



# MESSAGE Stick '21

ISSUE #1



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## Principal's Report

### WELCOME

Staff, students, families, welcome back to the 2021 school year. Our students have settled into the new school year well with learning top of the agenda. A sincere thank you to all families for getting your children ready to work and learn. We appreciate your support and know that the strong relationships that are formed between school and home are the foundations for happy, successful learners.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome our Year 7 students, their parents and carers to Deception Bay SHS. The transition to high school can be daunting, thank you for trusting in our school and in our staff. I have been so impressed on how our Year 7 cohort have transitioned to high school. I look forward to meeting Year 7 parents and carers at our 'Meet and Greet' on Monday 15th February.

Deception Bay SHS would also like to welcome the new staff who have joined our school community in 2021.



Jennifer  
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### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2020

With the first year of the new ATAR system behind us it is important to acknowledge the exceptional outcomes of our 2020 graduating cohort.

- 100% of our students obtained a QCE or QCIA
- 100% of students applying for QTAC (Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre) received an offer.

Well done to Katrina Gibson 2020 Senior School Dux. A big thank you to our staff and parents that supported these students and to our 2020 graduating class, congratulations. I wish you all the best for 2021.

### OUR EXPLICIT IMPROVEMENT AGENDA

In 2020 we successfully achieved our targets to ensure Deception Bay State High School learners were engaged and successful. In 2021 our explicit improvement agenda prioritises targeted teaching practices, a whole school approach to teaching reading and implementation of Positive Education strategies.

### ENHANCEMENT OF LEARNING SPACES- INDOOR and OUTDOOR

A well maintained school provides a safe and attractive learning environment for our students. In the lead up to Term 1, our outdoor learning spaces have been improved with work commencing for a large shelter to provide an additional shaded lunch area for students behind the Resource Centre. Our multi modal classrooms now number 12 and will be capably maintained by our four IT Trainees and Jay, Liam, Holly and Nicholas who will be based in the new IT Service Centre in A Block.



## February Date Claimers

15/02/2021	Year 12 Investiture Year 7 Meet and Greet 4-6pm
16/02/2021	Year 9 Visual Arts Excursion
17/02/2021	P&C Meeting 3.30pm – Performing Arts
18 & 19/02/2021	Senior Horticulture Excursion
25/02/2021	Year 11/12 Legal Studies Excursion

## Newsletter 1 Reminders

**Uniform:** Please ensure your child is in the correct uniform each day. This includes formal uniform on a Monday with all black shoes. Hair colour is to be natural colours only. Only one small stud/facial piercing is permitted.

**Equipment:** All students require an exercise book for each subject, pencil case with appropriate contents and BYO device for seniors (Year 11 and 12). Subject specific equipment will be communicated by individual teachers.

**Attendance:** All students are required to attend everyday. Please notify the school of absences by phoning 3897 2222 before 9am.

**Recharge:** Students will start to be referred for Recharge if they are required to undertake additional study/ tutorial time. A teacher will notify parents and carers of a Recharge referral by Wednesday afternoon. Please support the teachers by reminding your child on a Thursday night if they are required to stay.

**Enrichment Menu:** Our school offers many enrichment opportunities for students. Look out for notification of times and activities for this year on our Webpage and Facebook.

**Term 1 Assessment Calendars** will be on Student SharePoint in week 4.

## Introducing our 2021 Student Leaders



### School Leaders

Imogen Boyce, Mary-Jane Folau, Riley Howard and Perenise Talanai

**SRC President:** Afioga Aloiai

**SRC Vice President:** Rory Chester

### House Leaders

**Bradman** Shakira Lawton Daniel Tauava

**Elliott** Braedy Krizsan Tom Pepa

**Cawley** Casey Apiata

**Gould** Marie Oram

Davina Robertson

Lusian Te Ariki Moran



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# Welcome 2021 Year 7s


Our new Year 7 students have had a smashing start to their High School journey! All the teachers have been blown away by the kindness, respect and general “give-it-a-go” attitude that these kids have brought with them from primary school.

In their first week of High School, students in Year 7 spent the first few days bonding with their classmates and learning about the ins and outs of DBSHS.



When I learned that I would be taking on the role of Year Level Leader for this grade in 2021, I was asked to think of a “slogan” that would represent this cohort. It didn’t take me long to choose the slogan for this year. I am a big fan of the book “Oh the places you’ll go” by the legendary Dr Seuss. This book has been integral to my life, and I am so excited to share the teachings of this literature with the Year 7s this year.

Mrs Tamarah McTainsh (Year 7 YLL)

**You have BRAINS**   
in your head. You have  
**FEET** in your **SHOES**  
You can steer yourself  
any direction **YOU**  
**CHOOSE...**

## Year Level Focus:

- Full & correct formal uniforms on Mondays
- Explaining absences
- Bringing equipment (diary, pencil case, books) every day



## **Year 7**

### *Meet and Greet*

Monday 15th February  
4-6pm

Free BBQ from 3:30pm at  
the Performing Arts Block

Come and connect with your child's  
teachers and learn about what is  
happening in their classrooms this year



# Swimming Carnival 2021





# Congratulations Gould







## Baycoin



Baycoin is DBSHS's new whole school Positive Behavior for Learning rewards system. This new reward system will now include all year levels from Year 7-12. Teachers will hand out Baycoins each lesson to students who are demonstrating our school rules and values in the classroom. Students will be given a physical Baycoin that they can cash in for awesome rewards.



Each fortnight, there will be an opportunity for students to spend their Baycoin on rewards such as lunch time activities, games and food stalls.

Congratulations Baycoin Swimming Carnival activities challenge winner Abbey-Leigh Penrose from Yr 7. Abbey-Leigh's name was selected from hundreds of student names who had participated in or volunteered at the Swimming Carnival. Abbey-Leigh scored a jar of lollies for her efforts.

## Inclusion

*We embrace diversity and ensure every student receives the support needed to engage purposefully in learning*

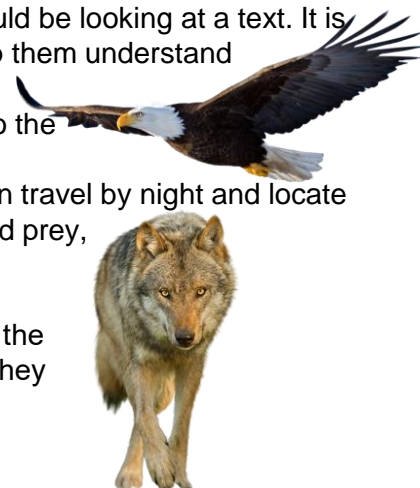
### Hunting for Meaning

This year at DBSHS, we will be teaching reading comprehension a bit differently. Therefore, our whole-school approach to the teaching of reading comprehension is known as "Hunting for Meaning". In the classroom, students benefit from visual prompts about how they should be looking at a text. It is useful to use an **animal analogy** to give students a visual reference to help them understand why a particular approach is being used at a particular point, e.g. consider the **eagle**, with its keen eyesight, can see small prey on the ground but also the big picture

**wolf** with a keen sense of smell doggedly follows the scent of its prey. It can travel by night and locate hidden things. It can recall past hunting experiences and good places to find prey, and can even draw on the resources of other wolves in the pack.

This approach of using the eagle's and the wolf's way of looking for prey in the 'terrain' of the text helps students avoid a superficial reading of the text so they can arrive at a whole-of-text meaning.

So if you hear your child talking about "eagle" and "wolf", now you will know what they are talking about.



### ARTIE Academy Launch

Our first ARTIE Academy launch was a huge success. Students with 90% or more attendance, good behaviour and attitude in and out of class will be eligible for the Term 1 reward of the 2021 ARTIE hoodie. Date claimer: Beyond the Girls Broncos launch Tuesday 9th March, p1 and p2 in MU06.

## Stay updated

Stay tuned to our Facebook page for upcoming events.



Search **Deception Bay State High School** on Facebook

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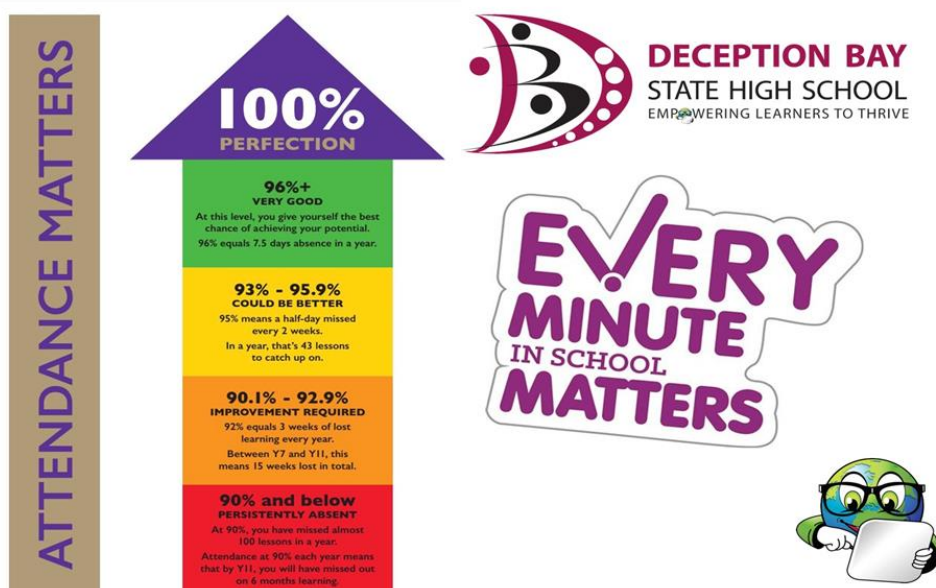


including all black shoes with the formal uniform on Mondays

## Year Level Leaders

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## Attendance Matters



## Uniform Prices

Polo shirt	<b>\$45</b>	Girls' formal shorts	<b>\$38</b>
Shorts	<b>\$35</b>	Girls' skirt	<b>\$40</b>
Girls' blouse	<b>\$35</b>	Boys' formal shorts	<b>\$35</b>
Girls' tie	<b>\$10</b>	Microfibre jacket	<b>\$55</b>
Boys' shirt	<b>\$35</b>	Zipper fleecy jumper	<b>\$35</b>
Boys' tie	<b>\$23</b>	DBSHS bucket hat	<b>\$12.50</b>

*It is Deception Bay State High School policy that all students wear the correct uniform each day. If you have any questions about the uniform, please contact the office on (07) 3897 2222.*