THE HUBBARD'S NEWSLETTER

The latest news and updates from Hubbard's School

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Updates & News

WELCOME

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to all students and parents (both new and returning) to the 2022 school year.

Thank you for your patience and perseverance during the temporary online learning period.

Hubbard's will be returning to face-to-face learning on the 7th February 2022. All staff are looking forward to welcoming you all in person next week.

I would also like to take the opportunity to welcome the new staff who joined us late last year. Janette Atchison, our new Deputy Principal and Aisla Jenkins are a very welcome addition to our Hubbard's family. They both bring a wealth of knowledge and skills to our very talented staff.

Cathy Pappalardo Principal

LOOKING AHEAD

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To view the full 2022 calendar year, click HERE

An assessment calendar for Units 1, 2, 3 & 4 of the General Subjects will be made available to our students and parents soon.

HUBBARD'S INFORMATION EVENING

Parents and students are invited to attend our next Information Evening, hosted by our Principal, Cathy Pappalardo.

In this information evening we will share information about:

- Processes involved with QCAA & QTAC
- AARA special provision applications for General and SEE subjects.

WHEN: 6pm, Thursday 10th February 2022

HOW: Delivered via Zoom



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COVID-19 UPDATE

Hubbard's School will return to face-face learning as of Monday, 7th February 2022.

Our school is committed to ensuring the safety of staff and students by continuing to:

- practice good hygiene whilst providing a high-quality education for each student
- ensure regular cleaning protocols are in place and monitor physical distancing throughout the school where possible
- ensure face masks are worn by staff and students and only removed when seated

The State Government has advised that a limited number of Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) will be distributed to all schools to cover the first two weeks of face-to-face delivery. Schools will be allocated tests based on the number of students enrolled in 2021. Hubbard's cannot guarantee that RATs will be available to all students who may request them.

Students or staff members are encouraged to stay home if they are exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19. In the case where a student is clearly exhibiting Covid-19 symptoms while at school, a RAT will be issued to the student to take home (if available) and documented as per State Government guidelines.



What happens if I test positive for Covid-19?

If a student or staff member test positive for Covid-19, they are to follow the current health directive and isolate. Students will be able to return to school upon providing photo evidence of a negative test result via email to <u>admin@hubbards.qld.edu.au</u>

During this isolation period, students are encouraged to liaise with their teachers and access materials on Matrix to ensure they remain up-to-date with school work (unless ill and unfit to do so).

AARA DUE DATES What is AARA

The QCAA recognises that some students may have cognitive, physical, social-emotional or sensory conditions that may be a barrier to their performance in assessment. Access Arrangements and Reasonable Adjustments (AARA) are designed to assist these students.

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Hubbard's Assessment AARA Applications

For our internal assessments, students may apply for "Principal approved/reported" AARA Applications. This application process mirrors the AARA Application requested by QCAA for any special considerations in the External Examinations. A letter from your GP providing evidence to substantiate this request is sufficient and may prove to be more time-effective if you would like to apply for AARA for the internal March assessments.

Who should apply for this?

All students who would like to request special exam provisions are required to do so through the Hubbard's AARA application. Senior Prep students may also apply for AARA.

The deadline for applying for the <u>Hubbard's AARA Application</u> is Sunday, 13th March 2022.

QCAA AARA Applications

The QCAA AARA Applications are approved by QCAA with Principal reported information to support the request.

There are two forms to be completed:

- Medical Report Template (to be completed by a medical professional)
- <u>Student Statement</u> (completed by student). This form is not mandatory and as such, students may choose not to complete this Form for their application.

QCAA AARA due dates are outlined below, however, families will be emailed with further information to provide clarity around their QCAA AARA due dates.

Please note, SEE students can't have medical certificates for their QCAA forms which pre date 1 May 2022.



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QCAA AARA Applications Due Dates

The due dates for these application are dependent on the subjects you enrolled in.

- Students who ONLY take GENERAL Subjects Due 30th April 2022
- Students who take BOTH GENERAL & SEE Subjects Due 31st May 2022

SENIOR EXTERNAL SUBJECTS*	GENERAL SUBJECTS
Ancient History	Biology
Chemistry	English
Math Methods	General Maths
Modern History	Philosophy & Reason
Physics	Psychology

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COMPASS

In 2022, Hubbard's has adopted Compass as our school management system. This application will allow us to better communicate with families, streamline our processes, ensure our data is safe and secure and provide an all-round better experience for students, staff and parents.

Further information on the parent portal and how to access will be provided soon.



Functionality for parents within the Compass parent portal includes the ability to:

- Monitor your child's attendance and enter in explanations for late arrivals or absences.
- Communicate with your child's teachers and update your family contact details.
- View 'My News', a news feed of school announcements, alerts and updates.
- View your child's timetable and the school calendar.

ACCOUNTS

For any queries relating to school fees, please email our Accounts team. They will endeavour to respond as soon as possible. Contact <u>accounts@hubbards.qld.edu.au</u>



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SIGN IN/OUT PROCEDURES

Pre-Planned Departure

Any students departing school at a pre-planned time are required to complete an 'Early Departure' form and provide this to their teacher upon commencement of class. Parents are required to notify the school of this 'early departure' prior to the student leaving.

Similarly, if a student is knowingly arriving late to the class, parents are to notify the school and a 'Late Arrival' form is to be completed by the student at the front desk when they arrive at school and hand to the teacher upon arrival.

Unplanned Departure

In the event where a student is departing school early without parent consent i.e. due to illness, parents will be advised via phone or text message of student departing the school grounds. If a student is deemed unfit to leave the school without the consent of a parent/guardian, every effort will be made to contact parent/guardians to arrange transport for the student.

Unplanned Late Arrival

In the event where a student arrives late to class, a 'Late Arrival' form is to be completed at the front desk and provided to the teacher. If this is a reoccuring issue for a student, parents may be informed of a potential behaviour pattern.



Contact with our Principal

Parents, guardians and students are always welcome to meet with the Principal, Cathy Pappalardo to discuss anything! You may contact Cathy via phone, email or by appointment.

Feedback

If there is something in particular that you would like to hear about or see featured in this newsletter or if you have any feedback, please let us know.

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