**CATCH-UP evening**

The first parent and teacher **CATCH-UP** evening will be held in Week 3, Wednesday February 8 starting at 6:00pm.

Parents are invited to meet socially and establish contact with teachers of their children. There will be information kiosks providing camp details but no set presentation.

Light refreshments and snacks will be served, and the night will close at 7:00pm.

**Year 7 Camp in March!**

Year 7 camp will be held in Week 8 on Wednesday March 15 at Leslie Dam, Warwick.

The relevant permission note and medical forms will be distributed in Week 2.

All children with medical conditions and medication, will need to provide specific management plans for staff.

We encourage everyone to attend as it is an excellent way for students to develop personal capabilities and establish effective relationships with other students and staff.

If there any concerns that may stop a student from attending, please contact the Year Level Co-ordinator.

**Communication is the Key**

Many teachers will use email to make first contact with parents and is often the fastest way to send out information. Please make sure that the school has your email contact.

All students will be given a school email address and taught how to email their teachers.

Year 7 - Mr Brett Morgan  
bmorg3@eq.edu.au

Year 8 – Ms Chloe Trim  
crtri0@eq.edu.au

Year 9 – Mr Zac Walker  
zwalk19@eq.edu.au

Head of Junior Secondary - Mrs Jo Marcus  
jmarc1@eq.edu.au

**Uniform reminder**

Please remember to consult the Student Handbook for the exact expectations of the uniform.

Our school photos will be held on February 28, and it is particularly important for students to wear the correct formal uniform on this day.
Swimming Carnival

Our school swimming carnival is a celebration of participation in aquatics.

We encourage all students to swim in traditional events to the best of their ability, but also host a range of novelty activities that require next to no competence in swimming strokes.

Student dress in house colours and cheer to encourage everyone to participate to the best of their ability.

Parents are always welcome to celebrate the achievements and participation of their children.

Sport for Year 7 students

All Year 7 students who turn 12 in 2017, are eligible to compete in the Granite Belt Zone (GB) 12yrs and under Sporting Trials, as per previous years. The dates will be advertised in assemblies and notices. It is each student’s responsibility to act on the announcements and see the Sport Co-ordinator Mr Rob Yates.

ryate20@eq.edu.au

BD Summer Sport trials 11 Feb
GB Swimming Trials Feb 15
Swimming Carnival Feb 17
GB Softball Trials Feb 20
GB Basketball Trial Feb 21
GB Tennis Trials Feb 28

Lunch Time Sporting Equipment

Students can borrow sporting equipment at the start of lunch breaks. They can be loaned from the C7 staffroom (for Top Courts) and the HPE staffroom. Students need to take responsibility for the equipment and ensure it is returned promptly at the end of the lunch break.

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Leadership TEAM

Mr Ron Hall (DP), Mrs Jo Marcus (HOD), and Mr Brett Morgan (YLC) are responsible for the Junior Secondary School identity and transitions.

Mr Ron Hall
rhall84@eq.edu.au

Mrs Marcus
jmarc1@eq.edu.au

Mrs Marcus is currently on leave and Mr Chris Smith is currently acting in the HoD roll and can be contacted at csmi765@eq.edu.au

Please contact any of these staff for more information or queries about Junior Secondary activities.

“Adolescent Learner” - Parent information

Kath Wenban will be conducting more of her, "Understanding Adolescence" information sessions in 2017. A session will be held at the school on Wednesday February 22nd from 7:00 - 9:00. Please RSVP by calling 46815888 and leaving your details. Please do so by Friday 17th so that catering can be organised.

This is a great way to engage with the research on teen behaviour, and discuss ways to support them.
Yr 7 Camp Snaps

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How to get to school

For the safety of students, everyone should enter the school via the closest gate to where they are dropped off.

Car
The car park south (A) of the stadium has a large loading zone area that avoids the crossing (and bus traffic) at the front of the school.

Loading zones are also positioned near the main gate on the Eastern side of McGlew Street (B). The western side has bus zones.

Bus
Students are responsible for getting to the bus on time. Then wait for instructions by the duty teacher before getting on any bus.

Bicycle, Scooter, Skate
Storage racks are provided at the Northern end of the school. Students need to walk bicycles etc. through the main gate to the racks.

Walking
A school crossing is located outside the main gate. It is NOT a pedestrian crossing and there are no crossing supervisors (aka “Lollipops”).

Students should wait at the curb, make eye contact with the driver of vehicles and cross when the vehicle has stopped. A smile or wave will make everyone’s day.

Expectation overload
At this time students are presented with a large number of expectations and rules of the school. They are all in the school handbook that is given to students on Day 1.

Some of the crucial expectations that you can assist with are:

- **Uniform** – students have a timetable that shows when they have practical HPE and AG classes. These are days on which they should be wearing their Practical Uniform. They should be wearing their Dress Uniform on all other days.
  
  Put a reminder somewhere so that you can assist them to wear the correct uniform.

- **Bookwork** – teachers will be paying particular attention to organised and competed work. Planners should have homework tasks written down every day.

- **Mobile Phones** – any phone that is brought to school is to be switched off at all times.

- **Water bottles** – students should bring a water bottle that they can take to class. They cannot access drink taps during class time.

YLC corner

**Year 7 - Mr Brett Morgan**  
bmorg3@eq.edu.au

Brett can be found in the C-Block staffroom (Direct 46815819). He teaches IT and Mathematics subjects, has a special interest in Football (round ball) and cycling.

**Year 9 – Ms Chloe Trim**  
crtri0@eq.edu.au

Chloe can be found in the E Block staffroom (Direct 46815839).

Chloe teaches English, Humanities and Maths in the school.

**Year 9 – Mr Zac Walker**  
zwalk19.@eq.edu.au

Zac resides in the F-Block or Ag Staffroom (Direct 46815843). Zac teaches Ag Science, ITD, Science and Mathematics. He has a special interest in beekeeping and permaculture.

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