Year 7 Parents’ Afternoon – AGAIN!

We are having another Year 7 Parents’ Afternoon on Monday 9th of March at 3:15pm in the Sports Hall. After the cancellation of the first Parents’ Afternoon we have had to reschedule the event and look forward to welcoming new parents to our school. Invitation letters have been posted home. If you have any questions please contact Ryan Du Toit – Dean of Students.

Proficiency Scales

At the end of week 5 students in all their classes completed a Self-Reflection Report in their Study Organiser that, in consultation with the teacher, sends home vital information about student performance with the use of Proficiency Scale Scores.

In every class at Bremer students:

- Follow the Critical Routines
- Set Learning Goals
- Track proficiency with scales (Bremer’s Proficiency Scales poster attached).

Proficiency Scales are a powerful research supported tool to enable student performance tracking. These are used in every class in the school and align with Bremer’s Pedagogical Framework founded on the renowned educational research of Robert Marzano (www.marzanoresearch.com). Parents, please check and sign these reports and forward any questions to your student’s teacher. For more information regarding Bremer’s Pedagogical Framework please contact Ryan Du Toit – Dean of Students.

Study Organisers

Term One is already half over. In all classes students have been working hard as the first pieces of assessment are either due now or shortly. The Study Organiser is an essential tool in this process. Students in all year levels write homework in for each lesson. Due dates for drafts, assessments and exams are also written in, enabling students to map out and prioritise a schedule to complete this assessment.

Parents are encouraged to check the Study Organiser. If a student loses their Study Organiser, the student is able to check at the office and see if it has been handed in. However, if a replacement is needed, students should buy another Study Organiser from the school as it is a school requirement for students who are expected to use it every lesson.

House Competition

Below are the current House of the Year standings up until the end of week 5:

1ST 3221 Mardango
2ND 2984 Narganoo
3RD 2751 Torarenna
4TH 2699 Kara Kara
Literacy is live and loud at Bremer!

One of the most exciting additions to Bremer State High School in 2015 is the introduction of a strategic Literacy program calculated to further boost the standards and outcomes being generated in the classroom.

The program will see students in years 7 and 8 participate in weekly Literacy classes, designed to specifically focus on key areas of their development including reading, writing, spelling and vocabulary.

These classes will see students being given the opportunity to specifically develop what we here at Bremer believe to be crucial to their education and personal development, Literacy.

The development of this new and exciting curriculum initiative is further evidence of the firm commitment held by all staff at Bremer to provide their students with the necessary skills and tools needed to achieve.

In a further show of Bremer’s commitment to this fundamental skill, a Head of Department Literacy role has been created and will be held by Michael Seiler.

“It is vital that all students at Bremer have the ability to be literate. As a teaching team we have all committed to taking every measure possible to ensure our students are being given the best chance to succeed to the best of their ability.

“Reading and writing skills form the fundamentals of success and we are proud to be doing all we can to ensure our students are being given such an engaging and rewarding activity” said Seiler.

Parents will also be encouraged to be involved with the new Literacy program with further information soon to be released.

Please feel free to contact the Literacy Department should you have questions on the program or how you can help develop the Literacy skills of your own children at home.

literacy@bremershs.eq.edu.au
Please take note of Deans’ Key Information on our Website

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* Please Note: Young people not currently engaged with headspace Inala must attend an appointment prior to joining the group.