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Curriculum 2015 - Even Better than Before

A message from the Principal...



Sandgate has taken advantage of the opportunity to restructure our curriculum with the entry of Year 7 into high school in 2015. Junior secondary school will be made up of Year 7, 8 and 9. Senior secondary will consist of Year 10, 11 and 12.

Junior Secondary Structure

In Year 7 and 8, students will study all disciplines with a focus on developing literacy, numeracy, well-being and confidence, within the context of each subject. This means all students will experience all disciplines and complete a sound general education to support their future

academic endeavours.

At Sandgate we believe that students achieve better results when they are studying subjects they like, which they good at and which will help them to achieve their post school goal. In Year 9 students will begin to specialise. All students will study Mathematics, English and Science for 3 x 70 minutes, as well as Social Science and HPE for 2 x 70 minutes and Sport 1 x 70 minutes. Students will be given a choice of 3 electives for 3 x 70 minute periods a week. Because of this structure, students at Sandgate will complete an extra Year of Science, compared to most schools, by the end of Year 9.

Senior Secondary Structure

Year 10

In Year 10, students will begin to get more choice and subjects will have a strong alignment to the Year 11 and 12 subjects. Compulsory subjects will be English (Foundation, Core or Extension Term 1-3, English or Introduction to English Communication Term 4) and Mathematics (Foundation, Core, Extension Term 1-3, Mathematics A Preparation, Mathematics B Preparation and Prevocational Mathematics Preparation Term 4). Students will then choose four other subjects from 31 offerings. Academic Achievers and Immerse IT students will stay together for English but will be grouped according to the subjects they choose for the other subjects. It would be anticipated that most AA and Immerse IT students will pursue an academic program. Students who want to pursue a vocational pathway will have the opportunity to start Cert III's in Year 10 so that the qualification can be completed by the end of Year 12. In term 3, as part of the Senior Education and Training Plan process, students will reflect on their academic performance in the subjects they have selected, what they like and what will be their pathway through Year 11 and 12 to their preferred post school option. The student's course of instruction will be refined for Term 4.

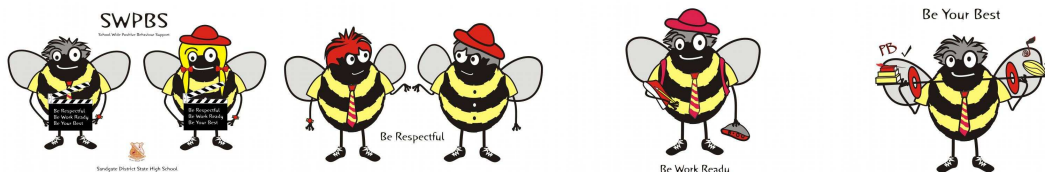
Year 11 and 12

In Year 11 and 12 the students will continue the course of instruction which was established in Term 4 Year 10 into Year 11. This structure will have the advantage of:

- Students will be able to specialise in what they like, are good at and which will help them to achieve their post school pathway earlier. Our data shows that students do much better academically when they do subjects they like and are good at.
- The gap between Year 10 and Year 11 will be reduced as students will be better prepared for their individual pathway through Year 11 and 12.
- As students have experienced subjects in Year 10, there should be less chopping and changing of subjects in Year 11 and 12, assisting students to be QCE eligible.
- Students will be able to complete Cert III qualifications while still at school.

More information will be given at Subject Selection Nights for Year 8, 9 and 10. Please make it a priority to attend one of these evenings. **The Year 8 night is scheduled for Monday 26 May 5.30-6:30 pm in the Performance Hall.**

Mrs Jeanette Gentle PRINCIPAL



**P&C MEETINGS | THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH
7PM | STAFF COMMON ROOM | ALL WELCOME
NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY 21 MAY 2014**

What's On

19 May - 6 June 2014



SEMESTER 1

TERM 2

Week 5

Monday 19 May 2014 | District Cross Country
 Tuesday 20 May 2014 | Winter Junior Sport | Round 1
 Wednesday 21 May 2014 | Winter Senior Sport | Round 2
 Wednesday 21 May 2014 | Year 12 camp | Moogerah Dam | 2 nights
 Wednesday 21 May 2014 | **P & C Meeting** | 7pm
 Friday 23 May 2014 | Career Expo | Year 10

Week 6

Monday 26 May 2014 | Year 8 Subject Selection | Performance Hall |
 Tuesday 27 May 2014 | Winter Junior Sport | Round 2
 Wednesday 28 May 2014 | Winter Senior Sport | Round 3
 Wednesday 28 May 2014 | QCS practice | Year 12
 Thursday 29 May 2014 | Year 11 Business | Medibank Private Head office

Week 7

Tuesday 3 June 2014 | Winter Junior Sport | Round 3
 Wednesday 4 June 2014 | Winter Senior Sport | Round 4
 Thursday 5 June 2014 | Year 11 & 12 Vtu & Business | Dreamworld

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Primary School Experience Days

Over the last two weeks, Sandgate District State High School has had the pleasure of hosting Year 6 and 7 students from Boondall, Bracken Ridge, Brighton, Nashville, Sandgate and Shorncliffe State Schools. The students have been involved in a range of dynamic activities aiming to unleash their curiosity and creativity.

Students have undertaken a range of scientific experiments involving electricity in our CRIMS facility that build upon the content that they have been studying at their primary schools. A visit to Industrial Arts saw them constructing and firing paper rockets across our ovals using air compressors. Students demonstrated their

creativity in designing, assembling and embellishing aeroplanes using recycled materials in our Art classrooms. The 400 planes have become a piece of installation art to be displayed to visiting families on our Open Day on 17 May.

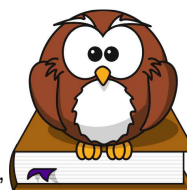
While the visiting primary students were hard at work, their teachers were treated to morning tea by our Special Education Unit's Coffee Shop before being served a three course meal prepared by our Hospitality students.

It has been a wonderful opportunity for the visiting students to experience a day in a high school setting as both year levels prepare to make the jump into high school in 2015.

Jim O'Neill | Deputy Principal

Literacy Tip for Parents #2

As a parent, it is important to set positive role models for literacy. Children learn language and increase their vocabulary by listening to the people around them. Magazines, TV shows, news, and social media sites are good opportunities to draw your child into a discussion, which develops talking and listening skills, thus improving vocabulary skills. While you're at it, see if you can get them to not say 'like' all the time!



Kirstyi Lines | Literacy Support Teacher

'400 Plane Truths' about the Visual Arts Faculty at Sandgate DSHS

During our Primary School Experience days, Mrs Rosemarie Baker taught 400 Primary School students from Shorncliffe, Sandgate, Brighton, Nashville, Boondall and Bracken Ridge how to make 400 planes over a two week period during their Experience Days while visiting SDSHS.

The concept revolved around decreasing the stress for the Year 6 and 7 students when they transition to high school in 2015 as the first Junior Secondary cohort for SDSHS.

The theme was 'Propulsion' and included the recycling of found materials gathered and donated by the school and wider community to promote sustainability.

In making the planes, students engaged in critical thinking, creating and designing, lateral problem solving and personal expression.

Years 10, 11 and 12 Senior Art students worked with all Primary School students in team teaching with Mrs Baker.

An installation of every plane was on display suspended from the ceiling in the hall for 'Sandgate On Show' Day held on Saturday 17th May. The installation reflected the intention that all Primary School students will become an integral part of the SDSHS and Junior Secondary community when they enrol for 2015. This activity links to the first 2015 SDSHS Visual Art Unit 'Journeys – Real and Imagined'.

Many thanks go to Mrs Rosemary Baker and Mr Steve Bailey for their relentless efforts in making the installation a success.

Rob Anderson | HOD Visual Arts/Middle School



Brighton State School students **Yasmin Lee** and **Hayden Mears** with their planes.

Open Day Winners

Congratulations to the winners of our Prizes from Open Day on Saturday;

2015 Curriculum Delivery Fees (valued at approximately \$270)

Seth Sheather
Year 6
Bald Hills State School.

2015 School Uniform Voucher (\$50)

Jarvis Poppleton (*pictured*)
Year 6
Brighton State School.



Science News

The 11 Physics class went to Willowbank Raceway on Thursday May 8th and investigated stopping distances of cars, effects of acceleration and deceleration. Also how modern car technologies have advanced safety on today's roads.

Marc Zandegiacomo | Acting HOD Science



Community Notices

Moreton Bay 100 - Charity Bike Ride

Moreton Bay 100 

Sunday 10 August 2014
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163 km 100 km 50 km

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Carseldine Farmers & Artisan Market

The Carseldine Farmers & Artisan Market is North Brisbane's very own genuine produce, foodie and craft market with a wide range of wares focusing on the availability of premium & in-season fresh produce from SE QLD, traditional and



gourmet foods made on the spot, market provisions made by passionate producers, growers, farmers, painters, cooks, chefs, designers, bakers, fishmongers, butchers, baristas, juicers, and all those with a skill, hobby, or flare for the sights, smells, tastes and energy of a bustling, energetic and FRESH Market every Saturday.

Packed with loads of stalls, live music, activities for the kids, and a huge seating/relaxing area, there is something for everyone at the Carseldine Farmers & Artisan Markets.



Music by the Sea

Blowing into his bamboo flute under waterfalls, practicing barefoot in the snow and in blizzards until icicles formed were tasks given to Riley Lee by traditional teachers in Japan.

Now, as Grand Master of the Shakuhachi (bamboo flute), Mr Lee has been invited to perform for Music By The Sea at 7.30pm on Saturday 7th June, at Sandgate Town Hall.

He says the concert will appeal to a wide audience. Apart from the voice and drum beats, flute sounds are the most universal sounds appreciated by all.

You'll hear a beautiful and exotic instrument that is familiar enough, but that won't take you out of your comfort zone.





Younger people are attracted because it's interesting and unusual. Others who appreciate the natural world like that the bamboo flute is as close to nature as you can get. Musicians love it because of the wide range of tonal colours and timbres, and that it takes decades to be able to make quality sounds. And looking after your body and mind through relaxation is mainstream these days, so anyone into taking care their health, and the yoga and meditation people also love it.

Riley has performed in Hawaii, New Mexico, Texas, California, Switzerland, Japan and throughout Australia. He has made over fifty commercially released recordings which are sold worldwide on

a number of labels.

He has recently completed a project conceived and recorded by an 18 year old high school student in the USA. The modern fusion of sounds will be released on CD in 2015.

His advice for young music students is, "If your studying, just follow your bliss. You get good at what you enjoy doing. Because you do it a lot, it's not difficult doing what you enjoy over a long time. It just takes a long time."

Tickets are Adult \$30 - Concession \$25 - Children under 12 admitted FREE.

For program information go to musicbythesea.com.au.

IMAGEN8 festival

An Invitation to all Students in Years 4-9!

St Paul's School invites students from Years 4-9 to be part of Imagen8 Festival on **Wednesday 2 and Thursday 3 July 2014**.

Imagen8 is a unique school holiday event – a celebration of innovation, creativity and imagination – offering 2 days of creative workshops, presentations and entertainment!

This year our program is bigger and better than ever with **special guest presenter, Australian Jazz Icon, JAMES MORRISON**. James Morrison plays 36 musical instruments and will perform several pieces as well as share insights from his inspiring life story.

In 2014, we also have **26 different workshops** on offer....

From App Design to Forensic Science, Theatre Sports to Robotics... there's something for everyone at Imagen8! Workshops will be conducted by St Paul's School staff and community, and invited guest facilitators including Robogals UQ (robotics), Flipside Circus (circus skills), Shakespeare Hip Hop Rap Artist Charlie Thomson, Impromafia Theatre Sports, renowned children's author, Pat Flynn, and the Brisbane chapter of Young Scientists Australia.

All of the details are included in the **flyer below**.

Parents can take advantage of our **Early Bird Offer (until May 31)** and **save \$10.00** off the registration fee!

Book early and beat the rush – popular workshops sell out fast! Students must pre-register to attend at www.imagen8.com.au

Lunchtime entertainment will include a rock climbing wall, face painting street entertainment and fun activities.

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- Circus Skills
- Robotics
- Cupcake Creations
- Theatre Sports
- App Design
- Film and TV
- Wearable Art
- Destination Japan
- Barista for a Day
- Creative Writing
- Paper Superheroes
- Forensic Science
- Learn the Ukulele
- Product Innovation
- Drums and Percussion
- Planning a Party
- The Science of Colour
- Sing Your Heart Out
- Lights Camera Action
- Drama - you the Creator!
- From Doodling to Design
- Avatar Web Animation
- Crazy Fun Kitchen Science
- Pizza Making Modo Mio
- HipHoperation - Design a Rap!

For program details and to register: www.imagen8.com.au

Register today!

Early Bird offer applies

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This link is also available on our School Website at www.sanddistshs.eq.edu.au

Paper copies are available for collection (each fortnight) from the student foyer, for families who do not have access to the internet.

Sandgate DSHS Online Communities

In 2012, Sandgate DSHS has launched into the 21st Century and have set up official Facebook and Twitter accounts. Regular updates from the school calendar and messages about upcoming events are fed into the social network. During the school closure in January this year, Twitter and Facebook served as a fundamental tool to keep the community up to the date with the flooding in surrounding areas. Direct links to the official Sandgate High Twitter and Facebook pages can be accessed through the school's website (<https://sanddistshs.eq.edu.au/>). Alternatively, please click on the links below to access the portals.



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