

CHSC BEGINNING OF TERM 3 UPDATE

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to Term 3. I hope everyone enjoyed the break. This is our busiest term of the year starting with an Enrolment Open Day on Saturday 3 August 12noon to 3pm. Please invite friends and family who are considering enrolling at the Senior College to come and join us.

Exam and Final Assessment Preparation

Year 12 students are also getting ready for their Trial Examinations which commence in week 4 and hand in of Major Works. The Year 11 final assessment period occurs at the end of the term. The secret to success is be well prepared, be positive and focused. It is quite normal to feel some anxiety around exam time.

My recommendation is to start now – don't leave everything until the night before because cramming does not work. You should be taking notes, making summaries, testing yourself, attending the Study Centre, talking to your teachers and following their advice.

If you are not coping with your studies you should see your class teacher first and if you need additional assistance Vicki Greer our Learning Support Coordinator is available from Monday to Thursday. Ryan Squires our counsellor is also available on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday most weeks. Lynda Shrubb our Careers Advisor can clarify NESA and HSC requirements if these are concerning you.

Student Leadership Group

Congratulations to Allana Ryan-Silvia who has been selected as President and Brea Watts, Vice President of the Student Leadership Group. The President and Vice President are supported by an enthusiastic committed Executive team of Georga Burton, Ashleigh Geddes, Harry Hazell Pickering, Ryan Pickstone and Lachy Sole.

At this time last year I wrote about how we were re-imagining what 'student voice' looks like in a senior college setting where we haven't known each other since Year 7. I am pleased that Allana, Brea and the Executive team clearly understand the importance of student voice and are excited about the opportunities available here.

Coffs Cup Half Day Public Holiday

The NSW government has declared a local part day public holiday for the Coffs Harbour City Council area from 12noon on Thursday 1 August 2019. Consequently, the college will be close and classes will not run from 12 noon on that day. Busways will operate under their normal timetable, Forest Coaches have cancelled their afternoon school services for the day.

Best wishes to everyone for a busy term ahead.

Dianne Marshall PSM

INFORMATION FOR YEAR 12 STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS

There are a number of events planned to celebrate the end of Year 12. The Year 12 Graduation is a formal occasion where you might consider enjoying lunch afterwards as a way of continuing the celebration.

The Formal is a more relaxed occasion where students socialise with each other, have their photos taken and dance. Each year the formal reflects the changing requirements of our students.

Year 12 Graduation Practice, Afternoon Tea and Mentor Session

On Tuesday 24th September from 2pm to 4pm Year 12 students will attend a Year 12 Graduation Practice in D Theatre, followed by afternoon tea with teachers followed by an opportunity to catch up with mentor teachers.

Year 12 Graduation Ceremony

Wednesday 25th September

Grand Auditorium, CEX Coffs Harbour, Vernon St, Coffs Harbour.

Students to arrive by 10am.

Parents/guests to begin being seated at 10:15am

Ceremony starts at 11am and will conclude at approximately 1pm.

Students can have no more than THREE guests at the graduation ceremony.

Year 12 Formal

Thursday 26th September

6.30 pm to 10:30 pm

Doors will open at 6:00pm and will close at 7pm

Grand Auditorium, CEX Coffs Harbour, Vernon St, Coffs Harbour.

Students can have TWO additional guests at the formal. See information below.

Formal Tickets

- \$75 per person. The cost of the ticket covers venue and security, two course meal; tea/coffee; room decoration; photo booth (including access to digital images) and entertainment.
- Full payment is to be made at the administration office **no part payments of tickets** will be accepted.
- Table seating will be 10 persons per table (a seating plan is available and seats will be allocated at the time of payment). You are advised to organise your table group beforehand and indicate this to Admin staff upon payment. Your allocation at a table will only be confirmed upon payment.
- Please indicate any dietary requirements/restrictions at time of payment. This will be indicated on your ticket which will double as a place card, in this instance, for accurate meal allocation on the night.
- Please be advised that students will be able to purchase a ticket for themselves and TWO ADDITIONAL GUESTS ONLY (a total of THREE tickets maximum). This is due to the large number of students in Year 12. Students may choose not to buy any additional tickets or only one but may not exceed three tickets.
- Please do not contact the college to request a variation to guest arrangements or special consideration to amend guest numbers at the formal for individual students as this is not something that can be offered equally amongst the student group.
- We urge ALL parents to take the opportunity to attend the Year 12 Graduation Ceremony the day prior as a way to celebrate the end of your child/guardian's formal schooling. Please see information above regarding this event.

No refund of ticket cost will be given for non-attendance on the night.

Formal tickets will be available for purchase from Wednesday 7th August to Friday 6th September. Ticket sales will cease on Friday 6th September to enable final numbers to be given to the venue.

Formal Dress Code and Code of Conduct

This can be as formal as students wish. The minimum dress standard for boys is a dressy shirt and trousers. NO JEANS. Suit hire can be arranged through a number of venues in Coffs Harbour. Girls should keep in mind the formal nature of the event and dress accordingly. CEX Dress code will also need to be met. NO BARE FEET OR THONGS!

A photo booth and space for personal photography will be available on the night. Photo booth images are instant and are included in ticket cost. Digital copies of these images will also be available on line. Many students and parents also gather at the Jetty Foreshores before the event to take photographs.

Attendance at the Formal is conditional on each student attending the Year 12 Graduation ceremony on Wednesday 25th September.

As this is a formal college function, college rules and expectations apply. **NO ALCOHOL** will be served at the function or is to be brought into the venue due to Department of Education policy. There will be a bar in operation outside the Grand Auditorium for the purchase of soft drinks and juice. Any person who leaves the first floor of the venue in the course of the night will be barred from re-entering the event. Coffs Harbour Senior College staff and the CEX reserve the right to refuse entry to, or remove, any person whose behaviour is inappropriate. The Formal is an opportunity for students to celebrate and these rules are in place to ensure that everyone has an enjoyable and memorable evening.

Further reminders regarding both the Year 12 Graduation Ceremony and the Formal will be given to students closer to the events.

Year 12 References

Year 12 students can request a college reference be written for them – applications are available online by no later than 16 September 2019. The reference will be posted to students, along with their text book bond refund, after they have returned their textbooks and completed the signing out process. If an early reference is required for a scholarship application, students are to organise this with their mentor and inform the Director when the reference is required.

If you would like to receive a college reference, you will need to complete the Google Form attached to this link.

bit.ly/chscreference

Remember that you need to be signed in to your DoE provided Gmail account (<u>studentID@education.nsw.gov.au</u>) NOT a personal account.

If you have any issues, please contact christopher.webb@det.nsw.edu.au

CHEC GYM FACILITY UPDATE

From Monday July 1 Southern Cross Campus Services will be opening the renewed Coffs Harbour Sports Centre Gym. We are delighted to be able to offer access to this service free of cost for all Southern Cross University, Senior College and TAFE NSW staff and students. Please see below for access details-

Please complete the online Physical Activity Readiness Questionnaire (PAR-Q)- link here, then take your student/staff card to the CHEC security office where the chip in your student/staff card will be updated with RFID access to T Block. You will then be able to scan yourself in and out of the building and access the gym facilities. Please note, that in the case of minors (Under 18years) additional parental/guardian sign off may be required for facility access.

Part of the gym floor is in the process of being converted to a virtual Les Mills group fitness area, the first of its kind in Coffs Harbour. Once registering for access you will be emailed the group fitness schedule and are welcome to participate in our suite of group fitness classes in addition to the cardio and strength training equipment.

Additional information:

- Gym hours are from 7am-10pm Monday to Friday (no access on weekends)
- Users identified as high risk (as per the PAR-Q) will require a note from a doctor for access and be required to wear a duress lanyard whilst in the facility.
- At times there will be both academic and commercial bookings in the court space and gym which will take priority of use.
- The facility will be under CCTV supervision and any breaches to the code of conduct will result in facility access termination.

We are delighted to be able to offer this wonderful new innovation to our campus community.

For any enquiries, please contact sportscentre@scu.edu.au

COLLEGE CALENDAR

For the most up to date version always refer to the college website: http://www.seniorcollege.com.au/full-calendar/

Term 3 2019

- 22 July Staff Development Day
- 23 July Students Return
- 31 July Year 11 & Year 12 Post Options Expo 9am 10am MPC
- 31 July Year 12 Preparing for University 10am 11am D Theatre
- 1 August Coffs Cup Half Day Public Holiday
- 3 August (Saturday) Enrolment Open Day 12pm 3pm
- 5 August HSC Society and Culture PIP hand in
- 6 8 August HSC Showcase Nights D Theatre 6pm 9:30pm
- 12 August Industrial Tech Major Projects completion and hand in
- 12 August 27 August Year 12 Trial Exams
- 19 August HSC Textiles & Design Major Projects completion & hand in
- 22 August Year 11 Mentor Session 9am 11am (Note: Date change)
- 23 August HSC English Extension 2 Major Projects completion & hand in
- 26 August HSC Drama Projects completion & hand in
- 29 August HSC Design & Tech Major Projects completion & hand in
- 2 September HSC Visual Arts Bodies of Work completion & hand in
- 9 September HSC Music Submitted Works completion & hand in
- 16-27 September Year 11 Assessment Period
- 24 September Year 12 Graduation Practice & afternoon tea 2pm 4pm
- 25 September Year 12 Graduation, 11am, Cex
- 26 September Year 12 Formal, Cex
- 27 September Last day of Term 3

Term 4 2019

14 October – Day 1 students and staff