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Newsletter Edition 10

Brookton District High School

Principals Address

Principal's Address – School Assembly

Brookton District High School

Theme: Lucky in 4 Ways – Great Students, Great Staff, Great Family Support, Great Community Connections

Good morning, students, staff, and families.

Today, I want to share how incredibly fortunate we are here at Brookton District High School – in four powerful ways. We are lucky to have great students, great staff, great family support, and great community connections. Together, these make Brookton DHS a place where students thrive, grow, and SOAR.

1. Great Students

Let's start by celebrating our great students.

A huge thank you to our amazing Year 3/4 class for your fantastic performance this morning. You were confident, expressive, and an absolute joy to watch. Tomorrow, you'll visit Kalkarni Nursing Home to perform again for the residents – a kind and generous act of service that shows how we are nurturing compassionate citizens.

Our students have been shining in many ways:

- Our high school students partnered with medical students from the Curtin School of Rural Health to plant a therapy sensory garden at the Brookton Community Garden – contributing to both wellbeing and community beautification.
- Our Year 9/10 Hospitality class catered the MAGIC Mother's Day Morning Tea, and attended the Illuminate Workshop, developing their leadership and entrepreneurial skills.

To all students who participated in the Cross Country Carnival – well done for your determination and spirit.

Could I now invite our Interschool Carnival representatives to stand and be acknowledged?

Let's give them a warm round of applause!

Also, could our music lesson participants please stand?

Your commitment and enthusiasm have brought joy and culture into our school – we're proud of what you're building through music.

I also want to highlight the outstanding behaviour and respect our students have shown during the Reconciliation Walk and music sessions – with multiple community members praising how well our students represent Brookton

Important Dates

Every Wednesday

Community Garden Visit HS

Every Thursday

Canteen

Music Lessons

Tue 3 June

Staff Development Day
(Pupil Free Day)

Wed 4 June

Interschool Cross Country
Board Meeting

23-25 June

Year 5-6 Camp.

Thur 26 June

Interschool Winter Carnival

30 June-2 July

WBYM Camp

Thur 3 July

Room 2 Assembly

Fri 4 July

last day of term

Mon 21 July

First day of term 3

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2. Great Staff

We are very lucky to have a dedicated and skilled group of great staff.

Thank you to Mrs Eyre for leading National Simultaneous Storytime, where we shared the fun of “Benny the Blue Cat and the Truck That Could.”

Thank you also to Mrs Watts and Mrs Ferguson for planning the wonderful MAGIC Mother’s Day Morning Tea, which welcomed 45 special women from our community.

At a time when many schools are cutting back on camps, we’re proud to say we have two exciting camps coming up this year — thanks to the effort and commitment of our staff who know the value of learning beyond the classroom.

To all our teachers, EAs, support staff, and leadership — thank you for making this school more than a place to learn, but a place where young people feel seen, supported, and successful.

3. Great Family Support

We are also so fortunate to have strong and active family support.

Thank you to the parents who joined us for the Reconciliation Walk, the MAGIC Morning Tea, and today’s assembly — especially our Year 3/4 families, who are invited to the library for a special Reading Morning Tea following assembly.

Special mention to:

- Our active P&C, who support school initiatives and student enrichment
- Our strong School Board, helping to guide the future of Brookton DHS
- Our Room 3 parent reading volunteers, giving their time to build literacy and connection
- And to the families and students who have worked hard fundraising for the Year 5/6 camp — your efforts are deeply appreciated and help make these experiences possible.

Your involvement makes a real difference.

4. Great Community Connections

Our fourth great strength is our community. We are so lucky to be supported by such strong partnerships across Brookton.

- Thank you to the Brookton Community Garden for working with our high school horticulture students — creating hands-on learning opportunities that are grounded in care for the environment.
 - Our connection with Kalkarni Nursing Home continues to strengthen — not only through special performances like tomorrow’s visit by our Year 2/3 students, but also through exciting upcoming work experience opportunities that foster meaningful intergenerational learning.
 - We are also grateful to the Seabrook Aboriginal Corporation, who regularly welcome our students to take part in cultural and community events, nurturing pride, identity, and a deeper connection to Country.
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·Our Birdiya Yok Young Women Leaders' Group continues to empower the next generation of strong, confident young women. We thank the dedicated mentors and community leaders who support and guide this valuable initiative.

·A heartfelt thank you goes to YouthCARE and our school chaplain, who coordinate a number of impactful wellbeing programs, as well as to our volunteer scripture teachers, whose time and care add to the richness of our school community.

·We also extend sincere thanks to our local RSL and the Shire of Brookton for their ongoing involvement and support of school events, and to our wonderful volunteer fire brigade, who help keep the much-loved last-day waterslide tradition alive each year.

·Looking ahead, we are excited to commence work-based learning opportunities for our Year 10 students, and we look forward to forming even more partnerships within our local community to support this important pathway..

These partnerships enrich our students' lives far beyond the classroom and help strengthen the community as a whole.

Looking Ahead

We'll soon be hosting a Year 6 Orientation Day, and we encourage families to consider keeping your child at Brookton DHS for secondary schooling.

We offer:

- All core subjects taught by experienced specialist teachers
- A diverse and exciting range of electives, including:
 - Manual Arts
 - Home Economics
 - Beauty Therapy
 - Coding & 3D Printing
 - Outdoor Education

Many Year 6 students are just 11 years old — a very young age to be travelling two hours daily by bus or boarding away from home. Here at Brookton, we offer a high-quality secondary education right here in your community.

More information will be sent home shortly.

Finally, a quick reminder: we'll soon be making changes to our school software system. Please keep an eye on school communications for details and support.

Thank you all for being part of this thriving, lucky, and united school community — with great students, great staff, great family support, and great community partnerships.

Let's continue to SOAR together.

Have a wonderful day!
