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## PRINCIPAL

Dear Centenary SHS parents and carers,

We have recently collaborated with staff and some students to reinvigorate the classroom visual for what is required to be ready to learn each lesson. I would like to take this opportunity to remind our school community about the importance of being "Centenary Ready." At Centenary SHS, we believe that preparation is the foundation of success, and ensuring that students are equipped and ready to learn each day is a key part of this.

To support our moral purpose of fostering **positive relationships** and a strong sense of **belonging** so all learners **flourish**, we ask all students to come to school prepared with the following essential items:

1. **Pencil Case and Notebook:** These are fundamental tools for active participation in lessons and for taking notes that support learning and revision.

2. **Charged Device:** In today's digital learning environment, a charged device is crucial for accessing resources, completing tasks and engaging with online learning platforms.

3. **Diary and ID Card:** The student diary is an invaluable organisational tool for recording homework, assessment dates and important reminders. The ID card ensures smooth access to school services and facilities including toilet blocks.

4. **Phone Away for the Day:** To maintain a focused and distraction-free learning environment, we ask all students to adhere to our "Phone Away for the Day" policy. This supports positive engagement in the classroom and with peers.

5. **Correct Uniform:** Wearing the correct uniform not only reflects pride in our school but also contributes to a sense of unity and belonging, as well as keeping all students safe.

6. **Positive Learning Attitude:** Finally, and most importantly, we encourage all students to bring a positive mindset to school each day. A willingness to learn, collaborate and grow is the cornerstone of success.

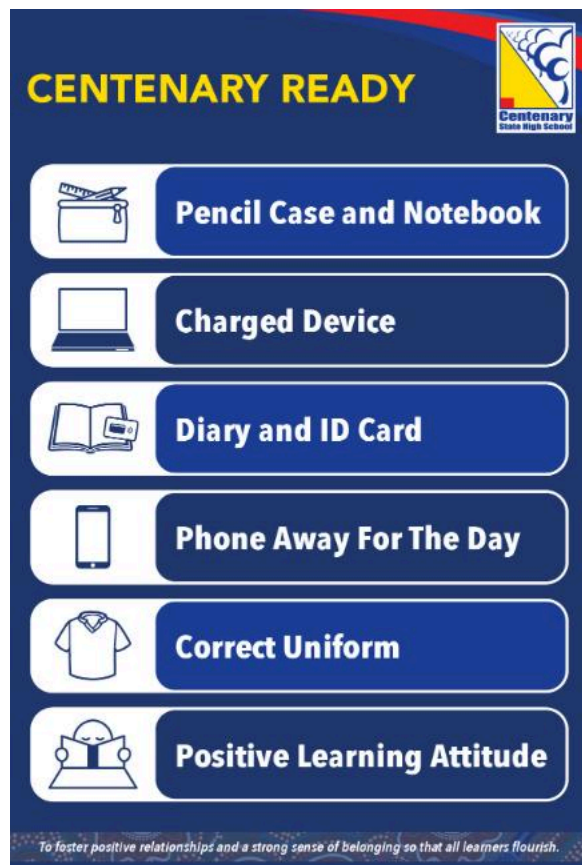
By ensuring that these expectations are met, we can create an environment where all learners flourish. I encourage parents and carers to work with us in supporting students to develop these habits of preparation and responsibility, which will serve them well not only at school but also in their future endeavours.

Thank you for your ongoing support in making Centenary SHS a place where every student can thrive. Together, we can ensure that our students are truly "Centenary Ready."

**Ross McNichol**

**Principal**

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## DEPUTY PRINCIPALS

*From Amiee Nolan*

### Every Day Counts

Every day counts is a state-wide initiative that aims to assist in improving student attendance at school through a shared commitment by students, parents, carers, schools and the community. One of the key messages is attendance at school is the responsibility of everyone in the community.

As we start Term 3, attendance across the school has been lower than we would like. Our school target is 91% and as a school we are committed to supporting students and their families to increase their attendance. Research shows that in Queensland, higher student attendance is associated, on average, with higher student achievement. Additionally, attending school every day helps children to build social and emotional skills such as communication, teamwork and resilience (Department of Education Queensland, 2025). We recognise that parents and carers play a critical role in the shared education of our young people and we need your continued support to assist our students increase their attendance here at school.

If your young person is experiencing difficulties with their attendance, please do not hesitate to reach out to your Year Level Deputy Principal for support. Each year level has additional support to ensure that students feel a strong sense of belonging. Key year level supports are:

- Deputy Principal

- Year Level Coordinator
- Guidance Officer

Congratulations to the following HGs on their fantastic start to Term 3 after the first 3 weeks of school.

| HG    | Attendance |
|-------|------------|
| CU07B | 93.07%     |
| JA08A | 94.67%     |
| JA09A | 93.86%     |
| CU10B | 93.6%      |
| MO11C | 93.89%     |
| JA12B | 91.18%     |

In our House and Year Level cohorts, we have fallen short of our 91% attendance target across the first three weeks. We have 7 more weeks this term to continue to improve. Attending each day will ensure that our students have the best opportunity to benefit from the teaching and learning programs that Centenary SHS offers. Please see below for the attendance data for these cohorts.

| House      | Attendance |
|------------|------------|
| Curragundi | 89.13%     |
| Jarup      | 89%        |
| Moolanda   | 88.55%     |
| Yallambee  | 88.13%     |

| Year | Attendance |
|------|------------|
| 7    | 88.99%     |
| 8    | 90.22%     |

|    |        |
|----|--------|
| 9  | 88.56% |
| 10 | 89%    |
| 11 | 88.66% |
| 12 | 87.35% |

## Parent Teacher Night

Parent Teacher Night is occurring in Week 5 on Thursday August 13<sup>th</sup> from 3:30pm – 7:30pm in the SRC. This is our final Parent Teacher Night for the year and interviews are based off the most recent report card that was issued through QParents:

- Years 7 – 10 Semester 1 Report Card
- Year 11 Unit 1 Report Card
- Year 12 IA1 & IA2 Report Card

As a school, we value the opportunity to meet with our parent community to discuss your child's progress at Centenary SHS and we are looking forward to seeing you on the night. This team approach allows us all to ensure that we are supporting our students to flourish. If you cannot attend but would like to discuss your child's progress with their teacher/s – staff emails can be found on our school website <https://centenaryshs.eq.edu.au/our-school/our-staff>.

## Year 12 Fundraiser – Sausage Sizzle

Our Year 12 Council will be running a sausage sizzle from 3:30pm – 7:00pm on the day. They'd love your support as they raise funds for their 2026 cohort!

Cash and card payments accepted!

## Coffee Van Onsite

A coffee van will also be onsite from approximately 3:30pm – 7:00pm.

Cash and card payments accepted!

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**(Inclusion, EALD)**

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## BUSINESS MANAGER

### The Little Things That Make a Big Difference

School runs best when families and schools work together. Often, it's the simple, everyday routines that have the greatest impact on student learning, wellbeing and safety. Below is a helpful reminder of a few key processes that support our students and keep things running smoothly at Centenary State High School.

#### Attendance Matters

Every day at school really does count. Regular attendance helps students build positive routines, stay connected with friends and teachers and feel confident in their learning.

If your child is absent or arrives late, please let us know as soon as possible. You can do this by emailing [absences@centenaryshs.eq.edu.au](mailto:absences@centenaryshs.eq.edu.au),

using **QParents**, or sending an SMS to **0427 241 881**.

Accurate attendance records allow staff to follow up promptly and provide support where needed. If attendance has become challenging for any reason, please contact your child's Year Level Coordinator or email

[absences@centenaryshs.eq.edu.au](mailto:absences@centenaryshs.eq.edu.au) to request contact. Our staff are always keen to work with families to support student engagement.

### Fees and Payments – We're Here to Help

School fees support essential learning resources and curriculum programs across the school, and we understand that managing school costs isn't always easy.

Extracurricular and noncurricular activities are optional, but they do provide valuable opportunities that enrich learning and support students' social, emotional and physical wellbeing. The school's first priority is student learning, which is funded through the Student Resource Scheme (SRS) and curriculum charges.

We aim to avoid placing additional financial pressure on families. If student learning fees are not paid, students will not be included in extracurricular and noncurricular activities to ensure we are not adding financial strain.

If you would like your child to participate fully in both their learning program and enrichment activities, please ensure SRS and curriculum charges are paid by the due date. If you have questions about your account, need assistance with payments, or would like to set up a payment plan, please contact our Accounts team at [accounts@centenaryshs.eq.edu.au](mailto:accounts@centenaryshs.eq.edu.au).

## Support During Financial Hardship 🧡

We understand that family circumstances can change, sometimes unexpectedly. If your family is experiencing financial difficulty, we encourage you to contact the Business Manager as early as possible, by emailing

**bsm@centenaryshs.eq.edu.au.**

Support options are available, and all conversations are handled respectfully and confidentially. Our priority is always to ensure students feel supported, included, and able to participate fully in school life.

## Staying in Touch with the School 💬

Open and respectful communication between home and school plays an important role in supporting students. Please contact us if there are changes in family circumstances, concerns about learning or wellbeing, or anything that may impact your child at school.

For general enquiries, families can contact the Office by emailing **admin@centenaryshs.eq.edu.au** or calling **07 3373 4555**. For more personal or complex matters, we recommend arranging an appointment with the relevant Year Level Coordinator or Deputy Principal so the issue can be given the time and attention it deserves.

Families are asked to allow time for responses to non-urgent messages, as teachers' priority during the school day is working directly with students. Keeping contact details up to date and reading school communications helps us work together effectively.

## Leaving School for an Appointment?



To support student safety, any student who needs to leave school during the day must follow the sign-out process:

- A parent or carer must notify the school of the **time and reason for leaving**. This can be done by providing a note, emailing **absences@centenaryshs.eq.edu.au**, or calling **07 3373 4555**.
- The student must come to the **office before school** to collect a leave pass.
- At the scheduled time, the student shows the leave pass to their **classroom teacher**, who will allow them to leave.
- The student then returns to the **office to sign out** and meets their parent or carer at the **pre-arranged location**.
- Please ensure your child knows **where to meet you** when leaving early.
- Students are **not permitted to leave school grounds without permission**.
- Where possible, families are encouraged to book appointments **outside school hours** to minimise disruption to learning.

These steps help us meet our duty of care and maintain accurate records of student movements.

## We're Always Happy to Help ☀️

No question is too small. Whether you need support with attendance, payments, or day-to-day processes, our office staff are here to help. Thank you for working alongside us to create a positive, safe and supportive learning environment at Centenary State High School.

**Karyn Lord, Business Manager**

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## SENIOR SCHOOL

### Year 10 Work Experience

We are thrilled to reflect on the incredible success of our Year 10 Block Work Experience program held in Week 10 of Term 2. This annual initiative is a cornerstone of our school's commitment to preparing students for life beyond the classroom and this year's cohort has truly risen to the occasion.

Over the course of the week, our Year 10 students stepped into workplaces across a wide range of industries, from healthcare to hospitality, trades to technology, and everything in between. The feedback from employers has been overwhelmingly positive, with many commenting on the professionalism, enthusiasm and willingness to learn displayed by our students.

It was heartening to hear stories of students thriving in their placements, gaining hands-on experience and developing valuable skills that will serve them well in their future careers.

Several students have even secured part-time jobs or school-based apprenticeships as a direct result of their placements. This is a testament to their hard work and the strong partnerships we have with local businesses and organisations.

Below is one of many standout stories, and it comes from Lylah, who completed her placement with the Australian Defence Force.

Reflecting on her experience, Lylah shared:

*I was lucky enough to get the opportunity to complete my work experience at Amberly Air force Barracks through the Women in Aviation Work Experience Program.*

*Across the 5 days I stayed on base with 15 other amazing girls from all over Australia. Ranging from 15 – 18 years old, and dressed in uniforms, we travelled by minibus around base each day and saw so many of the opportunities available to us in the ADF. From seeing and learning about planes and jets to swinging across an over water obstacle course we really did do it all! My week in the Air Force really opened my eyes to how many different career options there are available to me in the future and challenged my view beyond the traditional careers I always saw as my only options. Throughout the week we met pilots, mechanics, nurses, loadmasters, flight attendants, technicians, chefs, PT's, fire fighters, dog handlers and countless other defence members and participated in hands on activities that gave us a taste of what life in that profession could be like. This experience provided me with valuable insight into the future pathway I hope to pursue, and I could not be more grateful for this truly incredible experience!*

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the employers, businesses and organisations who welcomed our students. Your time, expertise and mentorship have provided invaluable opportunities for them to learn and grow. We are truly grateful for your support in shaping their futures.



**Julie Scull, Senior School HOD**

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## STUDENT FORUM

### Push-Up Challenge 🍌

Centenary SHS took part in the **Push-Up Challenge**, Australia's largest mental health and fitness event.

From the **3rd to the 26th of June**, more than **230,000 Australians** came together to complete **3,307 push-ups**. That number represents the **3,307 lives lost to suicide in Australia in 2024**, reminding us why raising awareness and supporting mental health is so important.

Across Australia, participants completed an incredible **300 million push-ups** and raised more than **\$12 million** for mental health services.

Here at Centenary SHS, I'm incredibly proud of what our school community achieved. We had **20 staff members** and **142 students** sign up to take part. Together, we **banked an amazing 253,490 push-ups** and raised **\$6,559** to support mental health initiatives.

To see our page, including who participated, go to:

<https://www.thepushupchallenge.com.au/fundraisers/CentenaryStateHighSchool>

It's also not too late to donate! 🙏

### Betty's Birthday Bake Sale 🍰

Betty is turning 4, and the Student Forum is celebrating with a special Birthday Bake Sale on Tuesday of Week 6 (August 18<sup>th</sup>! Join us outside CPAC at morning break for delicious baked treats, fun games, a photo frame with Betty, and more. All proceeds will be donated to Empower Assistance Dogs, the incredible organisation that trained Betty and helped bring her to our school community.

We'd love your support to make Betty's birthday celebration a success. If your family is able to donate some homemade or store-bought baked goods (human food!) for the bake sale, we'd be incredibly grateful. Every cupcake, cookie, slice or muffin sold will help support the life-changing work of Empower Assistance Dogs. Please see the attached poster for more details, and keep an eye on emails from Ms O'Dea for information about how to contribute. Thank you for helping us celebrate Betty's big day while supporting a wonderful cause! 🐕❤️



**Marney O'Dea, Student Leadership Coordinator**

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## MARKETING AND EVENTS

### 2027 Year 7 Enrolments

2027 Year 7 Enrolments are now OVERDUE!

Physical enrolment packs can be collected from our Administration Building or from our local feeder primary schools. Please ensure you submit your application to secure your spot at Centenary SHS and so that you don't miss important upcoming dates regarding your young person starting their high school journey with us.

### Year 7 Enrolment Sessions

We look forward to welcoming our 2027 Year 7 families to Centenary State High School.

As part of the enrolment process, all incoming Year 7 students and their parent/carer are required to attend one of our Year 7 Enrolment

Sessions. These sessions are led by our Principal and provide an opportunity to learn more about our school, meet key staff and receive important information to support a smooth and successful transition into high school.

Incoming 2027 Year 7 families received an email earlier today with further information.

- To book your preferred session, please use the link below:

### **Year 12 Yearbook**

Centenary SHS Year 12 families - the 2026 Year 12 Yearbook is now available for purchase:

**<https://yearbook.cshspnc.asn.au>**

Please note - this Yearbook is purely for our Year 12 cohort.

Orders close 11:59pm Friday September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

All Year 12 students and parents/carers have been emailed with further information, including our early bird offer.

Happy purchasing!

### **QParents**

Please note that QParents has introduced facial recognition as part of its new two-factor authentication process. To access this feature and ensure you have the latest version, you may need to delete and reinstall the QParents app on your device.

Follow us on Facebook to stay in-the-loop on what's been going on and what's coming up within our school community:

<https://www.facebook.com/CentenaryStateHighSchool/>.

***Caitlin Wallekers, Marketing, Events and Executive Services***

***Email: [cwall328@eq.edu.au](mailto:cwall328@eq.edu.au)***

## **INTERNATIONAL**

### **Welcoming 'More Than School' Study Tour (Taiwan) Students**

Centenary SHS recently had the privilege of hosting a group of visiting students and teacher/chaperone from More Than School (MTS) from Taiwan for a two-week Study Tour. The visit provided valuable opportunity for cultural exchange, international friendship and Australian learning experiences.

Throughout their stay, the students were fully immersed in school life, participating in classroom lessons and practical learning activities. The program allowed our visitors to develop their English language skills while gaining a deeper understanding of Australian education, culture and community life.

A key highlight of the tour was the exceptional contribution of our student buddies. These students helped our visitors settle into school life and build meaningful friendships. Their enthusiasm and willingness to share their culture and school experiences created lasting memories for everyone involved.

We would also like to acknowledge the many staff and faculty areas that welcomed students into their classrooms and organised engaging learning activities. Their support provided our guests with a rich and varied educational experience while showcasing the diverse opportunities available at Centenary SHS.

A special thank you must go to our wonderful homestay families. By opening their homes and hearts to our visitors, they provided a genuine Australian family experience that became one of the most memorable parts of the tour. From



sharing meals and family activities to helping students navigate daily life in Australia, our homestay families played a vital role in ensuring the students felt safe, supported and welcomed throughout their stay.

The positive feedback received from the visiting students and teachers highlighted the warmth, generosity and professionalism of our school community. The success of this program reflects the collective efforts of our staff, student buddies, and homestay families, all of whom contributed to creating an unforgettable experience for our international guests.

We are proud to continue building strong international partnerships and look forward to welcoming our next study tour – Nodai High School #1 in Term 3, Week 4.



### ***International Team***

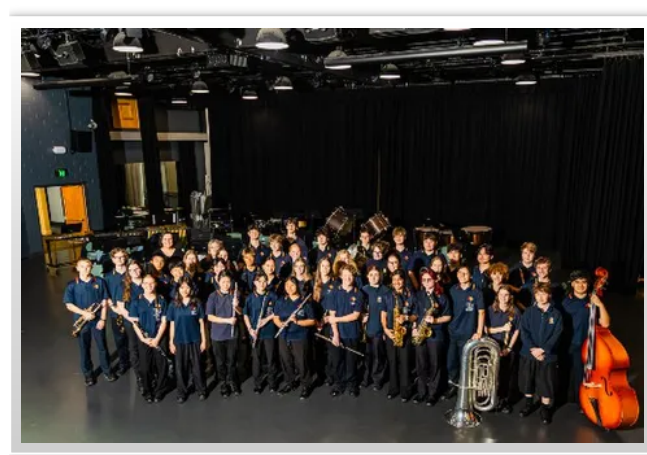
**Email: [international@centenaryshs.eq.edu.au](mailto:international@centenaryshs.eq.edu.au)**

## **ARTS**

Term 3 is always busy and exciting! Our students have been outstanding in and out of the classroom – we have so much great news to share!

## **Student Success**

Following our fabulous performances at Fanfare, where our ensembles achieved an outstanding FIVE Platinum Awards and ONE Gold Award, we were thrilled to find out that the Centenary SHS Symphonic Band has been selected as a Metro South Fanfare finalist! This is an amazing achievement and a testament to the dedication, hard work and musical excellence of our students and staff. Whilst we did not progress to the State Finals, being selected and recognised as one of the top seven ensembles from more than 270 groups across our region – placing us in the top 2% – is an exceptional achievement! Well done to all members of the Symphonic Band and Ms Zorzetto on your success – you have made our school community incredibly proud.

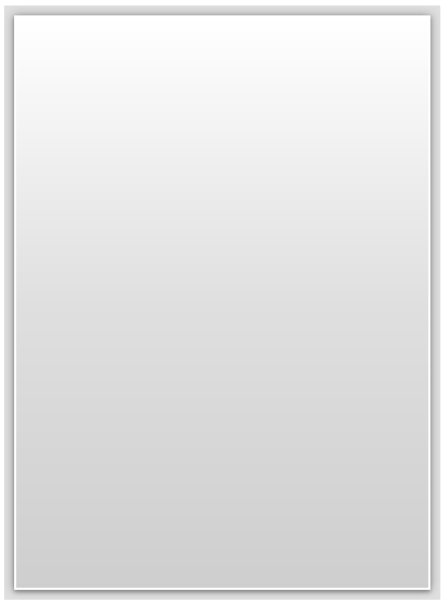
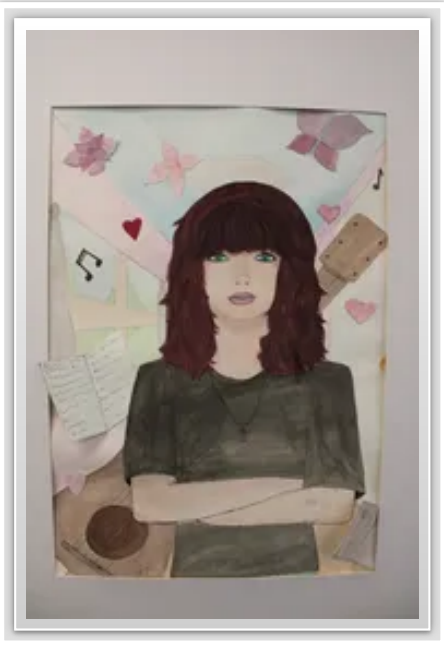


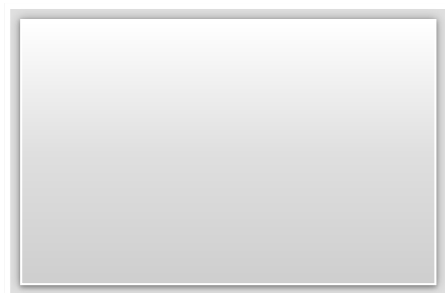
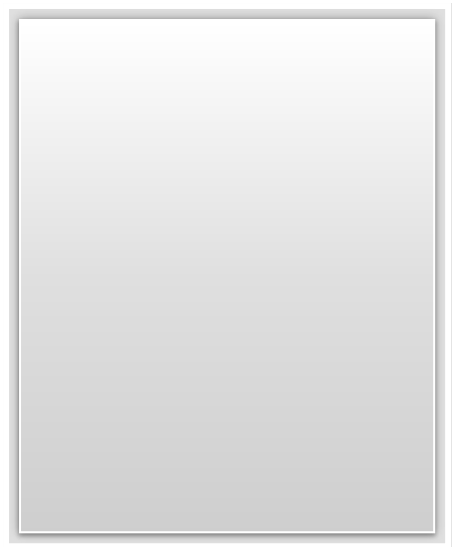
Congratulations to our amazing senior artists who have either self-nominated or been selected by their teacher to be entered into the 2026 Brisbane Portrait Prize – Next Gen Competition! Each portrait reflects hours of creative exploration, technical skill and personal expression, with students capturing the unique stories and personalities of their subjects through a range of artistic styles and techniques. Well done to all of our students for producing such thoughtful and inspiring works. We wish

you the very best in the competition and are incredibly proud to see your creativity represented at this level. Take a look through our gallery and join us in celebrating the amazing talent at our school.

Artworks below:

1. Angelene
2. Emily
3. Emmeline
4. Jade
5. Kaleah Lee
6. My
7. Salma #1
8. Salma #2
9. Samantha
10. Sasha
11. Tahlia
12. Tu
13. Valerie





Congratulations to our fantastic music students who were nominated for and selected for the State Honours Ensemble Program (South-East Queensland), held at Queensland

Conservatorium Griffith University, from July 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>. The State Honours Ensemble Program is an educational program for music students that helps extend and encourage their pursuit of musical excellence. SHEP brings together young musicians from all over the State to work with eminent international and national conductors to share their passion for making music. Students are nominated by their school and selected based on their current music level.



After months of rehearsals, our talented students have experienced the performance of a lifetime, taking to the stage for Creative Generation – State Schools Onstage (CGEN) 2026! They joined with more than 2,000 state school students from across Queensland to present *Dream Big: A Brighter Future*. A huge congratulations to all of our amazing students involved – we're incredibly proud of you showcasing your skills across a range of performance groups and production roles. Stay tuned for details of the national television broadcast later this year!

A group of lucky Centenary SHS friends of the performers watched the Friday matinee show – it was amazing to be able to support our students from the crowd!

💃 Massed Dance: Yolanda, Piper, Haley and Isla

🎸 Massed Strings: Alvin and Maya

🎤 Massed Choir: Isla and Maya

🎥 Media Crew: Milana

🎭 Musical Theatre: Kiana

🎵 Company Choir: Charlotte

🎺 Big Band: Oscar

🎼 Orchestra: Van, Kahmya and Oscar



## Classroom News

Confirmed results have returned from the QCAA for Year 12 General subject students for their IA1 and IA2 assessments. We are thrilled with the achievements of all our Year 12 students; including the 24 students who achieved 100% on task 1; and the 12 students who achieved 100% on task 2. There are nine incredible students sitting on a 100% result at the halfway point of Year 12,

which is super impressive! We encourage all our Year 12 students submitting their IA3 assessment items this week to continue to work hard.



Recently, our Year 11 Visual Arts in Practice students were fortunate to participate in a hands-on workshop with artist Elysha Rei, a Japanese-Australian paper-cutting artist, as part of their new sculptural unit of work. Students explored a range of sculptural techniques while creating animal forms using recyclable materials and found objects. The workshop provided a valuable opportunity to develop practical skills, experiment with creative processes, and gain insight into contemporary artistic practice. A big thank you to Elysha for sharing her artistic journey, inspiring our students, and generously modelling her expertise throughout the day. We can't wait to see how students apply these ideas and techniques in their own sculptural artworks over the coming weeks!



The Year 7 Performance Plus Monster Showcase was held in late Term 2 and showcased the incredible work they created during the semester. From captivating drama performances to energetic dance routines and impressive musical performances, our excellence students certainly worked hard to develop their skills and creativity across the Arts. Thank you to the Arts Subcommittee for supporting this event and opening the canteen.



Our Years 11 and 12 Music students loved their excursion to *Beetlejuice: The Musical*, providing a valuable opportunity to connect classroom learning with a live performance opportunity. By observing live theatre, students experienced firsthand performance skills and techniques, stagecraft and the role of music in storytelling. Experiences like these deepen their understanding of the concepts studied in class and inspire them as developing musicians.



### Extracurricular News

Arts Week – what an incredible week celebrating the vibrant Arts community that makes Centenary SHS such a special place! Throughout the week, students embraced their creative sides and immersed themselves in all areas of the Arts. From dance and drama to media, music, and visual art, there were activities, performances and opportunities for everyone to get involved and showcase their artistic talents. Thank you to our amazing Arts staff and Arts Captains who helped make the week such a success!



Check out the week in the following video:  
<https://www.facebook.com/share/r/1EqSNawsxU/>.

As a part of Arts Week celebrations, our Arts Captains hosted the Centenary's Got Talent Grand Final, with five outstanding finalists taking to the stage in front of a packed CPAC audience. The talent on display was incredible, with each performer showcasing remarkable skill, passion and stage presence. Congratulations to our 2026 Centenary's Got Talent winner, Year 12 student Eva! Her outstanding performance impressed our judging panel and earned her the top score of the day! Well done Eva (two years in a row!) and thank you to all of our talented performers for getting involved and helping make Arts Week such a memorable celebration of the Arts.

Watch Eva's winning performance here:

[https://youtu.be/xmP0PPx8LiE?](https://youtu.be/xmP0PPx8LiE?si=uLZrHmqvrhLXLQbZ)

[si=uLZrHmqvrhLXLQbZ](https://youtu.be/xmP0PPx8LiE?si=uLZrHmqvrhLXLQbZ)

Just before the holidays, some of our talented piano students shared their musical achievements with family and friends at our Piano Recital. From students taking to the stage for the first time to more experienced performers, every student should be incredibly proud of the confidence, dedication and musicianship they demonstrated. It was wonderful to celebrate their progress and enjoy an afternoon filled with beautiful performances. Thank you to our wonderful piano teachers, Dr Tuxworth and Ms Row, for their expert tuition and encouragement, and to our Cultural Coordinator, Ms Scalia, for her support in making the recital possible. If you're interested in learning piano (or guitar!), we have lessons available for students of all experience levels. If you'd like to find out more, please email Ms Sleeman, HOD The Arts.



Our enthusiastic Drama students visited Queensland Theatre to take part in The Scene Project for our third year. Each year, Queensland Theatre commissions a brand-new script for students to interpret, adapt and transform into a unique 15-minute performance. The project gives students the incredible opportunity to perform for their peers, industry professionals and theatre practitioners, while celebrating creativity and collaboration with schools from across Queensland.

After months of preparation and rehearsals, our students were incredible in their on-stage performance. They represented Centenary SHS with confidence, creativity and professionalism, making both themselves and our school incredibly proud.



Thank you to Ms Teh and Mr Holmes, who have taught lessons to our Taiwanese International Tour students and buddies. Our school visitors learnt how to dance the salsa and were shown some traditional First Nations artworks, and then had a go at using some dot painting techniques for their own boomerangs to take home. Thank you to our Arts Captains who helped prepare materials for the workshop.





## Instrumental Music News

Our musicians have represented Centenary SHS with pride at many school and community events! Our String Quartet and Flutely Tootelies performed at the Welcome and Farewell ceremonies for our International visitors; our Stage Band had the exciting opportunity to perform at Dreamworld, sharing their music with visitors from across the country and beyond! Performing in a unique venue like Dreamworld is a fantastic experience for our students and a wonderful chance to represent our school community. They backed up this performance with another at the Brisbane Youth Jazz Festival, where they had the opportunity to be mentored by highly regarded Australian saxophonist, composer, and educator Martha Baartz.

Our musicians have also been out supporting their peers at two primary school events – Jindajam and WestCent. We love to support and encourage our local primary school students and show them that practice and commitment pay off! We hope that they were inspiring to the younger generation.

Our Centenary SHS Junior Choir and Senior Choir were excited to perform at the Festival of Australian Music (FOAM). FOAM is a celebration of Australian music and storytelling, bringing together performers, composers, conductors, educators and music lovers from across the country. Throughout the festival, our students had the opportunity to learn from leading Australian musicians, participate in inspiring workshops, and perform alongside outstanding choirs from across Queensland. We received some incredible

This term, we are excited to launch Centenary's SNAP THAT competition across Weeks 6,7 and 8. Each Monday we will release the new topic to photograph through the Student Notices. Students will have just one week to capture their photograph and write a short artist statement about the image. It then needs to be submitted using the Microsoft Forms link in student emails by 9:00am the following Monday.

Submissions will be judged by a panel of Media Teachers who will award prizes to both a junior and senior entrant in each category. A short-list of photographs will be displayed in the CPAC gallery in Week 9 for the People's Choice Award. Students will be able to vote for their favourite image from the finalists. There will be prizes in both Junior and Senior categories including JB Hi-Fi gift vouchers and two grand prize winners for Principal's Choice and the People's Choice Awards. These winners will score themselves a FujiFilm Polaroid camera!

Students can edit their photograph but any use of AI would disqualify them. All winners will be announced in Week 10. If you have any burning questions, you can see one of the Media Teachers or Ms Sleeman in Staffroom 4. Happy snapping.

A huge thanks to the Arts Subcommittee of the P&C for their prize donation for our keen photographers!

feedback about our performances and had the opportunity to watch some Australian ensembles perform.



The Arts Faculty are lucky to be supported by a subcommittee of the P&C – a group of parents and carers who meet once per term for an hour (sometimes not even an hour!). Our next meeting is Tuesday September 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. Please email [aslee4@eq.edu.au](mailto:aslee4@eq.edu.au) if you would like more information or you're happy to help in some capacity. We'd love to hear from you if you're interested in sponsoring one of our groups or donating a prize to our Term 4 raffle.

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## BUSINESS/INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY



### **Excursion Reminder – Year 9 Business Port of Brisbane 7<sup>th</sup> August**

A reminder that Semester 2 Year 9 students have their Port of Brisbane Excursion on August 7<sup>th</sup>, so please ensure consent has been finalised!



### **External Assessment Preparation Has Begun!**

External Assessment is coming up in October, so all the Business Technology Year 12 General subjects have begun their preparation for this exciting conclusion to student's studies.

Ms Ritchie's Year 12 Accounting class were engaged last week in group work to deepen their understanding of key concepts!



### **Staff Achievement Alerts!**

**BEAQ Fellow Award Recipients**

Congratulations to Ms Anne Ritchie and Ms Kirsten Caruso who were awarded BEAQ's Fellow Award at their recent Annual State Conference. This prestigious award recognises outstanding educators who have demonstrated outstanding commitment, leadership and contribution to Business Education across Queensland.

### ***BEAQ Annual State Conference Presenters***

Congratulations to Ms Michelle Lehmann and Ms Kirsten Caruso who presented at the recent BEAQ Annual State Conference. Their popular and well-received session gave teachers strategies to maximise marks in analysing and evaluating across Years 11 and 12 Business.

Centenary SHS is grateful to have Anne, Michelle and Kirsten's expertise and leadership across the faculty.

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## **HPE AND SPORTS**

It has been another action-packed fortnight for the Centenary SHS HPE Faculty, with students representing the school with pride across a range of sporting competitions and exciting new opportunities on the horizon.

### **Centenary SHS Athletics Carnival Celebrations**

The start of Term 3 saw our school community come together to celebrate the incredible achievements from this year's Athletics Carnival at our Athletics Assembly. The assembly pro-

vided an opportunity to recognise the outstanding efforts, sportsmanship and determination shown by students across all year levels.

The carnival was a fantastic showcase of our school spirit, with students competing fiercely in track and field events while demonstrating teamwork, resilience and house pride.

Congratulations to all students who participated and contributed to making the carnival such a success.

A special congratulations must go to our Age Champions, whose commitment and performances throughout the carnival were recognised at the assembly. Becoming an Age Champion is a tremendous achievement and reflects the dedication and hard work these students have put into their athletics.

### **House Championship Results**

After two exciting days of competition, the final house standings were:

 **1st Place: Curragundi House – 2187 points**

 **2nd Place: Jarup House – 1919 points**

 **3rd Place: Yallambee House – 1908 points**

 **4th Place: Moolanda House – 1792 points**

Congratulations to **Curragundi House** who were crowned the 2026 Athletics Carnival Champions. Their consistent performances, participation and house spirit throughout the carnival saw them claim this year's title.

Thank you to all staff, student leaders and volunteers who helped make the carnival and assembly possible. Events such as these would not be possible without the tremendous support of our

school community. We also extend our congratulations to every student who represented their house with pride and enthusiasm.

**Congratulations once again to all of our Age Champions and to Curragundi House on an outstanding carnival!**

12 Boys – Henry – Curragundi

12 Girls – Maharlia – Curragundi

13 Boys – Kaden – Jarup

13 Girls – Dorka – Moolanda

14 Boys – Gerald – Moolanda

14 Girls – Lilly – Moolanda

15 Boys – Barron – Curragundi

16 Boys – Isaac – Jarup

16 Girls – Amelia – Yallambee

17 Boys – Daniel – Moolanda

17 Girls – Lila – Jarup House

18 Boys – Fin – Curragundi House (House Captain)

18 Girls – Keeleigh – Moolanda House (House Captain)

Queen of the Throws Champion – Pheonix – Jarup House

King of the Throws Champion – Fin – Curragundi House (House Captain)

Principal's Cup Champion – Boys Champion – Fin – Curragundi House (House Captain)



## **School Volleyball League Success**

Congratulations to all of our students who represented Centenary SHS at the **School**

**Volleyball League (July 27<sup>th</sup>)**. Every team displayed outstanding teamwork, determination and sportsmanship throughout the day.

A special congratulations to our **Year 11**

**Division 1 Boys**, who were crowned **Division Champions** after an outstanding tournament.

Our **Year 11 Girls** were equally impressive, finishing the day undefeated after winning all of their matches. Our **Year 12 Boys** also had a strong day, gaining valuable match experience as they continue their preparations for the

**Senior Schools Cup** to be held from **August 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>**.

Well done to all players and coaches on a fantastic day of volleyball.

## **Gala Day Success**

Our students continued their outstanding sporting form at both the Junior and Senior Winter Gala Days, producing some exceptional performances across a range of sports.

Congratulations to our Junior Winter Gala Day champion teams:

- Year 9 Girls Netball
- Years 7 – 9 Girls TRL
- Year 7 Boys Volleyball
- Year 8 Boys Volleyball
- Year 7 Boys TRL
- Year 9 Boys TRL

These results are a testament to the hard work, teamwork and determination shown by our students throughout the term.

At the Senior Gala Day, our AFL teams were outstanding. Congratulations to our Year 10 Boys, Year 10 Girls and Open Girls, who all finished the day as Champions. Our Open Boys also had an excellent tournament, narrowly missing out in a closely contested Grand Final. Across every team, students demonstrated outstanding sportsmanship, resilience and commitment while proudly representing Centenary SHS.

### **Athlete Development Plus (AD+) Launch – Applications Now Open**

We are excited to officially launch **Athlete Development Plus (AD+)**, beginning with our inaugural **Year 7 intake in 2027**.

AD+ is designed for students who demonstrate sporting potential, a strong work ethic and a commitment to continual improvement. The program will provide specialised athletic development, leadership opportunities, education around performance and wellbeing, and support students to maximise both their sporting and academic success.

**Applications are now open** and will close on **Friday August 28<sup>th</sup>**!

Successful applicants will be invited to attend a **physical trial on Tuesday September 8<sup>th</sup> from 3:30pm – 5:00pm**.

For more information and to apply, visit the **Centenary SHS Facebook page**, where the application link is available.

### **All Schools Touch Football**

Preparations are well underway for the upcoming **Brisbane All Schools** and **Queensland All Schools** Touch Football Championships, with all **six Centenary SHS teams** training hard each week.

Students are reminded that our **Thursday after-noon fitness sessions** continue to run and provide sport-specific conditioning to help players prepare for the demands of representative competition. We encourage all squad members to attend as we build towards an exciting competition season.

### **Northern Eagles District Athletics**

Week 2 saw our Centenary SHS Athletics team proudly represent the school at the **Northern Eagles District Athletics Trials**.

Our athletes produced some outstanding performances, with numerous personal bests achieved throughout the carnival. These results are a testament to the dedication and effort shown by our students and the outstanding preparation provided by **Mr Haines, Ms Stolberg and Ms Heintz** in the lead-up to the competition.

Congratulations to every student who represented Centenary SHS – we wish all athletes selected in district teams the very best in the next stage of competition.



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## YEAR 12 REPORT

### **Year 12 Update – A Busy and Meaningful Term Ahead**

Welcome to Term 3! We hope all our Year 12 students and families enjoyed a well-deserved break and are feeling refreshed for what promises to be a busy, exciting and important term. With only a few months remaining until graduation, there is much to look forward to as our seniors continue preparing for life beyond school.

This term, our Home Group program focuses on the PERMAH element of Meaning – encouraging students to reflect on their purpose, values and

the positive impact they can have on their community as they move into the next stage of their lives.

Already this term, students have participated in lessons on Respectful Relationships, exploring the green flags and red flags that contribute to healthy, respectful relationships. Students have also reviewed their Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) progress, ensuring they can access their QCAA Student Portal and understand how they are tracking towards achieving their QCE.

Our Guidance Officer, Leanne McBrien, recently presented information about QTAC, helping students understand tertiary pathways, application processes and the important decisions they will soon be making regarding their future study and career options. We recently celebrated NAIDOC Week in our Senior Assembly, recognising and celebrating the rich histories, cultures and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

In Weeks 5 and 6, we are fortunate to welcome guest presenters who will provide valuable sessions on financial wellbeing and sexual health. These presentations are designed to equip students with practical knowledge and life skills that will support their wellbeing both now and into the future.

Weeks 9 and 10 will be dedicated to our Mock Block. These examinations are an essential opportunity for students completing external assessments to experience exam conditions, refine their preparation strategies and build confidence ahead of the external examinations later this year. For students completing school-based assessments, this time will also be used to com-

plete important assessment tasks. We encourage all students to approach this period with commitment and a positive mindset.

Throughout the term, every Year 12 student will participate in an individual QTAC interview with a member of staff. Information has been sent to parents and carers by Julie Scull, and the process has been explained to students. These interviews are an important opportunity to discuss individual pathways and future plans.

As we move through this busy term, we cannot stress enough the importance of school attendance. Being present at school ensures students receive vital information, participate in key learning experiences and remain on track with assessment and post-school planning. Arriving on time each day is equally important, helping students develop the responsibility and punctuality that are valued in both further education and the workplace.

With the cooler weather continuing, we also remind students to adhere to the school's uniform policy. If a school jersey is worn, hoodies are not to be worn underneath. Thank you for your continued support in maintaining our high standards of presentation.

We are incredibly proud of the maturity, resilience and commitment our Year 12 cohort continues to demonstrate. The months ahead will be challenging, but they also offer many opportunities to celebrate achievements, create lasting memories and prepare confidently for the future.

***Carla Clarke, Year 12 Coordinator***  
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## YEAR 8 REPORT

As we begin Term 3, our Year 8 Home Group program will focus on the PERMAH wellbeing pillar of **Accomplishment**. This term provides an opportunity for students to reflect on how far they have come this year (and in their schooling journey in general), recognise the progress they have already made and celebrate the achievements, both big and small, that have shaped their journey so far. We will also encourage students to look ahead by setting meaningful personal, social and academic goals, helping them develop the confidence, resilience and motivation to continue striving for success and growing as wonderful young people.

A brilliant example of the strength of our Year 8 cohort was our end-of-Term 2 Whole Cohort Day. Students participated in a range of exciting team-building and friendly competitive activities that encouraged collaboration, problem-solving and plenty of laughter. It was fantastic to see students stepping outside their comfort zones, supporting one another, forming new friendships and strengthening existing ones. The day perfectly captured the strong sense of belonging we continue to build at Centenary SHS, and it was a positive way to celebrate the term before heading into the holidays.

Looking ahead, Year 8 students will participate in a series of targeted Home Group workshops during Weeks 5 and 6. These workshops complement students' classroom learning while building lifelong social and emotional skills. Delivered by **F.A.S.T. Training**, specialists in youth wellbeing and personal development. Students will participate in the **"Speak Up, Listen In"** workshop, an engaging and interac-



tive session designed to develop confident, respectful communication. Students will explore practical strategies for expressing their thoughts and feelings, listening with empathy, managing conflict calmly and navigating common teenage challenges such as friendships, social media pressures and emotional stress. These age-appropriate workshops provide valuable skills that students can apply at school, at home and online, supporting their continued growth into confident, capable and respectful young people. The sessions align with our Term 3 wellbeing focus on accomplishment and will strengthen resilience, communication, decision-making, help-seeking and personal safety.

We look forward to another rewarding term as we continue supporting every Year 8 student to develop a strong sense of belonging and to flourish, achieve, connect and thrive.

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