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A note from the Campus Principal

Dear BUSY Schools Coolangatta school community.

It is hard to believe we are approaching week 9 and the end of Term 1. How time flies. As we complete the end of this term, I want to remind everyone of our academic expectations. Students are strongly encouraged to complete all their assessments for this term and continue to excel in their studies.

Staff have informed me that nearly all students are on track and are working hard to complete outstanding tasks on time. Well done, students. For those students who require some extra support, all staff will be available to help our young people complete assessments. We are here to help. Please make good use of this time.

I would also like to strongly encourage our students to keep their attendance up. Once all assessments are completed, students will then have time to recharge and get ready for Term 2.

Kind regards,
Klaus Knobloch
Campus Principal

Essential Mathematics Update



Congratulations to all the students that have completed this term's work. For the Grade 11s, nearly all students have sat for the exam on *Rates, Ratios, Percentages and Data*. The Grade 12s should have submitted their problem-solving task on *Measurement* by Friday this week. If you have not finished the assessments required for Term 1, make sure you are in class in Week 9 to get them done and get them over with. Alternatively, we are able to support you to complete these in week 10.

Essential English Update

It's been a massive week for Year 11 – students are polishing their speeches so that they are ready to present next week! I know you all think you can turn up and wing it on the day and be amazing, but I promise if you practice, I will notice and it will have an impact on your outcomes! I once had to do a poetry recital for a uni assignment (ask to see my portfolio if you want, there's some good stuff in there) and I wrote my poem on the back of a receipt and read it every time I got a chance whilst I was at work. I encourage all students to cram some practice in wherever possible.

My lovely Year 12s have all presented their speeches, which is absolutely amazing. Only 3 more assessments to go until it's all over! Our next assessment is Term 2, Week 6. We have already begun analysing texts in preparation for this assessment – no rest for the wicked!

Fun fact #8 – Yesterday was my 2 month anniversary of working at The BUSY Schools Coolangatta. I have loved every minute 😊 here is one of my favourite things a student has said to me this year →

I USED TO WAKE UP FOR
SCHOOL AND GROAN.
NOW I WAKE UP AND
THINK "OH I GO TO BUSY
SCHOOLS NOW" AND
FEEL EXCITED.

Anonymous Student



Social & Community Studies update

All students are coming to the end of their Term 1 Assessments.

Year 11C & 11D finishing off any work on their assessments, finalizing this week. Some great progress.

Year 12B - What a fantastic effort from the 12B Class for their cooking practical. Great teamwork & cooking taking place! Klaus was the designated taste tester!



A note from our Education Youth Worker

As we are nearing the end of term and our students are finishing with this term's assessment, I can see the fatigue setting in for a lot of our young people. With this in mind, now is a good time to talk about self-care. Especially during times of stress, it is so important to take some time out to look after your own wellbeing. Our guest speakers from Harness this week talked about recognizing your individual warning signs early, and the importance of finding things to do that 'fill your cup'. I encourage all of our students to take heed of this advice and take time to check in with themselves. Ask yourself, how am I doing right now? Am I experiencing any symptoms of burn out or stress? Remember that these warning signs can be different for everyone, and it is important to recognize what types of feelings come up for you. If you notice any of these unwanted feelings, then it might be time to prioritize some self-care. This could be anything from taking a walk on the beach, hitting the gym for a workout, or just chilling out, watching your favourite movie. Personally, nothing fills my cup quite like some quality time with my cheeky Jack Russel puppies! Whatever it is that gives you joy, do your best to make it a priority. Also, remember there are plenty of support resources available if self-care doesn't do the trick! All you need to do is reach out to someone.

PSA- Tuesday and Friday is Harmony Day so students are allowed to wear mufti to celebrate diversity, the theme is orange. We will also be sharing a multi-cultural feast and the students are welcome to bring a plate to share.

Industry team news from Marikka and Elijah

We have had a big week here on campus as the students were lucky enough to try some VR headsets to see the POV of a 'day in the life' of a tradie. Construction Skill Queensland are a great company that provides a unique experience and can inspire our students to look at other industries for work. We are hosting the barista course over the next two weeks so if your young person is in the course, please remind them to attend on **Monday & Tuesday the 20th and 21st of March**, it is a normal school day so please be on your best behavior and wear your school uniform.



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 is 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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