you noticed a positive change in your teen since they started attending The BUSY Schools? Would you like to share this with others?

Please leave us a review on our Google page to help others decide if The BUSY Schools is the perfect solution for their teen.

To leave a review, visit <https://g.page/r/CUkV7U-PMCuEEBM/review>.



Feedback Process

At The 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 Anne English to discuss the issue; and/or

Report the feedback on the BUSY Schools Website: <https://www.busyschools.qld.edu.au/busy-schools-feedback/>



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