

QUAKERS HILL HIGH SCHOOL

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5 DECEMBER 2023 CALENDAR DATES FOR TERM 4 2023

Tues 5 Dec	QCCP Day, Debating Club 3pm-4.30pm
Wed 6 Dec	Support Unit Wrap Up 10.45am-12.15pm
Thurs 7 Dec	Uniform Shop open 5-7pm
Fri 8 Dec	Service to School/Sports Assembly 9.30am-11am
Mon 11 Dec	Presentation Day Ceremony Periods 1 & 2; Yr 10 printed reports distributed; Yr 7-10 reports published on parent portal; P & C Meeting 7pm
Tues 12 Dec	Debating Club 3pm-4.30pm
Wed 13 Dec	Jamberoo excursion
Thurs 14 Dec	HSC Results released; HSC breakfast 8am-9.30am
Fri 15 Dec	Last day for students; Bumper Contact Term 4
Mon 18 Dec	Uniform Shop open 8am -10am

TERM 1 2024

17, 18 & 19 Jan	Uniform Shop open 8am-11am
Mon 29 Jan	Uniform Shop open 8am-11am
30th & 31st Jan	Uniform Shop open 4pm-6pm
Thurs 1 Feb	Years 7, 11 & 12 students start Uniform shop open by appointment only 3pm-5pm
Fri 2 Feb	Years 8, 9 & 10 students start; Uniform shop open by appointment only 3pm-5pm

**UNIFORM SHOP OPEN EVERY
MONDAY 8.10AM—9.30AM**



IMPORTANT NEWS FOR STUDENTS & PARENTS

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to Quakers Hill High School!

Over the last two weeks we have hosted Orientation events for our incoming Year 7 students for 2024. This involved an orientation evening for students and families to learn about the school, purchase uniform and backpacks, and chat with staff and students. Feedback from parents and students was very positive, with particular comments about the helpfulness of our student volunteers. Thank you to Linda Robertson and the 15 community volunteers who gave up their time to staff the uniform shop – a great service for our community and an important way that we are assisting families with cost of living pressures by making uniform as affordable as possible.

On Tuesday last week we then hosted Orientation Day for Year 6 students. They had a great taste of high school and some exciting activities including an Amazing Race. By all accounts students are feeling more confident about high school as a result and have a better understanding of the differences between primary and high school. We look forward to their first day of next year—Thursday 1 Feb 2024. A huge thank you from me to Ms Lechevre and the whole team for organising these events. I know our incoming Year 7 students will be well looked after by Ms McCure, Ms Maricic all the team in 2024.

That's a wrap

We celebrated our 30th birthday as a school with a wonderful display of talent at the Creative Arts Showcase evenings last week. With over 100 performers each night and dozens of artists' works on display, the events were a fantastic showcase of talent. We had students from every year group plus former students (alumni) represented in what was one of the highlights of the year. Thank you to all the students and staff involved, particularly our Creative Arts, Technology and Communications teams. We also had many staff giving up their time on one or both evenings to support the events with supervision, logistics and administration. Of course, no event could occur without the support of our parents and community. We had a great turnout on both nights and money raised will support the purchase of new equipment and celebrations of our 30th Anniversary.

Jason White, Principal



IMPORTANT NEWS FROM BUSWAYS

From Sunday, 10 December 2023, the bus services provider previously known as **Busways Western Sydney** will change their name to **Busways R1 Pty Ltd**.

There will be no change for students with an existing Opal card. Transport will update these student entitlements to be listed under the new operator and have **Busways R1 Pty Ltd**.

For new SSTS School Opal card applications, students, parents or guardians will need to nominate **Busways R1 Pty Ltd** as their bus operator.

STUDENT INTERNET PROGRAM

To boost education opportunities and narrow the digital divide, the Australian Govt is providing up to 30,000 eligible families with no internet at home a free National Broadband Network (NBN) service.

To be eligible, a family must:

- Have a child living at home that is enrolled in an Australian school.
- Have no active broadband service over the NBN network.
- Live in a premise where they can access a standard NBN service.
- Not have had an active NBN service during the previous 14 days

To check your eligibility, follow these simple steps.

Contact the National Referral Centre, operated by Anglicare Victoria, on 1800 954 610 (Mon–Fri, 10am–6pm AEDT), www.anglicarevic.org.au/student-internet



[Student Internet Program - Anglicare Victoria](http://www.anglicarevic.org.au)

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- The National Referral Centre team will help assess your eligibility for the SSBI, by checking several things including your residential address and current financial situation.
- If eligible, you will be issued a voucher which can be redeemed at any of the participating SSBI retail service providers. The National Referral Centre will also be available to assist with contacting your SSBI retail service provider of choice and providing follow-up support.

GOLD AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students on receiving their Gold Principal's Award:

Year 7

Cooper Feltham
David Thompson x 2
Cosmo Traini
Sam Trovato

Year 8

Ray Aung
Sienna Cuschieri x 2

Year 9

Asdaq Ashraf
Catalina Landerer
Amber Tupper
Oliver Ward
Hannah Atkins

Year 10

Akira Jones
Kaleb Sciberras
Agampreet Kaur x 2

Year 11

Peter Madrid
Robert Trovato



Create a Study Aesthetic That Suits You: Unleash Your Unique Style

As the end of year approaches, it might be time to give your study space at home a makeover in the holidays. Curating a study space that resonates with your individuality can fuel your productivity and elevate your focus at home. Here's your guide to creating a study sanctuary that speaks to your personality and enhances your academic journey.

1. Personalized Study Implements: Say goodbye to generic pens and plain notebooks. Elevate your study game with stationery that reflects your personal style. Opt for pens with unique designs, notebooks that showcase your favourite colours, and post-it notes that bring a touch of personality to your notes. Consider a unique mug or water bottle for your go-to study drink, adding a touch of flair to your workspace. Let your study tools be an extension of your individuality.



2. Vision Board Magic: Create a vision board that tells the story of your academic journey. Pin up quotes that inspire you, images that represent your goals, and anything else that sparks motivation. Your vision board should be a visual representation of the dreams and aspirations that drive your study sessions.

3. Tech Accessories with Flair: Give your tech a personal touch. Choose a laptop case that aligns with your style—whether it's sleek and minimalist or vibrant and expressive. Think about using stickers to personalise your technology.

4. Clean and Comfortable Atmosphere: Ensure your study area is inviting and comfortable. Clear away unnecessary clutter, ensure the room is aired out often, and arrange your space in a way that promotes a sense of calm. A clean and comfortable atmosphere can do wonders for concentration and make your study sessions more enjoyable.



5. Tailor Your Space to Your Needs: Your study space should cater to your unique needs and preferences. If you like colour, incorporate visual aids and color-coded materials. If you thrive in a quiet environment, invest in noise-cancelling headphones or cheap ear plugs from Bunnings. Tailoring your space to your needs ensures that your study sessions are both effective and enjoyable.

In essence, creating a study aesthetic is about infusing your study space with elements that resonate with your personality and goals. It's not about conforming to a traditional setup, but rather about creating a personalised space where your academic journey truly comes to life. Happy studying!

Check out the unit in the **Study Skills Handbook** on **HOME STUDY ENVIRONMENT** to learn more about improving your study space.

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