



HAWK CHAT

HARRISTOWN STATE HIGH SCHOOL



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families

This week on assembly I spoke about the way we recognise achievement and effort in the school. One special way that we will be doing that next week is AT Speech Night.

I believe that Speech Night is the most important event in the school calendar. It gives us the opportunity to reflect on the year. I am amazed at the wide range of activities our students have been involved in during 2009. We have had many successes. This has come through hard work and determination by students and considerable sacrifice in time by the staff and parents of the school. Thank you for your contribution in 2009. Please come and help us celebrate next Tuesday. All families are invited to be a part of the evening. Make your booking through the P & C shop.

Construction continues at Harristown! There will be 4 new projects commenced by the end of the year. These include an outdoor learning area, refurbishment of the outside courts, Trade Training Centre and an extension to the bus shed. The face of Harristown continues to change, but the important business of learning remains the same.

Until next week

Regan Neumann

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER	
Tuesday 27	Speech Night
NOVEMBER	
Monday 9 - Friday 13	Year 12 Exam Block
Friday 13	Sports Awards Night
Monday 16 - Friday 20	Year 10 & 11 Exam Block
Friday 20	Final day Year 12 & Formal

SUBJECT SELECTION FOR OUR CURRENT YEAR 9 STUDENTS

Students who are currently in Year 9 will be required to make a selection of subjects to study in 2010 sometime in the next couple of weeks.

Although the current cohort of Year 9 students are able to select some subjects to study in semester 1 for 2010, it is mandatory that English, Mathematics,

Science, Social Science (History/Geography/Civics) and HPE are a part of their core learning program. Mainstream students (not accelerated academy students) will choose 3 elective subjects.

Prior to semester 2, parents and students will be invited to a Semester 6 Subject Selection Evening to find out information about what subject offerings are available for this semester. If you require any further information please contact your House Deputy or Ms Monagle.

RECORD NUMBER OF MATHEMATICS COMPETITION ENTRIES!

Numbers were well up in the Australian Mathematics Competition at Harristown High this year and students performed extremely well.

This competition tests everything from basic numeracy skills through to advanced problem solving.

Harristown entered 119 students. Five students received a Certificate of High Distinction; 22 students received a Certificate of Distinction; 52 students achieved a Credit and 5 received a Proficiency Certificate. All other students who competed received a Certificate of Participation and every entrant was provided with an individual performance report.

The Certificates of High Distinction were awarded to: Kelvin Heritage, Year 8; Karyn Foley, Year 10; and Andrew Jones, Ben Dudman and Grace Laundon in Year 12.

The following year 8 students were awarded Certificates of Distinction: Rachel Dudman, Robin Eberhard, Andrew Eglington, Michael Gaffney, Brooke Gray, William Hayward, Daniel Leadbetter, Danyon Noack, and Logan Smith.

Certificates of Distinction were awarded to the following year 9 students: James Hogg, Bruce Hoang, Josh Glass, Shane Jones, Jacob Kleidon, Rachel Pac, Lauren Prior, Josh Shoemsmith, and Curtis Sullivan.

Jack Allworth, Year 10, received a Distinction and a Prudence Award, which is awarded to the student achieving the school's highest number of consecutive correct answers.

These Year 11 students received distinctions: Kristelle McCleverty and Liem Nguyen.

Congratulations must go to all students who entered the competition.

Jane Livingstone (HOD: Mathematics)

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

* *TOP JOB 2009 GEAR UP FOR YOUR FUTURE: The TOP Job Vacancy List is printed, below.*

CITY GOLF CLUB, 254 SOUTH STREET, THURSDAY, 29th OCTOBER, 2009, 5.30pm - 7.00pm.

Top Job is an event giving young people the opportunity to apply for real fulltime jobs with local businesses! A wide variety on industry areas will be represented on the night.

At the Golf Club, each business will have a site allocated to them and you will have the opportunity of speaking to the employer about careers in their organisations and the current vacancies they have on offer.

Employers may want to interview you on the night so "dress to impress", bring along copies of your resume and be prepared to answer some questions about yourself (you can of course ask some questions, too.)

Please come and see Ms Matheson or Trish if you have any enquiries.

* SATs available: Nb: All enquiries are to be made through Ms Matheson or Trish Hamlin in the Vocational Education Office, D011, as the businesses do not want to be contacted directly.

DGT = Downs Group Training

GWES= Golden West Employment Solutions

Apprenticeships

Cert III	Carpentry	See Trish/Tanya
Cert III	Diesel Mechanic	GWES/see Trish
Cert III	Electrotechnology (Refrigeration/A/C)	DGT/see trish
Cert III	Hospitality	DGT/See Trish

Traineeships

Cert II	Auto Electrical Technology	DGT/See Trish
Cert III	Business	Solicitor/very close to school
Cert III	Business	Miller Fruit Barn/see Trish
Cert III	Business	Solicitor
Cert II	Hospitality/Front & Back of House	DGT/see Trish
Cert II	Hospitality/Back of House	GWES/See Trish
Cert II	Retail	Red Rooster

Casual

Resume to the Business	Sam's Warehouse	Workers for the Christmas holidays
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TOP JOB Vacancy List SO FAR

Admin Officer	Blackall
Administration Junior	Toowoomba
Administration Traineeship	Toowoomba
Aged Care Traineeship	Toowoomba
Agriculture Cert 111	Toowoomba
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Agriculture Cert 111	Mitchell
Agricultural trainee	Oakey
Auto Cert 111 - Heavy Vehicle (Mobile Equipment)	Toowoomba
Auto Cert 11 - Tyre Fitting Light	Toowoomba
Auto Cert 111 - Light Vehicle	Toowoomba
Auto Cert 111 - Light Vehicle	Dalby
Auto Cert 111 - Heavy Vehicle (Road Transport)	Toowoomba
Auto Cert 111 - Light Vehicle	Toowoomba
Auto - Panel Beating Cert 111	Toowoomba
Auto Mechanic Heavy Vehicle	Cloncurry
Automotive Mechanical	Quilpie
Auto Sales Cert 111 (Parts Interpreting).	Toowoomba
Auto Sales Cert 111	Emerald
Automotive Electrical Technology Cert III	Emerald
Baker Apprentice	Longreach
Baker/ Pastry Chef apprentice	Mitchell
Baker/ Pastry Cook apprentice	Cloncurry
Business Admin Cert 111	Toowoomba
Business Admin Cert 111	Emerald
Business Admin Cert II	Nanango
Carpentry Cert 111	Toowoomba
Carpenter 1 st or 2 nd year apprentice	Emerald
Carpenter 1 st or 2 nd year apprentice	St George
Carpenter 2 nd or 3 rd year apprentice	Kingaroy
Carpenter 2 nd or 3 rd year apprentice	St George
Carpenter 1 st Year	Emerald
Chef Apprentice	Emerald
Cleaning Operations Traineeship	Toowoomba
Commercial Cookery 1 st year apprentice	Roma
Community Care Traineeship	Toowoomba
Customer Service Officer	Toowoomba
Diesel Fitter (heavy vehicle) apprentice	Cloncurry
Diesel Fitter (Ag) apprentice	Toowoomba
Diesel Fitter (Ag) apprentice	Roma/Chinchilla
Diesel Fitter (Ag) apprentice	St George
Diesel Fitter (Truck) apprentice	Toowoomba
Diesel Fitter Cert III	Toowoomba
Disability Worker Traineeship	Toowoomba
Electro technology Cert 111 (Electrician)	Toowoomba
Engineering Cert III - Fab Trade	Toowoomba
Engineering Cert III sheet metal	Warwick
Engineering Cert III - Mech Trade	Toowoomba
Fitter and Turner apprentice	Toowoomba
Floor Covering and Finishing app	Roma
Food Processing Cert 111 (Retail Baking Combined)	Toowoomba
Food & Beverages Level 1 or 2	Toowoomba
Glass and Glazier	Emerald
2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th year apprentice	Emerald
Grounds and Gardens Traineeship	Toowoomba
Heavy Vehicle Fitter	Cloncurry
Horticulture Traineeship	Bedourie

Hospitality Cert II
 Hospitality Operations Cert II
 Hospitality Operations Cert III
 Hospitality Front of House Trainee
 Hospitality Trainee
 Hospitality Trainee
 Hospitality Cert 111
 (Commercial Cookery)
 Hospitality Cert 111
 (Commercial Cookery)
 Hospitality Traineeship
 Info Tech Cert II
 IT Cert II
 Kitchen Operations Traineeship
 Kitchen Trainee
 Kitchen Hand
 Live stock worker
 Light Vehicle Mechanic apprentice
 Maintenance Traineeship
 Meat Retailing Cert 111
 Mechanic (mobile equipment)
 2nd 3rd year
 Mechanic (Light Vehicle)
 2nd, 3rd, 4th yr
 Mechanic (light vehicle)
 apprenticeship
 Mechanic Small Engine
 Cert II
 Mechanic Light Vehicle
 Metal Fabrication Cert III
 Outdoor Power Equip Cert 111
 (Mechanics)
 Painting & Decorating Cert 111
 Painter 2nd or 3rd year
 Panel Beater 4th year apprentice
 Pest Management Cert III
 Plasterer Apprentice
 Plumber 3rd, 4th Year apprentice
 Refrigeration and Air Conditioning
 Retail (Bakery, Deli,
 Customer Service)
 Retail Cert 11
 Retail Assistant Cert II
 Retail Assistant
 Retail Positions
 Retail Cert II
 Retail Traineeship
 Retail Cert II
 Retail Cert II
 Retail Cert II
 Retail Cert II
 Rigger Traineeship Cert III
 Roof Tiling Apprenticeship
 Sales Consultant Trainee
 Sales Person
 Spare Parts Apprentice
 Sprinkler Fitter
 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th Yr App
 Textile Fabrication Apprenticeship
 Tourism Operations Cert II
 Warehousing & Storage Cert III

Toowoomba
 Blackall
 Blackall
 Toowoomba
 Hampton
 Nanango

Toowoomba

Dalby
 Toowoomba
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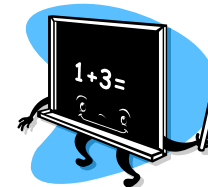
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NUMERACY:

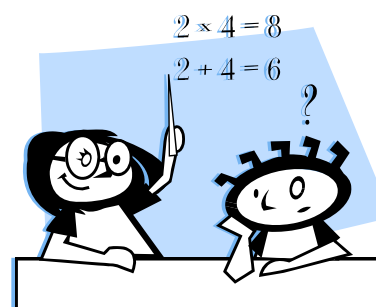


Week 2

How can you help your child become numerate?

- ◆ Explore numeracy opportunities that may arise at home during family activities.
- ◆ Help your child to enjoy the mathematics they are learning at school by talking positively and showing an interest in what they are doing.
- ◆ Have fun helping with the homework practice to build mathematical confidence, risk-taking and a positive attitude.
- ◆ Encourage persistence and perseverance and praise efforts
- ◆ Use mathematical language and ways of working at home that are the same as those being used at school
- ◆ Find out how your child uses calculators and computers and model how these are used in real life situations.
- ◆ Discuss the different ways a task can be done. This will help develop flexible thinking strategies.

Next week, we will look at some activities you can do with your child to help develop their numerate thinking.



QUOTE OF THE WEEK (contributed by Ms Jones)

“Forget Love - I’d rather fall in Chocolate”.

Sandra J Dykes