Charters Towers State High School



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Principal Update – 2nd February 2022

Good afternoon Parents, Guardians and Community members,

It is getting close now, where we can finally welcome our fabulous students back to school for face-to-face learning on Monday 7th February. On behalf of the Charters Towers State High School team I thank you again for your patience and assure you that are all truly looking forward to our students returning!

Please note I will send out a separate email to all parents/carers in regards to Back to School – COVID information.

New Bell times/Timetable structure – This year we are driven to improve student outcomes and after thorough consultation with our school community we are launching a new timetable structure that changes to a 4 x 70 min lesson model. I truly believe this will assist our students to fully engage with their learning as the 105min lessons where certainly difficult for both staff and students. To ensure that we maximise learning time, we have also removed transition times between classes. The school day will now begin at 9.00am and finish at 3.00pm daily.

Welcome to new staff – I am thrilled to welcome four new staff members to our school. Selena Salter is the new Senior School Deputy Principal; she brings with her many years of experience in the Deputy role. We also welcome our new and enthusiastic teaching staff members, Gabrielle Fletcher, Josh Davy and Scott Lorenz.

Leadership roles for 2022 – This year we have an outstanding leadership team who are truly committed to the success of our students. We have established a clear behaviour management system with the following staff leading the relevant year levels. Please feel free to call the school if you wish to speak to the relevant staff member on 07 4754 6555 or contact via email.

Acting Principal – Leanne Knight-Smith E: principal@charterstowersshs.eq.edu.au Deputy Principal – Selena Salter (Yr 11 & 12) E: sxsal0@eq.edu.au Deputy Principal – Damien Pressley (Yr 9 & 10) E : dpres11@eq.edu.au Deputy Principal – Coralie Gunn (Inclusion, Yr 7 & 8) E: cgunn10@eq.edu.au Year Level Manager (Yr 11&12) – Rachael Jackson E: rjack94@eq.edu.au Year Level Manager (Yr 10) – Derek Copelin E: dcope4@eq.edu.au Year Level Manager (Yr 9) – Georgina Thomas E: gthom197@eq.edu.au Year Level Manager (Yr 8) – Kate Peucker E: kdpeu0@eq.edu.au Year Level Manager (Yr 7) – Grace Laundon E: gelau0@eq.edu.au

First day procedures - On Monday 7th February all students will start at 9.00am – students are to meet at the following areas in year level groups: Year 7 & 8: Undercover Area/Basketball Courts Year 9: Wellbeing Hub grassed area Year 10: Seating outside the tuckshop area

Years 11 & 12: Hall

Stationery Packs/Laptops – All of our students who have opted in to our SRS and One2One School Laptop program will receive stationery packs on Monday 7th Feb and Laptops during the first week (if not already allocated).

Best wishes

Leanne Knight-Smith A/Principal Developing the individual in a caring environment

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Established 1912 A proud history

- Individualised educational/learnin pathways
- Dedicated team of professional state
- Wide range of academic and voc subjects

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