

#### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The coming Easter holidays are welcomed by all and in particular (I'm sure) by our students and teachers who have worked very hard since the beginning of the school year. Congratulations to all the Hubbard's students for their efforts with end-of-term assessments. We have had some great results already which augurs well for the end-of-year results. Having said that, I am aware that exam results for some may be a confidence booster and for others it may be an opportunity to change their current study routines to ensure improved results in the upcoming Internal Assessments that will be delivered between April and September this year. The Report Cards with feedback on performance and suggestions for improvement will be sent out soon after our return to school next term.

Some of our students have not only studied hard, but they have also "trained hard" in their sports, "worked hard" at their part-time jobs or "rehearsed hard" in their music, dance or drama interest areas.

It is with great pleasure and pride that I share with you the very exciting news about one of our very successful sports stars, Dannielle Jones. Danni recently competed in the Little Athletics State Championships and won:

- Qld State Champion Gold in High Jump
- ☆ Qld State Champion Gold in Discus
- Silver medal in Javelyn

Earlier this term, Danni also had a go at competing at the older age group of young adults at Qld Athletics. Danni competed in the Under 18 Women's athletics and won:

- Qld State Champion Gold medal: High Jump
- Silver medal: Javelyn throwing 37.5m New PB
- Silver medal: Discus throwing 1kg Discus 39m New PB

# Consequently, Danni qualified for Nationals across 3 disciplines!





We love to share such great success stories. Please let us know if your student would be happy to share their achievements (large or small) with our Hubbard's families.

## **Cathy Pappalardo**

### **DEPUTY'S UPDATE**

Thanks to all of the students who submitted their AARA Applications by the due date 22<sup>nd</sup> February. For new students or those who haven't yet done so but would still like to be considered for AARA, please download an AARA Form from the Resources section of the School website and ensure that the Form has been completed, signed and dated by a medical practitioner. Please ask the medical practitioner to clearly state whether the student needs extra time or rest breaks or the use of a laptop (e.g. 5 minutes extra writing time per half hour of exam time or 5 minute breaks every half hour of exam time, etc.).

Information for school leavers is available on the <u>National Careers Institute</u> website: yourcareer.gov.au/schoolleaver. The School Leavers Information Kit available on this site includes information about:

- study or training options to upskill
- financial support for further study
- how to nail a job interview
- and more!

### **UCAT**

The University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT) is a compulsory computer-based admission test for some Australian and New Zealand universities. Some universities do not require UCAT, but they may have another form of assessment, such as interviews and academic qualifications. In particular, the UCAT assists universities to select applicants with their most desired abilities and aptitudes for demanding courses of study in the following areas: dentistry, medicine and some clinical science degrees. Pearson VUE administers these tests.

All **eligible** applicants who would like to attempt to gain entry to Australian and New Zealand universities in 2024 for medical, dental and some clinical science degrees need to be aware of the following dates:

- Concession Scheme and Access Arrangements opened on 1 February 2023 (applicants with an Australian Health Care Card or a Pensioner Concession issued by Centrelink are eligible for a reduced fees for the test
- QCAT opened on 1 March 2023
- Application deadline for Concession Scheme 10 May 2023
- Access Arrangements close on 17 May 2023
- Booking close on 17 May at 11.59 pm AEST
- Late bookings close on 31 May 2023 at 11.59 pm.

Please click the link **Booking your Test** to commence the application process.

### **NEW STAFF MEMBER**

We'd like to extend a warm welcome to Leah Palmer who has been recruited to assist with Reception and Administration duties. Leah will start at Hubbard's from the 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2023.

Please join us in welcoming Leah to our team on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from the beginning of next term.

### **SCHOOL JERSEYS**

All Hubbard's School students who are interested in ordering a school jersey are reminded to put their names down on the Jersey Order Form posted on the notice board at school. All requests need to be submitted no later than the 21st April, 2023.

Students can select a name that they would like to have on the back of their jersey. As a guide, the price of the jerseys in 2022 was approximately \$70. Payment of orders will need to be collected by Evangeline prior to submission of the final order to the manufacturers.

## **SENIOR EXTERNAL EXAMINATIONS**

#### PHYSICS AND CHEMISTRY STUDENTS ONLY

Students enrolled in Physics and Chemistry are reminded that they will need to register for the Senior External Examinations through the QCAA website. Registrations for SEE exams is required by the 30<sup>th</sup> June. Registrations after this date will incur a late fee.

Once you have registered to sit the examinations in either or both of these two subjects at the end of the year, please forward the SEE Registration confirmation email to: <a href="mailto:admin@hubbards.qld.edu.au">admin@hubbards.qld.edu.au</a>.

Please note that students enrolled in General subjects are already registered by the School for their exams through the QCAA Portal and no further action is required on your part.

If you have any questions regarding this, please contact the School and one of the administration staff members may be able to assist you.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

If students are absent for 3 consecutive days of their scheduled classes, a <u>Medical Certificate</u> is to be provided to the School. Without a Medical Certificate that explains a student's absence on the date of a scheduled exam, there will be no consideration for deferred assessments. Similarly, assignment extensions will only be considered if the student provides a supporting medical certificate. An application for Assessment Extension or deferred Test Form is available in the "Resources" section on our School website.

## **HAPPY EASTER HOLIDAYS**

On behalf of the teachers and administrative staff at Hubbard's, I'd like to wish everyone a safe and happy Easter holiday. We look forward to seeing you back on 17<sup>th</sup> April after a well-deserved break.

Kind regards,

Cathy and the team at Hubbard's

March, 2023