## SCHOOL CALENDAR

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We endeavour to keep any variations to the Calendar to a minimum.
Please review the Calendar each Newsletter to stay abreast of any possible variations.

PRINCIPAL’S ADDRESS

Term 2 Focus
Moranbah SHS is continuing with the focus on the 3 A’s – Attendance, Attitude and Appearance. Attendance rates are sitting around 90% and on a whole, our appearance is becoming better, with most uniforms being appropriate. It is important that we have the support of all parents in this endeavour to have our school really focussed.

Attitude is a key component to student success and we are concentrating on each students’ behaviour and effort. The behaviour graphs, at the end of this article, show what is happening in each year level on a weekly basis. Effort is about how engaged a student is in class. This is something we really need to encourage with some students, while others naturally try to the best of their ability. Once again, it is the support of our parents that will assist us in achieving the effort to the level required.

Our assessment policy is something every parent and student should be aware of. I have discussed this with year 11 and 12 students to ensure they understand the requirements and expectations. A copy of the full school policy is available in every students’ diary. The overarching policy, given to us from the Queensland Studies Authority, is available through their website, [www.qsa.qld.edu.au](http://www.qsa.qld.edu.au). The key features of this policy are:

- All assignments must be in on the due date, unless there is prior agreement regarding late submission. Special consideration for a late assignment includes illness, representation at a sporting/cultural event or a family holiday. This must be applied for prior to the due date and must include some paperwork/medical certificate to approve the absence.
- Any late assessment will be awarded a N/R if there is no documentation or no draft has been submitted. Late assessment may be marked on the draft if there is no further information available. No Result may mean the student loses the credit for the semester which may affect their QCE and/or OP eligibility.

2014 Student Resource Scheme
By now, every parent should have completed their Student Resource Scheme letter and commenced paying the applicable subject fees (were due on the 23 May). At present, we are examining our payment records and those students whose applicable subject fees have not been paid, will be asked to choose alternative subjects.

Please contact me at MSHS on 4949 2111 if you require further clarification regarding the Student Resource Scheme or subject fees.

Junior Secondary
With the impending arrival of year 7’s into High School, a great deal of work is in progress in
preparation for the transfer of current Year 6 students. Our plan is to hold interviews with all Year 7 and 6 parents on Thursday, 14 August to gain an indication of who will be attending and what information needs to be passed on to the school. We will also hold sessions to provide parents with more information regarding the process. It is an exciting time for our young students, many of whom have already experienced High School life through our Days of Excellence program.

**Behaviour Data - Term 2**

The following graphs indicate the minor and major incidents that occurred in each year level, during each week of Term 2. The positive incidents have not been recorded on these graphs, but I will have them available in the end of semester report at the beginning of next semester.

**Year 8** students, as a general rule, have been performing at a high standard each week, with some minor incidents and a few major incidents recorded. Otherwise, their behaviour is generally excellent. The Year 8 students deserve a pat on the back for their great effort during the first two terms.

![Year 8 Behaviour Term 2 2014](image)

**Year 9** is our largest cohort, with 142 students of the total 560 students enrolled at MSHS (over a quarter of our school population). Year 9 behaviour can fluctuate, with a number of minor incidents occurring last week. I would encourage all parents to continue talking with their students and teachers about behaviour; and set high standards and expectations for their student.

![Year 9 Behaviour Term 2 2014](image)

**Year 10** behaviour is normally great, but there have been a couple of peaks during the term. However, overall, the year 10’s have been behaving very well.
Year 11 behaviour has generally been very good also. Some peaks have occurred, especially regarding completion of assessment. Year 11s have been a good cohort to work with, and are fitting in with the requirements of being a senior student and undertaking Queensland Authority Studies senior subjects.

Year 12 has encountered a few issues this year, with the main focus on the timely completion of assessments and following the MSHS assessment policy, as detailed in their school diary. With only a few months left of school, it is important that Year 12 students maintain their focus.

With the positive reward system gaining greater momentum at school, expect to see even more positive letters sent home to parents. It is great to be involved with students, who on the whole, are respectful and set high standards for themselves.

Scott Whybird, Principal
SENIOR EXAM TIMETABLE

All Year 11 and 12 students have received their Semester 1 exam timetable. The exam block commences on Monday, 16 June through to Friday, 20 June. If your child has not received a copy of the timetable, please direct them to see Mrs Roberts as soon as possible.

CLICK HERE for Term 2 Senior Exam Timetable

TERM 2 ASSESSMENT CALENDARS

The Term 2 Assessment Calendars show when assessment items are due for submission and allow you to keep track of deadlines with your child. If you would like any further information on your child’s assessment schedule please contact the school office.

CLICK HERE for Yr 8 Assessment Calendar
CLICK HERE for Yr 9 Assessment Calendar
CLICK HERE for Yr 10 Assessment Calendar
CLICK HERE for Yr 11 Assessment Calendar
CLICK HERE for Yr 12 Assessment Calendar

NEWS AND EVENTS

2014 MORANBAH QUOTA DEBUTANTE BALL

The 3rd Annual Quota International Moranbah Deb Ball (38th Moranbah Annual Debutante Ball) was held at the Moranbah Community Centre on Saturday, 31 May at the Moranbah Community Centre. In a beautiful décor of white, black and blue, 20 MSHS Debutantes were escorted by their Partners and presented to Cr Anne Baker Mayor of the Isaac Regional Council by Ms Josie Barron and Mrs Darlene Chaffey, Governor, District 40, Quota International. Mr Frank Baker greeted the Partners.

Comperes for the evening Tanya Vaughn and Michael Driscoll introduced the 2014 Debutantes and their Partners:

Shannon Cochrane and Josh Reyes, Tori Gordon and Dion McConnell
Janaya Maher and Cameron Neary, Shaylee Davis and Matthew McKillop,
Imogein Dullahide and Beau Wilson, Brianna Hemsley and Jack Tracy,
Rebecca Carey and Callum Burke, Kayla Simpson and Chris Sarumaha,
Chloe Chomiccki and Harrison Witherspoon, Melissa Fahe y and Jaidyn Mills,
Cassidy Kennedy and Brandon Atto, Lauren King and Ethan Wicks,

Tiana Jensen and Brodie McDonald, Rebecca Gordon and Corey Heaton,  
Madeleine Wood and Josh Mendezona, Hannah Briggs and Ryley Drewett,  
Jemma Lawton and Cameron Scott, Lily Rigano and Brandon Newey,  
Taylor McPherson and Sean Lawton, Makala Barwick and Lauchlan Magarry.  

Mrs Rose Vella played Grand Piano during the presentation.  

The couples dance card consisted of the Swing Waltz, the Pride of Erin, the Gypsy Tap, the Progressive Barn Dance, the Cha Cha and the Jive, as well as a thoroughly enjoyable version of Michael Jackson’s ‘Thriller’, performed by the Partners and a classy, little dance number, performed by the Debutantes, to “Bella's Finals’ from the ‘Pitch Perfect’ soundtrack.  

Tiana Jensen and Brodie McDonald cut the Debutante cake (made by ITI Catering) and Madeline Wood spoke on behalf of the Debutantes and their Partners.  

After the formalities, parents, family members and guests were invited to dance the night away to the swinging tunes of CQ dance band, Hot 3.  

Special Thanks go to Marcia Goulevitch, David and Lynette Tracy, Nicole Hartney, Terri Barwick, Lynette Scott, Fiona Lawton, Neil Wicks and Judy Naumann for their assistance in training the Debutantes and Partners and planning the 2014 Moranbah Quota Debutante Ball.  

Ball coordinator, Judy Naumann, wishes to thank everybody who contributed and volunteered their time to assist with the 2014 Quota Deb Ball.  

The Ball has only been possible through the support of Ball Patrons and the generous sponsorship of The Moranbah Community Worker’s Club, Isaac Regional Council, Moranbah Freemasons and the Western Heritage Motor Inn.  

"Thank You" to the following Moranbah businesses for donating items for the Door Raffle, Lucky Door and Lucky Spot Prizes  
Zootown - Sportspower - Jenny Kinderis - TCS - Moranbah Pharmacy --High Country Enterprises and the Black Nugget Hotel Motel -  

Judy Naumann Ball Coordinator ph49418128 0408963062
POSITION VACANT
ADMINISTRATION OFFICER (AO2)

30 hours per week - Temporary Contract
ending 12 December 2014 with the possibility of extension.

Application Packages containing the Role Description can be collected from the Moranbah State High School Office.

Applicants are to provide:

1. A covering letter (maximum 2 pages) outlining your experience and knowledge;
2. Detailed resume and two (2) current referees.

Applications close Friday, 27 June 2014 at 5:00pm

Please forward applications to:

Business Services Manager
Moranbah State High School
PO Box 63
Moranbah Qld 4744
Or email: tjohn107.eq.edu.au

Conditions:
The Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian Act 2000 requires the successful applicant to be subject to a "working with children check" as part of the employment screening process. Further details regarding this check may be obtained by accessing their website [http://www.ccypcg.qld.gov.au](http://www.ccypcg.qld.gov.au)

Furthermore, the successful applicant may be subject to a probation period of up to a maximum of three (3) months. In determining the probation period to be applied, prior service with the Department may be taken into account.

**POSITION VACANT**

**SCHOOL'S OFFICER (Groundsperson)**

**38 hours per week - Permanent**

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Collecting data on school students with disability helps teachers, principals and education authorities support the participation of students with disability in schooling on the same basis as students without disability.

All Australian Governments have agreed to work together on the annual collection of data on school students with disability.

In 2013, 10% of Queensland state schools participated in the first year of implementation. In 2014, two thirds of Queensland schools will participate and all schools will be collect data from 2015. Our school was involved in 2013 and will be involved in the nationally consistent collection of data again this year.

Please be reassured that the Department will not provide on to another organisation any data that can identify an individual student. The only data being collected at the school level to be reported nationally is the:

- number of students in the school who are provided with an adjustment to address a disability;
- level of adjustments we provide for those students; and
- broad category of disability.

Consultation with parents is important not only for the data collection but also to ensure you aware of the adjustments being provided to support your child. We will therefore continue to consult with you.

While only data that cannot identify your child will be submitted outside of the Department, if you do not wish for your child’s details to be included, please contact Miss Angela Radford on 4949 2111 or aradf5@eq.edu.au

Information and fact sheets are available to help you make a decision from the:


Alternatively, if you have any queries about the collection or use of this data I encourage you to contact me directly.

Miss Angela Radford, Deputy Principal

CLICK HERE for more information regarding SCSEEC Nationally Consistent Collection of Data
PEERS

by Michael Gross, Parenting Ideas

THE AGONY AND ECSTASY

Young people generally want to fit into their various social groups so peer approval is a significant
driver for their behaviour. For a young person resisting peer influence can mean isolation or instant
ostracism so it sometimes takes great strength of will to refuse to follow the crowd.

Having a group of friends is one of the most
important parts of being an adolescent. It is
how teenagers learn to get on in the world of
their own age group and to gradually
become independent. It is important for
parents to understand the value of peer
groups for young people and also remember

that peers can be positive influences.

POSITIVE PEERS

Peer groups can give young people a sense of belonging, which gives them an increased sense of
self-confidence. They also provide safe testing grounds for attitudes and values outside their family at
a time when young people are trying to define their identity. By and large, peers can be very
supportive of each other but they can also be judgemental and the cause of heartache when conflict
or alienation occurs.

UNWANTED PEER PRESSURE

While the increased influence of peers is a normal part of a young person’s development they can
sometimes use some help to resist the pressure to conform that is placed on them. The following
ideas may assist you to help young people resist unwanted peer pressure:

1. **TALK ABOUT PEER INFLUENCE WITH YOUNG PEOPLE.** Be open and frank about the
   subject. Let them know that while much of the influence of their friends is positive, some is not
   in their best interests

2. **HELP YOUNG PEOPLE SAY NO - AND STILL SAVE FACE AND STATUS AMONG THEIR
   FRIENDS.** Allow them to blame you for not letting them do something they don’t feel
   comfortable with but can’t admit to.
3. **ENCOURAGE THEM TO THINK THROUGH THE CONSEQUENCES OF THEIR DECISIONS.**
   When young people are put on the spot they should think about the risk factors involved and err on the side of caution. Encourage them to think “Is this behaviour smart? Is it in my best interests?”

4. **AVOID MAKING YOUR YOUNG PERSON RELIANT ON THE APPROVAL OF OTHERS,** including you, as the basis of their self-esteem. Allow them to feel comfortable holding opinions and views that are different to yours.

5. **AVOID CRITICISING YOUR TEENAGER’S FRIENDS,** as he or she may take it personally. Discuss your concerns and talk about behaviours rather than personalities when you discuss their choice of friends.

**PEERS AND YOU**
Here are some ideas to help you cope and get along with your young person and his or her peer group:

- Embrace your young person’s friends. Make them welcome in your home. Take an interest in them and get to know them.
- Set some house rules regarding what’s acceptable in your house, but don’t be too heavy-handed as you want your home to be a welcoming place for young people.
- Provide space and privacy for your teenager and friends in your home.
- Keep some food available and encourage them to make their own snacks and clean up their own mess.
- Be firm about your views about acceptable videos, alcohol use and sexual activities at home.

**DISAPPROVAL OF FRIENDS**
It is common for parents to disapprove of their young person’s choice of friends, due to their behaviour, poor reputation or adverse influence they may have. It is a testing issue for many parents as it means they need to trust their young person’s judgement. Criticising a young person’s choice of friends is like criticising them personally so parents need to be careful how they handle these issues.

**HERE ARE SOME IDEAS:**

- Investigate to see if your concerns are real.
- Discuss the immediate and long-term consequences of their behaviours that may concern you.
- Encourage diversity of friendships.
- Make an effort to get to know their friends and have them at your place.
Discuss your concerns with your young person but refer to the behaviours that peers appear to display rather than their character.

**KEEP IN MIND**

1. Peer groups are generally a positive influence but it is natural to have concerns about the choice of peers.
2. Get to know your children’s friends and make your home a teenager-friendly place.
3. Give your young person some skills to recognise and resist adverse peer pressure and display your trust in his or her ability to make smart choices.

**MAKE EVERYDAY COUNT IN 2014**

Make 2014 the year when your child doesn’t miss a day of school. Research shows that students who have good patterns of attendance are more likely to achieve at school. If students aren’t at school or don’t stay the whole day, they are missing valuable lessons. Check out the new Every Day Counts videos live on DETE TV.

http://www.youtube.com/DETTQueensland

**HOMEWORK CLUB**

**MONDAY Afternoons - 3-4pm**

Homework Club is an initiative put in place for students who may need a quiet space outside of school hours to complete homework or consult with a teacher regarding assessment.

Homework Club suits a range of students, including those who come from busy homes; students who may need additional help regarding homework completion; those without adequate technology to complete work; and even those students who just enjoy working in a quiet, supportive space.

Homework Club occurs **MONDAY** afternoons from 3-4pm in K16 & K18 and is monitored by a teacher who is there to ensure your child has access to facilities and advice in order to complete their homework or assessment.

For more information, email Mr Jamon Bull at bull125@eq.edu.au or call the school on 4949 2111.

Mr Jamon Bull
Classroom Teacher (History/FPS)
Homework Club Coordinator
Year Level Coordinator (Year 10)

**MRAEL eNEWSLETTER**

MRAEL produce a quarterly eNewsletter to provide students, parents and teachers with information regard traineeships and apprenticeships. The link to the eNewsletter is listed below:


Phone: 1300 4 MRAEL (1300 467 235)
Website: www.mrael.com.au

**MSHS is NOW on FACEBOOK**

Like us on Facebook at Moranbah State High School.

The official page features the school logo.

*To protect the safety and integrity of the site, all posts are subject to approval.*

If you have any questions please contact me at ibrow302@eg.edu.au

**ATTENTION PARENTS / CAREGIVERS**

If you have recently changed your contact details -

i.e. your home address, home phone number, mobile phone number, place of employment, work phone number, etc,

Please contact our office - 4949 2111 - as soon as possible, so that we can ensure our records are up-to-date.

**COALFIELDS TRAINING EXCELLENCE CENTRE**
MSHS P&C ASSOCIATION

GENERAL MEETING

MONDAY, 16 JUNE 2014 - 4:30PM

MSHS LIBRARY

• President - Lee Booth
• Vice President - Craig Miels
• Secretary - Jodie Cliffe
• Treasurer - Terri Barwick

EVERYBODY WELCOME !!!

MSHS PARENTS & CITIZENS Assoc

“Research shows that children perform better at school when their parents are involved in their education.”
What does a P&C do?
The P&C is about people – just like you – parents, care givers and community minded people who want to help their school. You work very closely with your school, building a stronger school community, where all children benefit.

How YOU can help! There are a number of ways to be involved:
+ Just by joining your P&C you add your voice to what's happening in the school;
+ Attend P&C meetings;
+ Tuckshop volunteer;
+ Committee member.

REMEMBER: The things YOU do make a Real difference!

- Join Your P&C -

ATTENTION!!! WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

MSHS Tuckshop is a major fundraising initiative run by the P&C Assoc which provides an invaluable service to the students and staff of MSHS.

The Tuckshop relies heavily on volunteer support to maintain this service, and as you can see on the following Tuckshop Roster,

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Your assistance would be greatly appreciated - even if you can only help out a couple of hours a day, a week, a fortnight or a month.

Experience is not required!

You can even assist from home by writing on food bags and containers, tearing alfoil, etc.

If you are interested in lending a hand, or would like further information, please contact our Tuckshop Convenor, Sharon Dempster on 4949 2139.

Every little bit helps!

THE COMMUNITY
CAR PARK UPGRADE at MORANBAH AIRPORT

Information for Travellers

BMA has commenced work on an upgrade of the car park at Moranbah Airport to improve safety, efficiency and amenity for all users.

Major components of the upgrade will include:

- asphalt surfacing of the long-term car park and installation of covered walkways
- footpath lighting and landscaping
- improvements to the short-term car park (including a separate drop-and-go-zone)
- a dedicated hire-vehicle car park

The bus turn-around area will not be impacted by construction. Light vehicle access to the bus area is restricted to authorised vehicles only.

What does this mean for passengers?

BMA will set up a temporary car park during construction activities. Access to the temporary car park is south of the current car park entry on Moranbah Access Road. A temporary speed reduction will be in place on Moranbah Access Road for the duration of the project (please see diagram below).

Please take extra care when travelling through Moranbah Airport while the works are in progress, and follow signage to interim parking arrangements.

The upgrade is a requirement of our Development Approval, and will take approximately six months to complete. BMA will take every measure to minimise disruption and inconvenience to passengers during this time.

Please allow extra time for parking your car during the construction period.

Cynthia McCullough
Manager Operations
Infrastructure and Asset Management
LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

Looks what’s STARTING SOON at the PCYC Cap Coast…

Structured Programmes, including Rockclimbing, Abseiling, Highropes, Kayaking, Raftbuilding, Team & Leadership games. Just to name a few.

Accommodation and Catering is available for groups staying overnight.

A DISCOUNT for all activities is currently on offer.

Please call 4930 2022 or drop into the centre at 170 Matthew Flinders Drive, YEPPOO during business hours (9-5pm – Monday to Friday), for details.

SPECIAL OFFER

20% Discount for ALL programmes booked and confirmed prior to 31 December 2014. Valid for Programme bookings, arriving prior to 30 June 2015.

CLICK HERE TO READ INFORMATION PACKAGE

CLICK HERE FOR PROGRAM PRICING

LOCAL BUYING COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
Are you a small business in MORANBAH, DYSART or NEBO?
Do you need a WEBSITE?

The Local Buying Community Foundation invites interested small businesses to participate in one of two initiatives designed to help small business design and develop their website.

CLICK HERE for more information

St JOSEPH THE WORKER CATHOLIC PARISH

St Joseph the Worker Catholic Parish
73 Belyando Ave Moranbah

We will live out the commission of Jesus to witness to him: seeking to grow in our faith and participating in the life of our church and the broader community. Cf. Mat 28: 16-20 & Acts 1:8

Gathering times for June
Saturday 7 June 6pm
Saturday 14 June 6pm with Children’s Liturgy
Sunday 15 June 8am with Children’s Liturgy and a Shared Morning Tea
Saturday 21 June 6pm with a Shared Supper
Saturday 28 June 6pm

Baptisms and Marriage by appointment

Date Claimer
Christmas Fair Friday 28 Nov 5.30pm

Pastoral Leaders
Desley Kerr  Marcia Goulevitch  Dale Cooper

Parish Office: 73 Belyando Avenue, Moranbah – PO Box 43, Moranbah  Q. 4744
Telephone: (07) 4941 7379 – Fax: (07) 4941 9964 –Mobile: 942892033
E-mail: moranbahce@bigpond.com  ABN: 96 079 889 826

WELCOME TO MORANBAH

Welcome to Moranbah
New Residents Morning Tea

Moranbah and District Support Services would like to invite all new residents to a Welcome to Moranbah Morning Tea. It is an opportunity to meet other new residents, receive a Welcome Pack, and find out more information about Moranbah and the surrounding region. Come along and go into the draw for a Moranbah Community Workers Club Voucher.

When: 05 August 2014

Where: Moranbah Community Workers Club

Time: 10:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m.

For more information and to RSVP, please contact Marilyn at Moranbah and District Support Service on (07) 4941 5164.

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

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COLLINSVILLE BACON BUSTERS COMP
QUEENSLAND CHILD PROTECTION WEEK

7-13 September 2014
At Community Training Australia we offer Nationally Accredited training programs designed to be dynamic and life changing. Our passion is to see people’s lives change through our training.

Whether it’s gaining great employment, personal healing & self esteem or being inspired to make a difference to your community at CTA we get excited to be part of your journey.

Now Offering:

- Diploma of Counselling (CHC51712)
- Diploma of Community Services (Alcohol, Other Drugs and Mental Health) (CHC50412)
- Diploma of Community Services (Case Management) (CHC52008)
- Diploma of Youth Work (CHC50413)

It doesn’t matter where you are located in Australia, you are able to study at our Malanda Campus (QLD) (via a mix mode of distance and in class) and we are one of the only training organisations that
have VET FEE Help available to our students. This means any costs incurred – both travel, accommodation and tuition fees are covered by the Government.

So what are you waiting for? Ring our friendly team today for more information!

Ph: 0740 966 590 or email emma@cta.com.au www.cta.com.au

"STAR" - Students At Risk

Moranbah & District Support Services (MDSS)

The Goal of STAR is to provide all students with an equal opportunity to engage in a well-balanced educational experience.

Any family in financial need may inquire about funding through STAR at the Moranbah & District Support Services located at 92 Mills Avenue, Moranbah.

Funding is provided for families who seek assistance for:

- Books and stationary
- School uniforms
- School fees
- School excursions
- Arts Council events
- Year or Subject camps
- And more....

STAR is not a funded program and relies solely on donations.

If you would like to make a donation, please contact the Community & Individual Support Worker via phone: 4941 5164 or email: ciswmdss@moranbah.net.au

MDSS is a public benevolent institution and all donations are tax deductible.

THE FEED

A new Student discount app, known as the Feed is now available for download on both the app and android store.
The Feed, brings students a range of discounts from the region and is FREE to download. Download today to receive discounts at gyms, restaurants, mechanical, medical and a range of other local businesses. Go to www.studymackay.com.au to download.

The Feed is proudly sponsored by Study Mackay-Isaac-Whitsunday and BMC.

For businesses wanting to find out how they can post their promotions to the app, email info@studymackay.com.au; head to www.studymackay.com.au for more information or call 4953 2655.

NATIONAL ANIMAL RESCUE GROUPS OF AUSTRALIA (NARGA) Inc

Can you temporarily open your home and your heart to a pet in need?

Are you looking for good company and a heart-rewarding experience?

We won’t ask for a loan or to borrow the car! We won’t stay out late and worry you!

We are free, all our costs are covered we will offer you lots of cuddles and kisses. We will only ask for a warm safe home until we find our forever home.

We would be forever thankful for your part in saving our lives. We come in all shapes and sizes and we make great company and really need your help.

If you can help us please email our person narga.nfdc@gmail.com and she will send you some information. Thanks!

Together we will make a difference! www.narga.org.au

SUPPORT MORANBAH STATE HIGH SCHOOL !!!

High Country Enterprises Community Support Program

When you shop at High Country Enterprises don’t forget to write ‘MSHS’ on the back of your Hardware or Garden Centre sales docket and drop into one of the entry boxes located in store.
For every dollar you spend at High Country Enterprises, they will donate a percentage of their sales, to our school – as long as you remember to write ‘MSHS’ on the back of your docket…

*What a way to support your local community!!*

*MSHS would like to take this opportunity to thank High Country Enterprises for their past generosity and continued support of our great school!*

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**FOSTER CARER**

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**FAMILY LAW NETWORK AUSTRALIA**

We have recently launched the website Family Law Network Australia. The website is a free information resource and referral service for family law matters.

We invite you to visit *Family Law Network Australia* at [www.familylawmattersaustralia.com.au](http://www.familylawmattersaustralia.com.au)

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**QUEENSLAND POLICE SERVICE PARTY SAFE PROGRAM**

Everyone enjoys going to or hosting a great party. For young people it is certainly a part of growing up and celebrating special occasions with friends.
The Queensland Police Service Party Safe program allows you to register your party with local police. Registering your party gives police the opportunity to supply you with some great advice and resources to help you organise a safe and lawful party. It also ensures that, if things do go wrong on the night, police have the information necessary to effectively deal with issues.

To find out more about Party Safe, and for some great ideas to help make your party safe, lawful and enjoyable for everyone concerned, including parents, hosts and guests, go to www.police.qld.gov.au/party.

"PARTY SAFE" FOR PARENTS

Everyone wants to enjoy themselves at a party and have a night out they will remember for all the right reasons. The following information contains strategies to help parents and guardians equip their children with the information they need to enjoy a safe party experience.

Inform yourself, speak with the party host and find out:

- How many people will be attending the party?
- Who and how many people will be supervising the party?
- Will alcohol be available at the party, and if so, how will it be managed?
- Will food be available at the party?
- What time is the party expected to finish?
- Will the party be registered with the police?
- Get the phone number of the house where the party is being held of the mobile phone number of the host.

** Reach an agreement with your child about how they will be getting home and who might accompany them home. Discourage them from walking home alone.

** Discuss what they should do if there are unexpected delays or problems with getting home, including how they might contact you to let you know of the delay or problem.

** Let your child know that you are prepared to go and pick them up. Whilst this may be inconvenient, it can reduce the risk of assault and other problems.

** Talk to your child about how to have a good time at a party without coming to harm and reinforce with them that they can enjoy themselves without alcohol or other drugs.

** Discuss backup plans should the party get out-of-control, and the importance of following any directions given to them by a police officer. It is an offence not to comply with the directions of a police officer, and if charged and convicted, could see your child facing a significant fine or
imprisonment. Encourage a strong sense of responsibility in your child to do the right thing and look after themselves and their friends. For example, your child could facilitate an early and safe exit for a friend who is intoxicated.

** Remember, it is an offence to supply alcohol to a person under 18 in a public place. If you are caught supplying alcohol to any minor in a public place, you could be slapped with an on-the-spot-fine or have to attend court, where maximum penalties can apply.

If is an offence to supply alcohol to a person under 18 on private property unless you are a responsible adult for the minor (i.e. a parent, step-parent, guardian or adult who has parental rights and responsibilities for the minor) and are responsibly supervising the minor. If police are called to a party and see the irresponsible supply of alcohol to a minor, police may seize all alcohol, and if you supplied the alcohol, you could face charges in court and a significant fine.

** Talk to your child about the standard of behaviour you expect from them at the party. If your child becomes involved in any out-of-control conduct that causes or contributes to a party becoming out of control, they could be committing an offence and could face a significant fine or imprisonment. They could also be ordered by the court to contribute to an costs incurred by police in responding to the out-of-control party, and if your child is unable to pay the costs, you (as their parent) or guardian, could be called upon to pay.

** Actively monitor your child and what they are doing.

** Discuss what your child should do if they are asked by the party host or organiser to leave the party. If it happens, they should leave immediately without incident.

** It is generally illegal to drink alcohol in a public place (including a park or beach) and if found drinking in public, you could be fined or have to attend court. It is also illegal for a minor - under 18 years of age - to possess or consume alcohol in a public place - it is even illegal for a minor to carry a bottle of wine for you across the road.


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