



Stuart High School Newsletter

We work together in a safe, caring and enjoyable environment to achieve successful educational outcomes for all students.

CARE~RESPECT~ENJOYMENT~WORKING WITH OTHERS~SAFETY = SUCCESS



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January 2016**

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Principal's Welcome

Dear Parents and Caregivers

I warmly welcome everyone to Stuart High School for another year. Particular welcome goes to the students and their families who are starting with us in Year 8 or who have come to us from other schools. We trust your time with us will be enjoyable and rewarding. To those of you returning from previous years, we hope your holiday break was refreshing and that you are ready to start a new year and to meet the challenges that lie ahead.

Stuart High is fortunate to have four new staff commencing with us in 2016. We welcome Mr Glenn Clarke, Mrs Lucinda McKenzie, Ms Trish Jenkins and Ms Becky Geldard. We will profile these people in depth in later publications, but for now wish them all the best as they begin their time with the Stuart High community.

The staff at Stuart High School is excited to be trialling some new approaches to the delivery of curriculum this year. Teachers and School Support Officers will be working collaboratively, allowing opportunity to deliver units of work in a more flexible manner, therefore catering for individual learning needs more effectively. Supporting this integrated approach will be the development of flexible learning spaces starting with the Year 8s. This will minimise disruptions for students, allowing them more face to face time with staff and greater access to resources. More details and publicity about this exciting venture will be forthcoming.

Another new development for 2016 is a slight change in our daily timetable. This brings the school in line with the Primary School and will help us in the effective sharing of programs and facilities. Please note that our school day will begin 5 mins later at 8.55a.m. and conclude 5 minutes earlier at 3.15 p.m. Monday will continue to be a short day finishing at 2.05 p.m. This will have minimal to no effect on students catching a school bus and still meets our obligations in terms of instruction time. If you have any queries about this, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

As many of you would have heard by now, we start the year with sadness and disbelief as we come to grips with the tragic news of the passing of our school counsellor, Mr Doug Jackson. You will be receiving an official letter outlining some of the circumstances around this tragedy including information about how you or your child can be supported during this time. The Department for Education and Child Development have been incredibly supportive, providing counsellors to speak with staff and students if required. We are planning some special celebration activities as a means of honouring the life of Mr Jackson. Our heartfelt thanks go to those schools and individuals who have expressed their support and sympathy to us as a school community.

Regards

Brett Spangenberg

Deputy Principal on behalf of

Principal, Jeanette Conroy





New Time table for Term 1



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Monday		Tuesday - Friday	
Care Group	8:55	Care Group	8:55
Lesson 1	9:25	Lesson 1/2	9:35
Lesson 2	10:00		
Recess	10:35	Recess	11:05
Lesson	11:15	Lesson 3/4	11:45
Lesson 4	11:50		
Lunch	12:25	Lunch	1:15
Lesson 5	12:55	Lesson 5/6	1:45
Lesson 6	1:30		
Dismissal	2:05	Dismissal	3:15

School Photo Day Friday 19th February

It is very important for students to have their photo taken on this day. Their photo is used to supply the student with an i.d. card for 2016.

All students need to be wearing the Stuart High School uniform, and arrive at school on time.

Students will be receiving a photo ordering pack this week, for you to purchase photos. Sibling photo ordering packs are available at the front office.

Welcome back