



SANDGATE DISTRICT STATE HIGH SCHOOL

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Principal's News

Engaged in Learning in 2021

Welcome to families new to Sandgate District State High and welcome back to all of our established families.

It has been a busy but very productive start to the year for our 1140 students and 160 staff.

Our focus is very much on all members of our school being engaged in learning. We continue to build our capacity and achievement through a continued focus on building curriculum expertise, improving writing and provide quality feedback to all learners in the school.

Our Seniors of 2020 finished their time here with great style and their results reflected great commitment towards success. A significant percentage have received offers for study at tertiary level with their first or second performance.

One particular graduate from 2020, Saryan Khanal, returned to school with his proud parents to receive the highest academic award the school offers – DUX 2020. Congratulations to Saryan and best wishes on his journey in the medical profession.

Our seniors of 2021 have begun the year with great enthusiasm and teamwork and I look forward to watching their leadership develop during this year.

The first Parents & Citizens meeting for 2021 is tonight (Wednesday 17th February) in the school library. This is NOT the AGM it is a general meeting where all parents especially new parents are welcome to come along, meet the continuing members and see how we engage with our community.



Phil Campbell
Principal

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DUX 2020



The school community recently came together to welcome back 2020 senior student Saryan Khanal and his parents to the school. Mr Campbell presented Saryan with the award of 2020 Dux on behalf of the school and the Parents and Citizens Association. The P&C sponsor this award which is presented to the student with the highest recorded ATAR for the calendar year. Congratulations Saryan.

Blazer Presentation 2021

Early this term, the School Captains, Serge Biasse and Emily Sullivan, along with Vice Captains Joshua Bowman and Autumn Watson were presented with their Senior Blazers by Mr Campbell. The student leaders wear these blazers when they are representing the school on formal occasions.



Year 12 Senior Induction



In 2016 over 200 eager and nervous Year 7 students entered the gates at Sandgate. On Wednesday 10 February these now, confident and matured students were inducted as seniors at Sandgate. They were welcomed with a formal event with family and friends in support, and our special guests Ms Anika Wells Federal MP for Lilley and Mr Phil Campbell Sandgate DSHS Principal. We thank our leaders for their organisation and input into the event. A big thank you to Mrs O'Connor and Miss Butterworth for their organisation and to Mrs Ryan for her contribution. Wishing all of our 12s a happy and successful senior year.



Junior Secondary News

Welcome to all of our new families and our families returning from 2020. If I have not already done so, I hope to be able to catch up with you over the coming term. I welcome back our existing team of teachers, many of which are taking on new year-levels, and acknowledge all the new members joining our team. It really is great to have them be a part of our community and of our wonderful school:

I would like to commend our community on the manner in which you have prepared your children for school with a full school uniform, black shoes- correct socks and hat. It really makes a difference to successful learning when parents support their students and the school as you do. I look forward to a wonderful and exciting year ahead working alongside you all as we continue to work together to provide the best education for your child.

I would like to remind parents that our **Junior School Assembly will be held each Monday at 8.45 am in the Sports Hall**. All Junior Students are expected to be Work Ready-dressed in full formal uniform and on time to this assembly.

Ms Bronwen Schultz – Head of Junior Secondary

Student Personal Development Snapshot:

Our Personal Develop Program for students (YPD) for 2021 will be targeting a number of very important organisational foci- including how your child uses a Student Organiser (Student Diary)- our SDSHS Bookwork Expectations and using SMART Goal Setting to plan for future success.

You can help your child by asking about these priorities and supporting them to become better through their use.

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Bookwork Expectations

Follow the steps below to correctly format your bookwork:

1. Rule a margin on each new page. Use a red pen and the width of your (2 1/2 cms) to help keep this consistent.
2. Rule a top line and a bottom line on each page in red pen.
3. Write the full date in the margin space for each new day.
4. Each new unit of work gets a cover page that you create and colour.
5. Give your new task a heading and underline it with a ruler in red pen.
6. At the end of each piece of work for the day, left 1 blank line and then rule off with red pen from the margin to edge of the page.
7. Make sure you have a new heading and date for each new piece of work.
8. Printed worksheets are to be cut neatly to fit on your page and glued in.
9. You may write using a sharp pencil, blue or black pen.
10. Errors are to be erased, or crossed out neatly.

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Example of a page in your book:

Date in margin: 29-02-2021

Underlined UNIT heading: UNIT 1—The Art of Persuasion

Learning intentions for each lesson:

WALT: understand concept of 'persuasion' and techniques authors use to persuade others.

WILF: identification, explanation and discussion of different places persuasion is used and why.

TIB: a persuasive writer (which will be you...) needs to examine how others use these persuasive techniques.

QUESTION: When would someone use persuasion?

- When they are trying to convince someone to buy something.
- When they are arguing a point of view.
- When they want something and they are trying to convince their Mum it is worth buying.

30-01-2021

New heading: WALT:
WILF:
TIB:

Ruled red line to separate the work for each lesson.

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Junior Leaders Induction



Junior Secondary Leaders:

The Junior Secondary Leaders Induction was held on Friday 12th with a small 'Covid safe crowd' in attendance.

I would like to congratulate the Year 9 Leaders and extend my thanks and future support to these Junior Leaders, as they work to further develop their leadership skills. *Bronwen Schultz – Head of Junior Secondary*



Year 7 News

7 of the Week (7OTW)

Each week, teachers nominate a student from their class that has consistently shown positive behaviour and our 3 B's: Be Respectful, Be Your Best and Be Work Ready.

As YLC, I will select the most deserving recipient of this esteemed award.

Congratulations to **Guy Reiss** and **Arkhe Holohan** for taking out Week 3 and Week 4 respectively.

Handball Comp - Year 7 Area

Every Friday lunch, in the Year 7 area, we will be having a doubles handball comp. Every other day of the week, all Year 7s are free to use this area for their own handball games.

Incursion Days – 4th and 5th of March

Instead of camp this year, 'Character Builders' will be coming to the school and run practical team building activities across both days. Further details and information around cost will be sent out this week. Should be a great couple of days! *Rob Smith - Year 7 Co-ordinator*

Senior Schooling News

Welcome to 2021 where our senior secondary students and teachers have hit the ground running.

Unique Student Identifier (USI)

A USI is your individual education number which stays with you for life. It details your Australian training achievements and students must have a USI if they enrol in a VET qualification or intend to study at university. By law, students in Years 10-12 will not receive any certification from VET qualifications if they do not provide a USI.

Students in Years 10-12 need to create their USI online at usi.gov.au. We thank the students who have already done this. If your student hasn't created a USI, please generate this identifier this week and email Mrs Starr at kstar59@eq.edu.au with your USI.

Students learning off-site

One of the exciting things about being part of the senior school is being able to engage in learning with external providers. Last week saw over 55 students begin engaging in either their TAFE courses or school-based apprenticeships or traineeships for 2021.

There are still a number of school-based apprenticeships and traineeships on offer for interested students, such as:

- 1st year apprentice in Refrigeration and Air Conditioning (Newstead to Caboolture)
- 1st year apprentice in Carpentry (Brisbane City) (Year 11 students only)
- Certificate II in Retail (available for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander students – North Lakes & Chermside)
- Certificate III in Business through CVM Academy (various locations)
- Certificate III in Sports & Recreation through CVM Academy (various locations)
- Certificate III in Business at City Beach at Chermside
- Certificate III in Business at Cowch, Southbank
- Certificate III in Business at Subway, Kippa-Ring
- Certificate III in Hospitality at Preston Campbell Foundation, Windsor
- Certificate III in Business Administration (Medical) at Toowong
- Certificate III Wall & Floor Tiling at Toowong
- City Beach traineeship - Chermside
- City Beach traineeship – Brookside
- Certificate III in Hospitality at KFC Deagon
- Certificate II in Retail in Fortitude Valley – 12 months (Year 12 students only)
- Certificate in Construction based at New Farm (available for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander students)

Students who are interested need to contact Mrs Starr in AG10 for application details.

You Choose- Youth Road Safety

Thank you to Melissa from You Choose- Youth Road Safety who shared her heartfelt and eye-opening story about losing her son to drink/drug driving and speeding. It was a very raw and emotional story, leaving our Year 12 students to reflect on their driving behaviours and that of their friends.

Welcome to the SDSHS Resource Centre, 2021

Staff:

Teacher in charge: Amanda Wingate

Library TA: Christine Hicks (Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri); Kylie Starr (Mon)

Text-Hire TA: Kelly Wilson (Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri)

Student Borrowing is now open:

All students can now borrow resources from the Library catalogue. Loans last for 14 days and can be extended on application. Students may borrow up to 8 titles at a time.

Library opening times for students

Mon, Tue, Wed

8:15 am – 4pm (including both breaks)

Thur, Fri

8:15am – 3pm (including both breaks)

Library open to students after school:

As per the opening times listed above, the library is open to students on selected days to ensure that they have a quiet space in which to complete homework, study and to access the physical resources in the resource centre. These after school sessions are supervised by volunteer staff and student attendance is monitored via a sign on sheet. Please note that it is the responsibility of individual student's families to arrange attendance and any changes transport arrangements.

Queensland State School Digital Library:

This resource will again be available to all students. This excellent resource of over 40 000 eBooks and audio books is available to all students in years 8-12 who have continued access from 2020. New students and year 7 students will be notified of their access via email.

Access is easy – simply choose one of the following ways to log in. Please see library staff if you have questions regarding your log in.

1. Click on the [Queensland State Schools Digital Library](#) icon on the Sandgate District SHS Intranet page. (EQMIS username required for access)
OR
2. From any device (laptop, tablet, iPad):-
<https://soraapp.com/library/eduqueenslandau>
(EQMIS username required for access)

We look forward to seeing you in the Library in 2021!

The Library Team

**CHAPPY BREAKFAST IS STARTING BACK UP THIS
FRIDAY 19TH FEB. AVAILABLE IN THE PLAZZA
FROM 8AM**

Humanities News

Welcome to 2021 from the Humanities Department. We are excited for a new year of learning and investigating through our various disciplines. Humanities at Sandgate now consists of History, Geography, Legal Studies and Civics Education, and Business. Along with our Australian Curriculum classwork we have an exciting interactive program of complimentary extra-curricular activities planned for 2021. Kicking off this year is Ancient History and Modern History.

Ancient History

Our year 11 Ancient History students represented Sandgate at their introductory archaeological dig at the Abbey Museum at Caboolture on Thursday 11th February. Students joined the Museum tour and then participated in a mock archaeological dig, using tools to uncover 'relics' from the past. This activity enabled students to bring to life aspects of their first Topic in Unit 1 Ancient 'digging up the Past'. Thank you to Mr Cunningham for making this happen!



Modern History - Courage to Care

Our annual Courage to Care program for self-nominated Year 10 students occurred on 11th and 12th February in our school Learning Centre. This multi-year level program (selected year 8 & 9 students also attended) links directly to our term 1 unit on WWII History, whereby we investigate the causes of WWII including Germany under the NAZI party. Courage to Care is a humanitarian program; an initiative of B'nai B'rith aimed to inform Australians of the dangers of prejudice and discrimination. The personal testimonials of the Jewish Holocaust survivors, and their messages of hope always has a strong impact on our students. Key messages around being an upstander not a bystander in challenging situations are workshopped with the students after the personal testimonies. This year our Humanities staff completed a Professional Development afternoon with Courage to Care, so they are able to embed the key learnings into their teaching in all year levels. Thank you to Kayla and her Courage to Care team and a special mention to our survivors: Mimi who travelled from Sydney and Suzi from the Sunshine Coast. Thank you also to Ms Makropoulos for bringing this program to Sandgate many years ago.

*Krista Cameron
Humanities HOD*



Senior Jerseys

Our Year 12 students were excited to receive their senior jerseys. Every year this acts a rite of passage for them as they enter the final year of their secondary education. If your student did not purchase a jersey and wishes to do so please see Ms Makropoulos.



Uniform Shop

Open Monday, Wednesday & Friday 7:30 -10AM

Phone No. 0410514598

Blazers can be picked up from the shop during opening hours.

Old style sports shorts \$10 each, limited sizes.

Sandgate celebrated Valentine's Day on Monday 15 February. Our senior leaders were busy delivering Valentine's Day roses to students and staff across the school.



Payments

If you have not received an invoice for the below fees you will be required to complete a ***Student Resource Scheme Participation Agreement form*** for each Scheme.

- [Textbooks & Curriculum Resources](#)
- [Laptop Charter](#)

Please complete the required SRS form and return to the Administration office.

To make a cashless payment via [BPOINT](#) (Open 24 hrs 7 days a week):

- Online – click on the BPOINT hyperlink at the bottom of your invoices/statements
- BPOINT phone line (IVR) – 1300 631 073 (you will require your Customer Reference number(CRN) and Invoice number noted on the invoice/statement)

To make a cashless payment via [QParents](#)

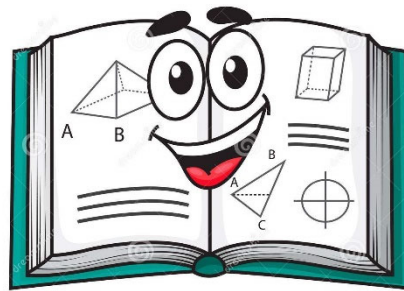
- Click the “To Pay” checkbox next to any invoice to make a payment; it is possible to make partial payments, or to pay multiple invoices at the same time.

To make a cashless payment at School - Please wait for an invoice before making your payment and ***do not send your Student to school with money if you have not been invoiced..***

- Centrepay – Contact Payments office for a Centrepay Deduction Authority form
- In person – Payments office accepts Eftpos or Credit Card (Mastercard or Visa)

If you require a copy of a Debtors Invoice or Statement please contact the Payments office - SandgateDSHS_Accounts@sandgatedistrictshs.eq.edu.au

Text hire news



Thank you for your patience as we process payments regarding text-hire (SRS) payments. Due to the number of students being processed at this time of the year, our system occasionally is delayed and student payment information is not updated before texts are requested by students. If this occurs, please remind your student that they can return to the Text-Hire office to borrow the day after payment.

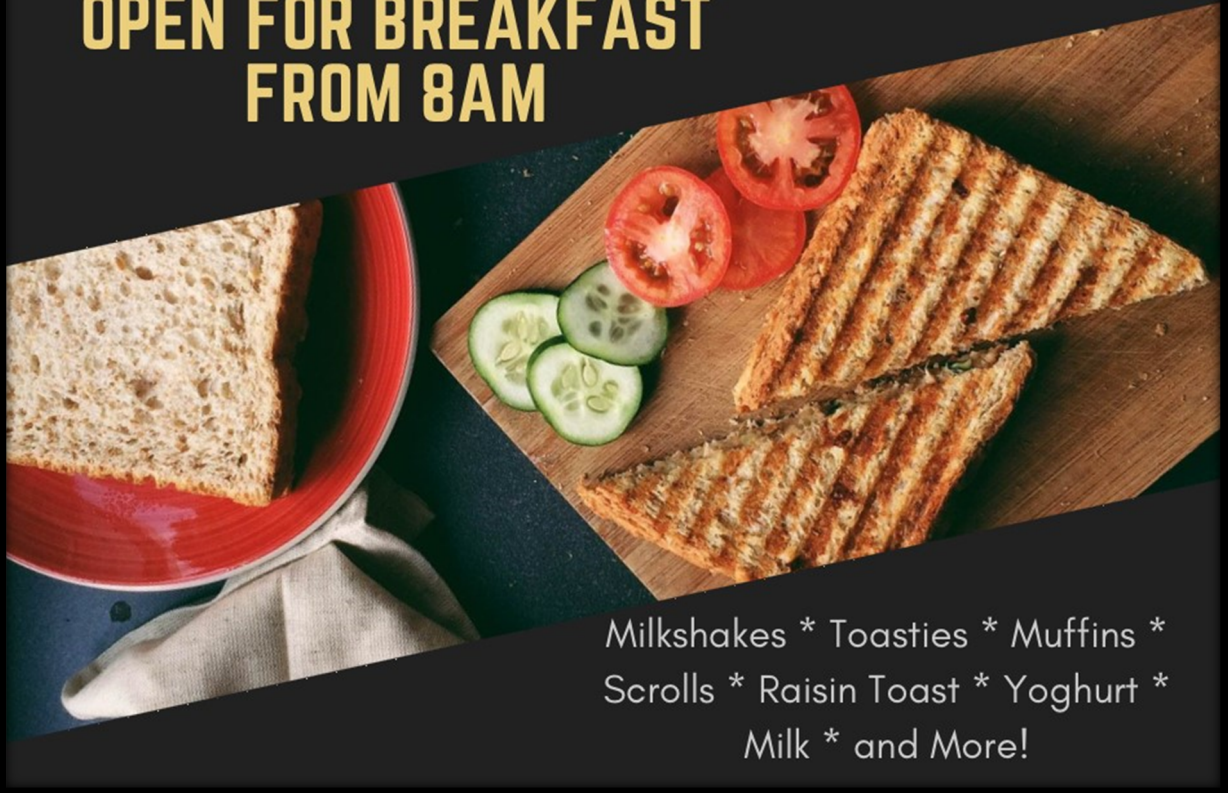
OVERDUE INVOICES – Text-Hire unreturned resources from 2020

Please note that any unreturned resources from 2020 will incur an invoice which will require payment, if applicable.

Could you please remind your student to return any outstanding resources. If students have any queries or concerns please come to the Text-hire desk to discuss further.

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**THE TUCKSHOP IS NOW
OPEN FOR BREAKFAST
FROM 8AM**



Milkshakes * Toasties * Muffins *
Scrolls * Raisin Toast * Yoghurt *
Milk * and More!

Year 7 Visual Art

The year 7 visual art students have been exploring the world of birds and considering who they share their new environment with. With an enthusiastic spirit and keen eyes, they discovered a great variety of birds, here at Sandgate. To continue their bird nerd project, studying bird specimens from the Queensland museum collection has allowed students to observe the features closely in their vibrant drawings. They have enjoyed being stickybeaks.



Senior Leaders Camp

Our Senior Leaders ventured off to Tallebudgera for their inaugural leader's camp. In regular times this would have been held at the end of Year 11 but Covid had thwarted that plan. Beneficially, the leaders were able to start the year together forming and strengthening those important bonds together on camp. Students were able to reflect on the type of leadership style they exhibit and work with each other to achieve their goals. We thank the Gold Coast Recreation Centre for hosting an incredible camp. Thank you to Chappy Rob and Mrs O'Connor for taking the time away from their regular duties to spend time with the leaders, and lastly thank you to Mr Bishop for accompanying Ms Makropoulos and the leaders on an unforgettable camp.



Parent Procedures



Student absent line 3869 9802

Leave a message any time day or night advising of students absence from school.

Website:www.sandgatedistrictshs.eq.edu.au

Check school calendar for events / download forms

PAYMENTS: All your school fees/camps/excursions:

Call 1300 631 073 or www.bpoint/payment/dete

What to do when your student is absent from school

- Phone the student absent line on **3869 9802**

What to do when your student needs to leave early

- Write a note in the student organiser on the date advising time student needs to leave. ***Parent to sign.***
- Student shows note to teacher to leave class
- Student presents to student counter to get departure slip
- Ensure you have organised pick up area with your student

What to do when your student is out of uniform

- Write a note in the student organiser on the date advising why they are out of uniform. ***Parent to sign.***

What to do when your student is late to school

- Write a note in student organiser on the date advising why they are late. ***Parent to sign***