



Peel High School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Peel High School for 2021. It was great to see so many of our students return to school and we especially welcome our Yr. 7 students and their parents and also Yr. 11 into the Senior School.

At present, the following numbers of students in each group are as follows:

Yr 7 – 166 – Year Advisor Brett Jarrett

Yr. 8 – 170 – Year Advisor Laura Ness

Yr. 9 – 158 – Year Advisor Nicola Burmester

Yr. 10 – 142 – Year Advisor Shaun Betts

Yr. 11 – 95 – Year Advisor Naarah Scholes

Yr. 12 – 80 – Year Advisor Marnie Gleeson

When the remaining positions are taken up in our Support Unit, we will have 826 students at Peel High School in 2021.

We have welcomed a number of new staff to our school this year and they are as follows. For new parents to our school I have also added the Head Teachers for each faculty in red.

Deputy Principals: **Wendy Robinson, Kristen Miller, Chris Keenan**

English – **Erin Stewart**, Leanne Grant

Maths – **Byron Smith**

Science – **Amy Johnson**, Michelle Fairall, Michelle Lane (Farm Assistant)

HSIE – **Chris Rankmore**

TAS – **Nor Chareunsouk-Hartley**, Michael Wenman

PDHPE – **Robert Carter**, Zac Deahm, Sally Woodhouse

CAPA – **Jessica Sherlock**, Amanda Willey

Special Education – **Tom Gasson**, Lily Kipp, Emily Moore, Jack McVey, Robyn Ausling (SLSO)

Learning & Support – Vicki Saville (Lit/Num Coordinator), Kaysha Gale, Jenny Steepe, Emma Sing,
SLSO's – Rhiannon Nigro, Jess Warren-Trindall.

Administration – **Christine Ivin**, Katrina Masters;

SLSO's – Jessica Allan, Isabella Dominick, Sharon Hartigan, Paris Knox, Curtis Wolrige.

Aboriginal Learning & Engagement Centre – **Matt Wilson**, Amy Strong, Jake Way (SLSO)

Business Manager – **Kerrin Dominick**

Head Teach Administration/Attendance – **Lisa Panton**

Head Teacher Teaching & Learning – **Donna Burges**

Head Teacher Special Projects – **Keya Stevenson**

Head Teacher Wellbeing – **Bel Stein**

COVID Check in for Visitors

For all visitors or contractors coming into our school, you must check-in using the Service NSW QR code, sign our visitor's book and also fill in the COVID form on the front counter. I know this seems a lot, but we are just following procedures so everyone can be kept safe and contact tracing, if necessary, can be efficient. Thank you for your support with this.

Sport

We have changed the way sport operates this year in an attempt to stop the large numbers of students signing out during Sport lessons. For Stage 4 (Yr. 7 & 8) sport is now on Mondays during periods 3 & 4. For Stage 5 (Yr. 9 & 10) sport is on Wednesdays during periods 3 & 4. I must point out that Sport is compulsory for Yrs. 7 – 10 and it is mandated by the Department of Education and also NESA as part of the Stage 4 & 5 curriculum. Please do not make appointments during this time and do not allow your child/ren to tell you that they do not have to do sport. That is simply not true. Yr. 11 and 12 are the only years not required to do school sport.

Uniform

Our uniform is a nice one and I expect all students to wear it. Yr. 7 & 8 can wear the green shirt on Mondays for sport and Yr. 9 & 10 can wear the green shirt on Wednesdays. At all other times, all students should wear the white school shirt. Could I ask all parents and carers to support me and have their child/ren in the approved school uniform.

Mobile Phones

These continue to be a major problem at school. When students bring their mobile phone to school it is their responsibility to keep it safe. Our procedures are quite simple, mobiles will be turned off and away during class time. Students can have their phones on during break times. If a student is on their phone during class time their teacher will ask them to hand it over and they will get it back at the end of the lesson. If students wish to argue or defy the teacher's instructions then there will be penalties placed upon them. **Under NO CIRCUMSTANCES are students permitted to film or record any staff member or any other student without their expressed permission.** This is illegal and action will be taken against any student who does this.

P & C Meetings

Our P&C meetings have been given approval to recommence this year with COVID safe practices. Our first meeting will be in the Staff Common room at 6:00pm, Monday 15th February. These meetings are scheduled for the third Monday of the month and all are welcome to attend.

Rod Jones
Principal
04/02/2021