# CHATHAM High School NEWSLETTER



Term 2 - Week 1 - 2020

# Welcome back to Term 2.

I'm sure most would agree that it has been quite an unusual start to a term. I would like to give a huge shout out to all the parents, carers, students and staff who have got on with the business of learning in these challenging circumstances. As you may be aware, the plan for the next few weeks is that Chatham High School is open to students of essential workers and as of week 3 all students will attend one day per week. During weeks 1 and 2 all students have been invited to join in daily zoom meetings with each faculty, the timetable for these meetings is on page 2 of this newsletter. Details of week 3 will be published on our various communication platforms next week.

#### Some items to note -

#### Weeks 1-2

- Online lessons through Google Classrooms
- All students will complete 1 unit of work either online or onsite
- Return your Learning Package
- Attend Zoom meetings





Innovative designs

#### Years 11 and 12

- Continue to work in Google Classroom
- Complete ALL Work
- Stay in touch with your Year Adviser
- New Assessment Schedule from Week 2

Don't forget, if you have any questions or need tech support contact the school at **chatham-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au** or on 65552 2588

## Returning Learning Packages

If your student has completed their Term 1 Learning Packages they can be returned to the front office or you may contact us if you need he Griffin Express to collected them. Please label the packages with your students name and the class teacher.





### Welcome back to Term 2

As you are aware Term 2 commenced Wednesday, April 29 for those students who need to attend, however, families are still encouraged to keep students at home where possible. We would like to encourage our students to embrace their online learning during Weeks 1 and 2. To further assist students with their learning a timetable has been developed where each faculty will contact students in their year groups and in the times allotted. Staff will post the meeting details and invitations onto their Google classrooms.

Week 1	Monday 27/4/20	Tuesday 28/4/20	Wednesday 29/4/20	Thursday 30/4/20	Friday 1/5/20
Year 7 9.15am - 9.45am				Maths	HSIE
Year 8 10.00am - 10.30am				Maths	HSIE
Year 9 10.45am - 11.15am	Staff Dovolo	nmont Dave		Maths	HSIE
Year 10 11.30am - 12.00pm	31dii Develo	pment Days		Maths	HSIE
Year 11 12.15pm - 1.00pm				Maths	HSIE
Year 12 1.30pm - 2.15pm				Maths	HSIE

Week 2	Monday 4/5/20	Tuesday 5/5/20	Wednesday 6/5/20	Thursday 7/5/20	Friday 8/5/20
Year 7 9.15am - 9.45am	English	PDHPE	Science	Year Adviser	САРА
Year 8 10.00am - 10.30am	English	PDHPE	Science	Year Adviser	САРА
Year 9 10.45am - 11.15am	English	PDHPE	Science	Year Adviser	САРА
Year 10 11.30am - 12.00pm	English	PDHPE	Science	Year Adviser	САРА
Year 11 12.15pm - 1.00pm	English	PDHPE	Science	Year Adviser	САРА
Year 12 1.30pm - 2.15pm	English	PDHPE	Science	Year Adviser	САРА



#### Farewell Nathan

On the last day of Term 1, we said farewell to Student Support Office, Nathan Paff. Nathan has played a crucial role in supporting our students and promoting their wellbeing for many years. He has facilitated many programs over the years aimed at building resilience and increasing self confidence in our young people. Nathan founded our now annual Griff Fest, a great day of fun for both students and staff that celebrates the successes of the year and builds positive relationships. We wish Nathan all the very best as he leaves us to complete his studies.



# **Pumpkin Weighing Competition**

Mr Kleynhans put out the challenge this week to guess the weight of our giant pumpkins. These pumpkins were bound for the Royal Easter Show for judging but instead we have donated them to a local pig farm for feed. We had an overwhelming number of responses but the winners were;

Small pumpkin - 64kgs - Jodie Bird Large pumpkin - 94.5kgs - Rachel Carey Total weight - 156.50kg - Naomi Browbrick and Kristie Wallace

Thanks to everyone who took part and stay tuned for our next competition.







# CHATHAM High School



Ms Wilson returns as Head Teacher Welfare and TAS teacher after spending the last 12 months playing mum. If students need to discuss anything welfare or health related they can speak to Ms Wilson or their Year Adviser team Ms Wilson can now be found in B Block.

Welcome back also to Mr Heiss, Head Teacher TAS. Mr Heiss returns this term after spending Term 1 travelling the world.





Congratulations to Jordan Hinton on successfully gaining permanency in our PDHPE faculty. Jordan is a former graduate of Chatham High School and a dedicated teacher focusing on academic excellence and maintaining student overall wellbeing. He completed his Bachelor of Secondary Teaching/Health & Physical Education at the University of Newcastle. After gaining experience working in a variety of high schools in the Newcastle area and Jordan has returned to the area. He is a proud member of the local community and strives to achieve excellence in all facets of his teaching.

Hi everyone,

My name is Dee Dutka and I am the new permanent Visual Arts and Photography Teacher at Chatham High School. I graduated as a Chatham High School student in 2012 and went on to

study a Bachelor of Fine Arts at the University of Newcastle, where I majored in Photomedia. I spent a lot of time in the darkroom where I developed a love of film photography. While I was studying, I got a job as a student ambassador for the University and got to travel around to career expositions and talk to high school students about the different ways they can get into university and what they can study. This is when I fell in love with the idea of teaching and I went on to study a Master of Teaching (Secondary) at the University of Newcastle. Since graduating I have worked at several schools around the Hunter and Mid North Coast and am very excited to start my new position here at Chatham High School.





Hi, I am Mr Mowle, I will be teaching Science at Chatham High. I have a strong interest in Science especially anything to do with the ocean, and also sports. I look forward to meeting and working with you all over the year.