



# Principal's Message

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## Principal - Mark Marciniak

As we move into Term 4, I would like to wish our Year 12 students all the best in their upcoming HSC exams. It has been a very challenging two years for our young men, and I hope that they will be rewarded for their perseverance and commitment.

The Higher School Certificate (HSC) is the highest educational award in secondary education in New South Wales. It is awarded to students who have satisfactorily completed Years 11 and 12 at secondary school. It is a major academic accomplishment for students to achieve this award.

The first HSC exam commences on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> of October and the last exam is scheduled for the 4<sup>th</sup> of November. HSC results are expected to be released on the 15<sup>th</sup> of December 2022.

Further information can be obtained from <https://studentonline.nesa.nsw.edu.au>

### Year 12 Graduation

To celebrate individual academic success and acknowledge the Year 12 2022 cohort we had the privilege of holding our Year 12 Graduation on Thursday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of September. This year's event was held at the St George Motorboat Club at Sans Souci.

We had an incredible turn out of parents/carers, family and staff to collectively share the achievements of these fine young men.

Congratulations to our outgoing captains and prefects and well done to our 2023 School Captains and Senior Prefect who were the master of ceremonies on the evening.

It was an honour to acknowledge and reward the hard work of the students who achieved first place in their respective subjects by presenting their awards to them in front of their family, friends, and teachers. Congratulations to those students who were awarded for the leadership, community and allrounder awards such as the ADF award, the Caltex Award and the Reuben F Scarf award.

Thank you to the P&C who donated funds for the purchase of prizes that were issued to the recipients.

I would also like to acknowledge all the hard work and commitment of our teachers and non-teaching staff in supporting the students and their families particularly during the previous two years.

Additionally, I would also like to thank all our parents and carers of our Year 12 cohort. It has been a privilege knowing you and working with you during the time your son/s have been at James Cook Boys Technology High School, and I wish you and your son/s all the best in the future.

## **SRC Induction and School Captain induction**

Congratulations to our newly elected school leadership team for 2023. I am pleased to announce that our School Captains for 2023 are Tony Winspear and Mahbirul Haq. Daniel Gulic was elected Senior Prefect and David Nicoletti and Mohammad Yassine were elected School Prefects. I am very confident that our newly elected senior leaders will do a fantastic job in representing and leading the school during their tenure over the next twelve months.

To acknowledge their successful election, we will be having our badging ceremony for the senior school leaders and the SRC on Friday the 21<sup>st</sup> of October. Further information will be provided to the families of the captains and the SRC.

## **12<sup>th</sup> December (Week 10) Activities Week**

This year we will be able to recommence our end of year activities. Although we are still confirming our full schedule, we are looking at including a variation of swim school for the junior students, activities such as the movies, sports days, rock climbing, an adventure day, work experience week for Year 10 and Year 11/12 assessment week.

Activities Week provides an opportunity for students to experience learning activities outside of the classroom and develop positive relationships with their peers and teachers. It also allows our senior students (Year 11 starting Year 12) to have an immersive week of learning to complete their first assessment task for Year 12.

Further information will be provided to students, parents/carers in the following weeks.

## **Presentation Day**

To acknowledge our student's achievements throughout the year we will be having our annual Presentation Day Ceremony on Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> of December in the school hall. Parents/Carers of students receiving an award will be invited to attend and parents/carers who would like to attend are most welcome.

Final academic reports will also be issued to any parents who are present on the day after the ceremony and for those parents/carers not in attendance they will have their son/s reports emailed home with a hardcopy also being posted. Unfortunately, we will not be holding parent teacher interviews for the end of year reports. If you would like an update on your son's academic progress, please contact the school and ask to speak with your son's Year Advisor and a progress report and meeting can be arranged.

## **Important dates for 2022**

All students return for the start of Term 4 on Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> of October  
Last day for students for 2022 is Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> of December  
Last day for teaching and non-teaching staff is Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> of December  
HSC results are expected to be released on Thursday the 15<sup>th</sup> of December

## **Term 1 2023 dates**

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of January staff only days  
Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> of January Year 7, 11 and 12 return to school  
Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> of February all year groups return.

For the latest updates, information, news, and pictures of school activities please follow us on Facebook (James Cook Boys Technology High School) or access our webpage at <https://jamescookb-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/>