

The BUSY Schools Southport Girls+ Campus: Newsletter

Term 4, Week 8

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A note from the Campus Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

This school year has come to a close for our first year 11 cohort. I want to take this opportunity to express my deepest gratitude to our students, families, and staff for a remarkable beginning to The BUSY Schools Southport Campus.

Throughout the year, we have witnessed the beauty of our school community coming together, supporting one another, and celebrating our shared successes. Our students have demonstrated resilience, creativity, and a passion in pursuing their goals. I thank the families who have been unwavering in their support. Our staff has worked tirelessly to create a nurturing and engaging learning environment for all our students.

Students, as you prepare for the break, I encourage you to take some time to reflect on all that you have accomplished this year. You have learned new things and made new friends. Thank you for making our first year one to remember.

Kind regards,

Ulla Hansson
Campus Principal

Parent/Carer and Student Satisfaction Survey

Each year, we survey parents/carers and students to gain feedback about our program at The BUSY Schools. Please take a few minutes to share your thoughts about your young person's engagement with The BUSY Schools program. Your comments will help us make improvements to the existing program and make plans for new program initiatives if needed. Students can complete the student-based survey during class.

The survey is confidential and does not require your signature. Thank you for sharing your input and suggestions.

Parent: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BUSYSchoolsSouthportParentSurvey>

Student: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BUSYSchoolsSouthportStudentSurvey>

Essential Mathematics

We have finished! Re-engagement with mathematics can be a daunting task, but our students have shown how resilient they are and have done exceedingly well either in their results, their ambition, or in their understanding. We finished the year with our final exam and had good success throughout the class. I look forward to seeing what they are capable of in 2024!

Essential English

'The secret of success is to make your mind work for you – not against you. This means constantly being positive, constantly setting up challenges you can meet – either today, next week, next month or next year.' (Arnold Schwarzenegger)

The students have worked incredibly hard all term and everyone completed Unit 2 of Essential English, graduating into Year 12, which I am sure they will approach with the same level of determination and commitment to achieving their goals. The final assessment results were their best yet with an average score of a (high) B, evidencing not only their resilience and positive attitude to learning, but their overall progress.

Students – I couldn't be prouder! Have an awesome, fun-filled, well-deserved break and I'll see you ready to smash year 12 in January!

I'll be back!

Social & Community Studies

We made it to the end of the year! The students did an amazing job on their exam, they all showed such resilience attempting (almost) all questions on the exam. The students showed they have some excellent money management skills to take with them into the world. It was such a joy teaching everyone this year and I am so very much looking forward to next year!

STEM

On Friday the students not only participated in the Makers Empire Advanced Manufacturing Program, they WON! Our STEM team worked with our industry partner Telwater to solve a problem for the manufacturing industry. The problem they were presented was ill fitting cup holders, and they students ideated a number of designs to create a cup holder that fits everything from a small coke can to a large Frank Green water bottle. The students competed in the Senior Secondary Category against 6 other schools including, where they won first place.

the team had to design and pitch their product and business case to a panel of industry professionals in a 'shark tank' style setting. The students excelled in all areas; their presentation was exceptional. The students explained their design process and showed all the ideations of their design. They forecasted projected costs to run the business and presented a marketing plan including logos and branding.

Their first place award was presented by Bernadette Zerba, Acting Director General of the Department of Regional Development, Manufacturing and Water. I could not be prouder of all the work that the students put into this project and how professionally they answered questions from industry partners, the judging panel and students from other schools.



Electives and Pathways to Employment

Last post for the year! Congratulations to the following students who have completed the following Certificates over the past 3 terms!

First Aid Cluster:

Ameliya R, Cambrie T, Lancia T, Libby H, Luciana C, Rhiannon B, Sommer G, Zaida F

Barista/Food Safety/RSA Cluster:

Ameliya H, Amelia R, Bella S, Bree S, Cambrie T, Emily B, Jorja D, Lancia T, Leilani B, Libby H, Lily E, Luciana C, Montanah P, Priscilla A, Rhiannon B, Rylee L, Sommer G, Timena R, Zaida F

Certificate II in Animal Care

Emily Betts

Certificate II in Health Support Services

Rylee Libeau
Lily Ellem
Montanah Paulson
Ameliya Higgins
Bella Hinton
Cambrie Turner

Certificate II in Hospitality

Timena Schmidt-Robati

Certificate III in Screen and Media

Libby Hohl

It was lovely meeting many of you in person to discuss the ending Semester and plans for next year. Term 1, 2024 is going to be busy with many of the students undertaking the Certificate II in Self Awareness and Development to assist with 4 QCE points – this will require students to attend every Monday or Thursday depending on which course they are enrolled into. Those students who are unable to be enrolled this time around will have the opportunity in Term 2.

Please feel free to reach out if you have any concerns or challenges – I will be around during the school holidays.

Have a lovely break and enjoy your family time over the Christmas holidays – stay Safe!



Wellbeing & Support

Congratulations to all our students for completing year 11. While the year came with some challenges, you all have shown such growth and resilience to get through to the end of the year. We hope you all enjoy your holidays and while, for some, holidays can be challenging without your normal routine, it is still important to stay healthy and look after yourself. Try to still have structure around your regular routines and keep a good night's sleep. We look forward to seeing all our Year 12 students in 2024.

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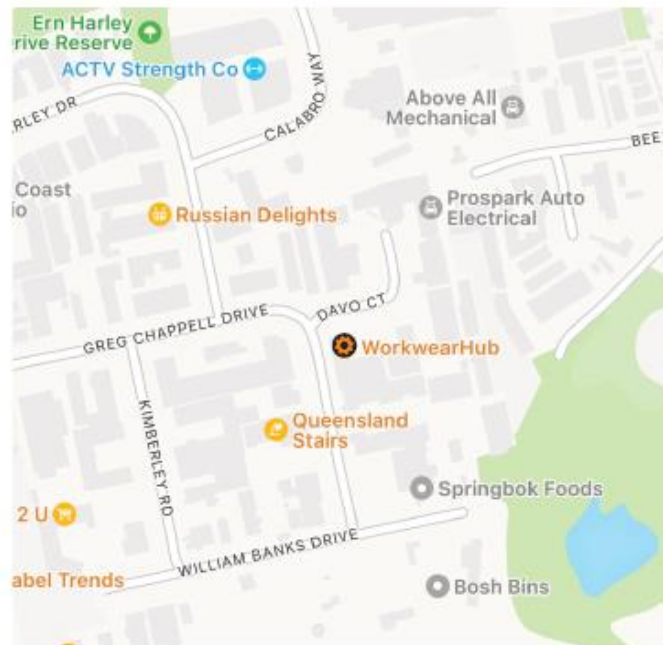
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At The BUSY Schools we want everyone to have a voice! We want to hear any compliments and/or concerns. The best way for feedback to be effective is to pass it through the most relevant channels. If you have anything you need to express, you could:

- Approach the relevant people directly and have a respectful conversation to resolve the incident.
- Approach Ulla Hansson to discuss the issue.

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



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