

The BUSY Schools Southport Girls+ Campus: Newsletter

Term 3, Week 4

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A note from the Campus Principal

Dear School Community,

We have completed week 4, and it has been a busy term so far. The students have started to work on their assessment tasks. Students must check in with their teachers when they are in the study room, to ensure they are accessing and completing all set tasks.

Two staff members (Jess Smith and Mary Creasy) attended a professional development training, that included making a 3D Model. We have been fortunate to have received a 3D printer, which some students will be using during the Makers Empire elective.

Thank you to all our students who continue to focus on learning and exploring their future career pathways. We welcome all our new students who have started their journey with Southport Girls+ Campus.

Friday 1st September (Gold Coast Show Day – will be a Student Free Day)

Kind regards,

Ulla Hansson
Campus Principal



Social & Community Studies

This week students began their assessment which is an investigation into how Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture is expressed through the Arts. Students will be researching different art forms and selecting some specific artworks to delve into and will be creating a digital presentation to demonstrate their learning.

Essential English

'Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it' (George Santayana)

This week, as part of our exploration of how individual and collective human experiences and perspectives of the world are communicated in autobiographical and biographical texts, we have begun watching Spielberg's 'Schindler's List' (1993). Given that the film is about the Holocaust and the mass persecution and genocide of six million Jews during World War Two, it isn't an easy or comfortable watch; however, all students have acknowledged the need to remember this truly horrific period of time in history and have approached the topic and all subsequent discussions sensitively, showing both maturity and compassion.

Essential Mathematics

Students have been working well over the last fortnight learning how to manage money, what it means to earn an income and pay taxes, including how to create a simple budget using ICT. Students are now moving into a new topic of time and distance and will start to focus on their upcoming assignment where they will plan a detailed trip to multiple locations including all relevant expenses.

Electives and Pathways to Employment

Week 4? Where has the time gone – this past week saw interviews with employers for Traineeships, congratulations to Lancia and Leilani who were amazing in their interviews and have secured a Traineeship with CSi Club Southport <https://clubsouthport.com.au/> they will complete a Certificate III in Business with a Hospitality focus – starting in the Bistro



The girls had a visit from Courtney Stewart who gave a talk about the endless possibilities in the Hospitality industry both as a career and a earnings potential whilst doing study or working on your passion outside of the industry

I am currently assisting Busy Schools Coolangatta whilst they employ a second Employment Pathways Officer – so will be at Southport campus Tuesday to Thursday.

A back of house visit to KFC (did you know they crumb their own chicken from scratch!) and Taco Bell to learn about their Traineeships and what a great opportunity for our students either as an ongoing career path into their management programme, work experience or the flexibility offered whilst you complete other things.



Wellbeing & Support

As we start to head into week 5 of the term and coming up to assessment, I would just like to remind students to reach out to me if they are feeling stressed, overwhelmed, need a general chat or in need of any emotional support. Also, don't forget that headspace Southport has appointment spaces available to see any young person that may need some extra emotional support.

For parents- QLD Health are hosting a 2 hour Psychological First Aid Training course. This is a condensed training which will help you to gain an understanding of how to assist someone following a traumatic event, natural disaster, public health emergency, or even a personal crisis. FREE, Tuesday 5th September, 5.30-7.30pm, Nerang Bicentennial Community Centre. You can register here: [Introduction to Psychological First Aid Tickets, Tue 05/09/2023 at 5:30 pm | Eventbrite](#)

Makers Empire – Elective

This week marks the start of the Makers Empire elective, where we will be investigating issues in the manufacturing industry and 3D modeling and prototyping solutions to industry problems. This week the teachers delved into the exciting world of 3D modeling, had a crash course in how to 3D model and how this technology is used in industry. Mary and Jess went to Gilmore Space Technology to see how companies are pioneering innovative uses for 3D printing. So far at school we have explored the 3D modeling software and the students have learned the basics and have been very creative in modeling some wonderful creatures. We are looking forward to being paired with our industry partner so we can apply these skills to real world problems and develop our problem-solving skills.



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 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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