

## Years 8 - 12 Welcome and Commencement Information

### Welcome – Mr Richard Usher Executive Principal



On behalf of our school community I welcome new and continuing families to our school for 2023. Cavendish Road SHS is a proud and highly accomplished school with a great culture for learning and by any measure of academic achievement. Our school motto “nothing without effort, nothing but the best” remains our mission. As our students return to school next week including face-to-face learning for Years 11 and 12, I wish them every success in their learning and school experience in 2023.

Richard Usher  
Executive Principal

### The first day of school at Cav Rd – When is it? What to do?

**The first day of Year 11 is Monday 23 January.** Students are to meet at the PAC by 8:40am and are to wear **Formal School Uniform**. The formal uniform is required as Year 11 School Photos are taken on this day. Students should bring their school bags with their school laptops, writing equipment, stationery and food for the day. The canteen will be open. Year 11 students will commence with information regarding their first year of the QCAA senior curriculum and then start timetabled classes from Period 3.

**The first day of school for Years 8, 9, 10 and 12 Students is Tuesday 24 January.** Students are to meet in the Alan Sampson Sports Centre by 8:40am. *Year 8 and 9 to wear sports uniform as usual on Tuesday. Year 10 and 12 to wear formal school uniform.* Following welcome and orientation information for the new school year, students will commence their regular program of lessons. Students should bring their iPad/laptops, writing equipment and stationery. The school canteen will be open.

For all year levels, new students to the school will be met by their Year Level Deans in the Sports Centre.

### School Photos

Traditionally, school photos at Cavendish Road SHS occur very early in the school year. This way we can provide student ID cards to our students quickly.

The photo schedule is

Monday 23 January – Year 7 and 11

Tuesday 24 January – Year 10 and 12

Wednesday 25 January – Year 8 and 9

If your child misses having their Individual or sibling photo for any reason there will be a catch-up day on Friday 3 February.

We will send a separate email with the online instructions to order Cavendish High School 2023 Class Photos.

Each year level of students has a Year Level Dean. The dean works to enhance positive relationships and support for every student as well as overseeing the implementation of the pastoral care program, promoting school pride and belonging and championing the Cavroadian spirit.



Year 8 – Jordan Young E: [jyoung363@eq.edu.au](mailto:jyoung363@eq.edu.au) Ph: 33940777

It is with great excitement that I head into another year with this fantastic cohort who have grown up so much over their first year of high schooling. Despite the many ups and downs they faced throughout 2022, they grew in stature, resilience and character.

We have an exceptional team of Year 8 pastoral care teachers who will guide our students throughout 2023. These teachers are committed to supporting students and developing their personal growth through a programme that centres on integrating mindfulness practices. It also provides them with leadership opportunities along the way to prepare them for positions that will be available in Year 9. It is our goal to encourage students to self-regulate and reflect upon their emotional responses to given situations whilst also considering one's own happiness and that of others. These are practices that will assist our students to further develop connections within our school and local community and provide them with lifelong skills that all young people need to ensure they become productive members of our society.

Please keep me updated throughout the year about any stories of success for your child that could be celebrated and praised at school. I am excited to see where this year takes us as our students embark on the next stage of their educational journey. They are an amazing group of young individuals and I look forward to assisting them to succeed in their personal and academic goals.



Year 9 – Matthew Rutter E: [merut0@eq.edu.au](mailto:merut0@eq.edu.au) Ph: 33940777

The entire Year 9 pastoral care team is excited to be taking on new challenges together with our students throughout 2023. Our pastoral care team consists of enthusiastic educators and our Deputy Principal Amanda Nuell, who are all committed to supporting students and will assist students in working through our topics of growth mindset, mindfulness and leadership without a badge. These are practices that will assist our students to further develop connections within our school and local community and provide them with lifelong skills that all young people need to ensure they become productive members of our society. I am excited to see where this year takes us as our students embark on the next stage of their educational journey. They are an amazing group of young individuals and I look forward to assisting them to succeed in their personal and academic goals.



Year 10 – Paul Batchler E: [pbatc4@eq.edu.au](mailto:pbatc4@eq.edu.au) Ph: 33940777

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the start of the schooling year for 2023. I am excited to be the Year 10 Student Dean and I look forward to providing positive curriculum and pastoral care leadership over the course of the year. Year 10 marks the essential transition from the junior school into the senior school. I want to celebrate that milestone and develop our pastoral care program around a 'Rite of Passage' theme. My goal is to have every student design their own rite of passage that aligns with their own passions and interests. The hope is that this ROP challenge will act as a catalyst to develop their sense of self, their place in our community and assist them in developing the skills needed to transition into more responsible adult type behaviour. Student personal development and wellbeing are a passion of mine and please don't hesitate in contacting me should you have any questions, feedback or concerns. I'd like to wish new and returning students all the very best for the year ahead.



Year 11 – Julie Mitchell E: [jmitc221@eq.edu.au](mailto:jmitc221@eq.edu.au) Ph: 33940777

Welcome back to a new school year. I have the privilege of continuing my work as Dean with the Year 11 cohort and I could not be happier. This cohort is packed full of the most remarkable young people who are enjoyable to be around and I look forward to providing as much assistance as I can to help each of them become the best versions of themselves. Last year our pastoral care program's focus was *'Take Your Marks'*, where we guided students to choose an appropriate course of study for their senior years, ensuring it was one they would not only enjoy and experience success with but one that will lead them in the direction of their intended post-school pathway. This year the program moves to the *'Get Set'* phase, where we put these choices to the test, with Year 11 essentially mimicking Year 12, and finetune where necessary. The Year 11 pastoral care program's primary aim is to assist and encourage student success emotionally, socially and academically. To do this we will focus on developing their resilience, grit and of course further develop their leadership skills for the following year when they move to the *'Go'* phase of the program and lead the school. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.



Year 12 – Sarah Potter E: [spott38@eq.edu.au](mailto:spott38@eq.edu.au) Ph: 33940777

I am delighted to continue to work with our Year 12 cohort as they embark on their final year of schooling here at Cavendish Road State High School. I look forward to assisting and encouraging our senior students to successfully achieve both personal and academic goals. Given that our seniors' world is soon to expand beyond the school gates, the primary focus of this year's pastoral care program is to continue to build resilience in our students that will assist them to thrive in the real world. I have no doubt that working with the Year 12 cohort will be another rewarding experience and I look forward to sharing memorable moments, celebrations and milestones with them in 2023.

### The Finance Office

Welcome back to the new school year.

The Finance Office is always available for contact if you have any questions or if we can assist in any way.

**For new students**, please ensure that the **Student Resource Scheme (SRS)** agreement is returned by the end of the first week. This will ensure that the distribution of resources to your child is efficiently managed. Where the SRS agreement has been returned, resources will be issued to your child.

The 2023 SRS invoices will be issued in Term 1 2023. When making SRS payments you may choose to

- Make the full payment at the beginning of the school year by 1 March 2023.
- Pay in instalments across three payments at the beginning of Terms 1, 2 & 3 paying approximately one-third of the amount each time. The first payment is due by 1 March 2023 with the final payment due by 21st July 2023.
- Please make contact us to setup an Electronic Direct Debit Request or to implement a Payment Plan.

Any invoice sent to you has a BPoint link on the bottom left of the page for credit card payments. Feel free to contact us at any time on 3394 0777.

Samantha Jeffs  
Business Manager

### The Information Technology Team in D10 – Marty Davey IT Manager

Welcome to Cavendish Road SHS. I am Marty Davey and I lead the IT team at Cav. Room D10 is the place students go to when the need support with their school devices.

We will aim to provide new Year 9 students with their school laptops by Friday 3 February where parents have joined the Student Resource Scheme.

Year 7 & 10 and other new students need to connect their BYOD iPad or laptop to the school network. Information has been previously emailed to you and can be found at [BYOD Webpage](#).

Please contact us if you have any questions. We are available at [itsupport@cavendishroadshs.eq.edu.au](mailto:itsupport@cavendishroadshs.eq.edu.au)

Marty Davey  
Information Technology Manager

### **School Sport at Cav – Nikki Bairstow, Sport Director**

Welcome to Cavendish Road SHS!

I oversee all things Sport here at Cavendish Road State High School. This consists of Interschool Sport, Recreational Sport, Representative School Sport Pathways, School-Carnivals (Swimming, Cross Country & Track & Field) and external competitions. I support students trialling for representative school sports across District, Regional and State level school sport. These include: South District Sport (13-18 years), Mt Gravatt District Primary Sport (12 years), Metropolitan East Regional Sport and Queensland School Sport. I also support the coordination of the Sports Academies (Touch Football, Football and Netball).

#### **Key Sport details are:**

##### **Recreational Sport Coordinators**

Sally Miller - Year 7, 8 & 9 [sebut1@eq.edu.au](mailto:sebut1@eq.edu.au)

Rena Rusit - Years 10, 11 & 12 [rusi2@eq.edu.au](mailto:rusi2@eq.edu.au)

##### **Sport Academy Directors**

Cathy Farrelly - Touch Football [cfarr5@eq.edu.au](mailto:cfarr5@eq.edu.au)

Cail Turp - Football [cxtur7@eq.edu.au](mailto:cxtur7@eq.edu.au)

Jacqui Russell - Netball [jirus0@eq.edu.au](mailto:jirus0@eq.edu.au)

#### **Sport Timelines:**

- **Trimester 1** – Summer Sports (February-May) & Recreational Sport
- **Trimester 2** – Winter Sports (May-August) & Recreational Sport
- **Trimester 3** – Only Recreational Sport (August-December)

Interschool Sport trials for Trimester 1 (Summer) 2023 will be Tuesday 14 February (Period 4) for 7, 8 & 9s and Wednesday 15 February (Period 4) for 10, 11 & 12s. There will be one trial only. Students have a range of sports on offer that they can trial for selection. All interschool sports will incur a levy that includes bus and venue hire. More details are included in the letter home upon selection. Trialling for an Interschool Sport is not compulsory.

Sports available for all students for Trimester 1 (Summer) Interschool Season

- Basketball
- Volleyball
- Futsal
- Touch
- Cricket (Super 8s)

Those students that are unsuccessful or not trialling for interschool sport **must select** a Recreational sport for the trimester. More details will be released from the relevant Recreational Sport Coordinator shortly. All selections are completed using an on-line portal.

We offer a range of recreational sports. These include sporting activities that occur at school as well as off-campus activities that involve a cost. The Recreational Sport Coordinators will email these

details to parents early in the school year. Students make their selection online soon after interschool sport trials have been finalised.

**2023 Sports Carnival Dates**

- Swimming Carnival - Friday 27 January
- Cross Country Carnival - Friday 31 March (end Week 10, Term 1)
- Field Carnival - Thursday 22 June (end Week 10, Term 2) - Nominations Only
- Track Carnival - Friday 23 June – (end Week 10, Term 2) - Whole School Event

***Nikki Bairstow***  
***Sports Director***

Email: [nbair4@eq.edu.au](mailto:nbair4@eq.edu.au)

**International Students – Maria Masselos International Student Program Coordinator**

Orientation for the new international students will be happening during this first week of face to face school. The orientation will help prepare you for your time at Cavendish Road State High School. You will have to bring your passport and visa to this meeting.

For continuing students come on the days indicated above.

Contact Ms Masselos on [mmass2@eq.edu.au](mailto:mmass2@eq.edu.au) if you have any questions.

We look forward to welcoming all of our back students to Cav Rd SHS next week.