



# SET Plan Information Evening

Mr Adam Brown  
Head of Year 10



**Palm Beach Currumbin State High School  
Students & Staff**

**Acknowledge and Pay Respect to the Traditional Custodians  
of this land in which we meet today,  
We acknowledge Elders past and present  
and extend our acknowledgement to any  
Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander peoples here today**

**Palm Beach Currumbin State High School  
will continue to enhance the lives of our First Nations Peoples.**



# Welcome

Mr Peter Hughes

Principal Senior Secondary



# Senior Secondary Team



Peter Hughes  
Principal



Mitch Kennedy  
Deputy Principal



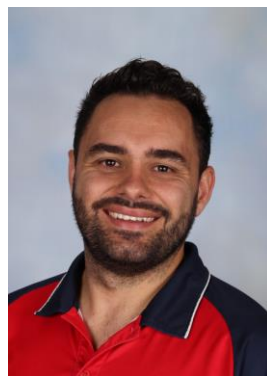
Loren Skyring  
Deputy Principal



Cameron Williams  
Deputy Principal



Brad Dixon  
HOD Student Engagement



Adam Brown  
Head of Year - 10



Steve Jones  
Guidance Officer



Mick McDougall  
Head of Department



# Key Terms

- QCE = Queensland Certificate of Education
- Unit 1 & Unit 2 = Year 11 (Terms 1-3, 2024)
- Unit 3 & Unit 4 = Year 12 (Term 4, 2024 – Term 4, 2025)
- General subject = Academically rigorous – compliment tertiary study
- Applied subject = more practical
- VET = Vocational subject / Certificate course



# QCE Eligibility

Every student at PBC is working towards attaining a QCE

## **To be eligible for a QCE a student must:**

- 20 credits
- Must pass an English and Maths subject
- Completed core- must maintain at least 3 subjects at C from Unit 1 to 4.
- Unit 1 & 2 accumulate one separate credit
  - if the student obtains at least a satisfactory grade
- Unit 3 & 4 accumulate two credits (i.e. as a pair)



Mr Mick McDougall  
Head of Department-  
Senior Secondary



## QCE Example – Student A

Subject	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3 & 4	Credits
General Maths	S	S	C	4
General English	S	S	B	4
Biology	S	S	C	4
Chemistry	S	S	C	4
Physics	S	S	C	4
Aquatic Practices	S	S	A	4

Student accrues 24 points and will achieve their QCE.





# QCE Example – Student B

Subject	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3 & 4	Credits
General Maths	S	S	C	4
General English	S	S	B	4
Biology	U	S	C	3
Chemistry	U	U	C	2
Physics	U	U	C	2
Aquatic Practices	S	S	A	4

Student only accrues 19 points and will not achieve their QCE.



# Types of Subjects

<b>General</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Rigorous academic subject</li><li>- Suited to students who are interested in tertiary studies after school</li><li>- Contribute to an ATAR</li></ul>
<b>Applied</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Less rigorous academic subject</li><li>- Generally embed a practical component</li><li>- Suited to students who are interested in vocational training or work after school</li></ul>
<b>Vocational Education and Training (VET)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Less rigorous academic subject</li><li>- Generally embed a practical component</li><li>- Higher level certificates (i.e. Cert IV and Diploma) are more challenging</li><li>- May use VETis funding or a Fee for Service</li><li>- CIII or higher may lead to tertiary pathways</li></ul>



# Pathways at PBC

## ATAR (Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank)

- A combined score of results from rigorous, academic subjects (i.e. General Subjects).
- Universities recognise an ATAR as an entry score.

## Personalised

- A combination of General, Applied and VET (Vocational Education) subjects.
- Most universities recognise VET qualifications as an entry score (i.e. Certificate III or higher).



# ATAR Pathway

- ATAR: number between 0.00 and 99.95 with increments of 0.05
- Students must satisfactorily complete an English subject (Sound Achievement) to be ATAR-eligible
- English will only count if it is one of a student's best five subject results
- **ALL ATAR students at PBC are required to study 5 General subjects**



# Assessment in General Subjects

- Combination of school-based assessment and common external assessment
- Unit 1 and 2 Formative; Unit 3 and 4 Summative
- Unit 3 and 4; four assessments (3 school-based + 1 external)
- School-based assessment will contribute 75%; 50% in maths and science
- Students will receive a numerical and A–E final subject result



# Personalised Pathway

- Students must select **no more than 3 ATAR subjects**
- General subjects are strongly discouraged if a student has been placed in Essential English.
- Students should select at least 1 Certificate III course (or higher) via a VET subject or school-based traineeship. These are direct pathways into university
- Students studying a Certificate IV or Diploma should be studying General English
- Recent changes to the Diploma of Business include increase in price and 18 months to complete the course



# What is VETiS funding?

- VETiS = vocational education and training in schools
- Funded by the QLD Government
- Every student over 15 has access to 1 free VETiS funded course whilst at school
- Students can only undertake 1 VETiS course and only 1 SAT (School based apprenticeship or traineeship)
- They can complete a VETiS course, a SAT, and multiple Fee For Service courses (e.g. DOB and VCJ)



# School Based Apprenticeships & Traineeships (SATs)

	TRAINEESHIP	APPRENTICESHIP
<b>Duration</b>	1-2 years to complete	3-4 years to complete
<b>Qualification</b>	Certificate II – III (usually level III)	Certificate III, IV
<b>Status</b>	School-based, Part-time, Full-time	School-based, Part-time, Full-time
<b>Type</b>	NON-TRADE areas: business, retail, administration, hospitality, salon assistant, fitness etc.	Traditional TRADE areas: e.g automotive, metal fabrication, cookery, hairdressing, electrical, carpentry etc.

Contact Ms Shreeve at [sshre6@eq.edu.au](mailto:sshre6@eq.edu.au) for more information





# Important Subject Points

- There are presentations/speeches – every subject
- English – 2 novels and a play
- Every General subject is academically challenging
- Hospitality subjects – service periods which require extra hours
- Rec and Aquatic Practices – swimming ability
- VET subjects – still have homework/competencies
- Health- improving community health



# Mr Cameron Williams

## Deputy Principal – Year 10



# Finalising Your Pathway



# Your SETPlan form

- Has a pre-determined pathway based on Year 10 Semester 1 results
- Has a pathway 'mentor' – this will be your interviewer next week
- Follow the instructions on this form
- Overview of all subject offerings on the back



# Next steps

1. Book your 1-1 interview for next week through PBC website (*bookings open 9am tomorrow*)
2. Research individual subjects the Subject Selection Guide off the PBC Website  
<https://pbc-shs.eq.edu.au/curriculum/senior-secondary/year11>
3. Fill in your SET Plan form and have it completed for your interview
4. Complete 'online subject selections' (refer to OneSchool Subject Selections instructions attached to on the School Website)  
<https://pbc-shs.eq.edu.au/curriculum/senior-secondary/year11>
5. Each student must select 8 subjects: this includes Maths, English and 6 elective preferences in priority order. Students will get any four of their six elective preferences.



# Next steps cont...

- Before choosing subjects students must carefully consider the requirements, pre-requisites of each subject and what will best suit them
- Students should choose subjects that:
  1. They enjoy
  2. Think they will excel in
  3. That satisfy prerequisites for tertiary courses/pathways that they will be seeking entry to



# HOD Contact Details

Faculty	Subjects	HOD Contact
English	Essential English General English Literature	May Christiansen <a href="mailto:mchri32@eq.edu.au">mchri32@eq.edu.au</a>
Mathematics	Essential Mathematics General Mathematics Mathematical Methods Specialist Mathematics	Trent Hage <a href="mailto:thage9@eq.edu.au">thage9@eq.edu.au</a>
Arts Creative Arts Excellence Hospitality	Dance Dance Excellence Drama Excellence Drama In Practice Film, Television & New Media Hospitality Practices Media Arts in Practice Music Music Excellence Visual Art Visual Arts in Practice Certificate II in Kitchen Operations/Certificate III Hospitality	Tanya Mason <a href="mailto:tmaso37@eq.edu.au">tmaso37@eq.edu.au</a>



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Health and Physical Education	Food & Nutrition Health Physical Education Psychology Sport and Recreation Certificate III Fitness Certificate III Health Services	Shane Roberts <a href="mailto:srobe63@eq.edu.au">srobe63@eq.edu.au</a>
Humanities	Ancient History Business Business Studies Economics Geography Legal Studies Modern History Social & Community Studies Spanish Tourism Certificate IV Crime and Justice Diploma of Business	Andrew Griffin <a href="mailto:agrif99@eq.edu.au">agrif99@eq.edu.au</a>
Information Technology	Digital Solutions Certificate II Engineering & Certificate III Aviation	Timm Hayer <a href="mailto:txhay4@eq.edu.au">txhay4@eq.edu.au</a>





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Science	Aquatic Practices Biology Chemistry Marine Science Physics	Lee-Anne Bramley <a href="mailto:lbram2@eq.edu.au">lbram2@eq.edu.au</a>
Sport Excellence	As per successful trial	Neil Mackay <a href="mailto:nmack9@eq.edu.au">nmack9@eq.edu.au</a>
Technology	Design Engineering Industrial Graphics Skills Industrial Technology Skills Certificate I Construction Certificate II Metals & Engineering	Don Saunders <a href="mailto:dsaun12@eq.edu.au">dsaun12@eq.edu.au</a>



# Who is outside?

- U03- English & Mathematics
- U04- Science
- V05- HPE
- V06- Humanities
- V07-The Arts
- V08 –Technology & Information Technology



# Providers – Library

- Aurora Training
- Bond University
- BUSY at Work
- First Choice College
- Gold Coast TAFE
- Gold Coast Trades College
- Griffith University
- Huxley School of Makeup
- Ignite Education
- MAS Experience
- MEGT
- Prestige Training
- QUT
- Southern Cross University
- Study and Play USA
- Study Gold Coast
- University of QLD



# Key Resources

- Your SET Plan form
- 2024 Subject Guide – all subject + assessment
- MY QCE Website
  - Pathways
  - QCE/ATAR
  - Subject outlines
  - Assessment modes/ sample assessment and mock external exams
  - <https://myqce.qcaa.qld.edu.au/index.html>



# Thankyou

- Please take the time to ask questions of all subjects, providers and senior staff
- See you next week for your SET Plan Interview – don't forget to book via the PBC website tomorrow – link will be emailed