

## **Charters Towers State High School**

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Principal Update - 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022 Good afternoon Parents, Guardians and Community members,

Student Leadership Investiture The highlight of the week this week was celebrating and acknowledging our magnificent young leaders at our Investiture ceremony. We thank our Mayor, Mr Frank Beveridge and Principal of Millchester State School, Mr Paul Thorpe for joining us as our special guests. It was truly wonderful to see so many parents come along to the ceremony and then join us for the sensational morning tea. Again, I acknowledge and thank the many staff members who assisted with the ceremony, special thanks to Selena Salter for the organisation of this important event. Look out for some fabulous photos on Facebook, celebrating our amazing Charters Towers State High School young leaders.

Bullying no Way celebration — Charters Towers State High school proudly supports the Anti-Bullying campaign and promotes the theme of "Kindness Culture, it starts with you" Our student council coordinated our school's acknowledgement of this very important campaign this week under the guidance of our Student council mentors Mr Von and Ms Chapman. The celebrations included a student pledge to anti-bullying, photo booth and of course a delicious sausage sizzle for all of our school community. To see our students, work together to present this event was wonderful, again I cannot express how proud I am of our students, this school is an amazing school with the BEST students!!

Attendance - This has been a difficult start to the schooling year for all, however please ensure your children attend school when it is possible. Every day counts with education, we need to maximise every learning opportunity for our students. Please remember to call the school if your child is away due to illness, etc to explain their absence. Our School improvement agenda has a sharp focus upon improving attendance rates, please help us to achieve our goal! The student absence number is 4754 6560 or please respond to the text message you receive notifying you of the absence.

School photo day— Please mark the date for our school photo day —Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March. Our students have already received the information from Advanced Life photographers, if your child did not receive one please ask them to collect the photo envelope from Student Services. Please note the preferred payment method is using the online link included in this information. As regular practice, full school uniform is required for photo day. We will also be taking group photos on the day and student leaders are expected to be in full formal uniform and meet outside the Administration block at 8am please.

Best wishes

Leanne Knight-Smith

A/Principal

