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## A note from the Campus Principal

Dear BUSY Schools Coolangatta school community.

It is great to see our students returning and getting stuck into their work for Term 1. Great effort, students.

I constantly reinforce the message that setting yourself up for success and attendance is key to not falling behind and staying on top of upcoming assessments. Students are also reminded to take up opportunities that are presented to them and using the resources available to them for support (social/emotional, vocational training and employment). Asking for help, when needed, is another key to success. If you let us know how we can help, or when things are not going well, we can work together to solve a problem. When things go wrong, it is often because a young person has not reached out to an adult for advice or coaching on an issue. I would encourage parents to take the time to see how their young person is going in the first few weeks of school and reach out to us. This brings me to next week's parent event.

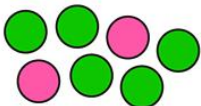
### Parent Learning Safari next Tuesday and Thursday

I am particularly looking forward to seeing all Year 11 parents on either Tuesday or Thursday next week for our Parent Safari. This event starts at 3 pm and finishes at 4 pm and you will be a BUSY School student for one hour of fun and, at the same time, find out everything that happens in each subject this semester. There will be another parent safari in Term 3. Can't wait to see you there.

Kind regards,  
Klaus Knobloch  
Campus Principal

## Essential Mathematics Update

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What are ratios? We use them every day without really recognizing them, for example, in recipes. Ratios compare similar amounts of things and are related to fractions and percentages. That's what we are learning about in Grade 11 this week, including how to manipulate ratios and fractions by simplifying them. The Grade 12s are tackling perimeters of shapes. This is going to form the basis of their first assessment, which will start in a couple of weeks and run 'till the end of term.

## Essential English Update

This week, Year 11s have been working on understanding safety in the workplace, and how language can be used to inform and persuade.

Year 12s looked at symbolism, connotations, and the power of advertising. This is in preparation for our first assessment, which we will start next week! Watch this space.

Thank you to all students for being excellent, I am loving all of my classes!



Fun fact #2 – I once scuba-dived to a depth of 30m in the Philippines and ran out of oxygen. This was a result of me being anxious and breathing too shallow and often – the moral of the story is to relax, and breathe deeply. Also, I survived thanks to my Latvian instructor, Kluta.

## Social & Community Studies update

Week Two of Term One and all the year 11 students are going very well. All students have been working away on set task in class looking at the World of Work. The checkpoint for students identifies when assessment pieces are due and Busy School will keep you informed of upcoming due dates.

The year 12 students have been working on the set tasks in class, a very exciting project this term, where they will plan and cook a specific menu. An excursion form will be sent home in a few weeks to gain permission for the students to attend the Country Women's Association for their cooking practical.

## A note from our Education Youth Worker

This week it was back to business as usual for our students who have now survived their first full week of school for the year. Congratulations to everyone for sticking it out and studying hard. Also, a huge thank you to all the amazing young people who have taken such good care of the kitchen environment, and especially those that have gone the extra mile to assist with clean up at the end of breaks. The vast majority of students have treated the equipment with respect and done well cleaning up after themselves, and it is thanks to this that our kitchen is a clean and nice place to eat. To those few that are having trouble cleaning up their mess, please remember that the kitchen and food provided is a privilege that we are very lucky to have this at school!



## Industry team news from Marikka and Elijah

A big welcome back to students and families from the career's hub. This week we have had some of our students busy at trade College and will have some students attending the French Beauty academy next week. I'm excited to announce that we have some opportunities for our young people this term to get out and explore their career. I just wanted to say I'm really impressed at the students who are taking the initiative to come and discuss their career pathways and so eager to get started, so a big 'well done'. I will be hanging a roster outside my room starting from next week for students to book allocated times with me for a career chat so we can kick start those traineeships and apprenticeships. Please get in quick to book your spot.

**February 6<sup>th</sup>, 9am Pet Certified will be attending site to do enrolments in Cert 2 in Animal Care.** You must attend the site to book your spot. This will be a great opportunity for the students on a Wednesday and this is something that they have requested to do so we are fortunate to be able to offer this at our campus. **Cert 2 Self-awareness & Personal development**

**will commence on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> of Feb.** We will notify your young person which day they are attending. Last of all, a big shout out to Rin who signed up for a Traineeship with Cowch at Broadbeach. Cowch are an amazing employer and are still looking for Hospitality superstars< so please come and see me if this may interest you. Well done, Rin.

Don't forget to jump on Facebook or Instagram to follow what's happening at Busy Schools Coolangatta, and don't forget to give us a like.

Please stay connected I'm really enjoying the communications between students and their families. Have a great week. Marikka 😊

## A note from Matt

Hi Everyone

Great to start back last week and cover the big issues! I had thought of discussing the merits of big shoulder pads, step hair cuts, acid wash jeans and big hair stadium rock – in other words the '80's as last week we covered the '70's.

After lengthy reflection I thought we could leave that until another time and instead talk school and key dates this term.

### If you are in Year 11

- Essential English Assessment will be handed out Week 6 and will be due Week 9.
- Essential Mathematics Assessment will be doing a test Week 7
- Social and Community Studies Assessment will be handed out Week 5 and will be due Week 9

### If you are in Year 12

- Essential English Assessment will be handed out Week 3 and will be due Week 6.
- Essential Mathematics Assessment will be handed out Week 4 and will be due Week 8
- Social and Community Studies Assessment Exam Week 9

All of these can be completed in class time – so long as you are in class, every lesson. We are now completing Week 2.

Back to the '80's, did you ever try Maccas Blueberry Thickshakes – great taste but unusual results.

See you next week.

Matt

## 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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