



# YEPPOON STATE HIGH SCHOOL

## Principal Update – March 2025



Dear Parents/Caregivers

### Staffing

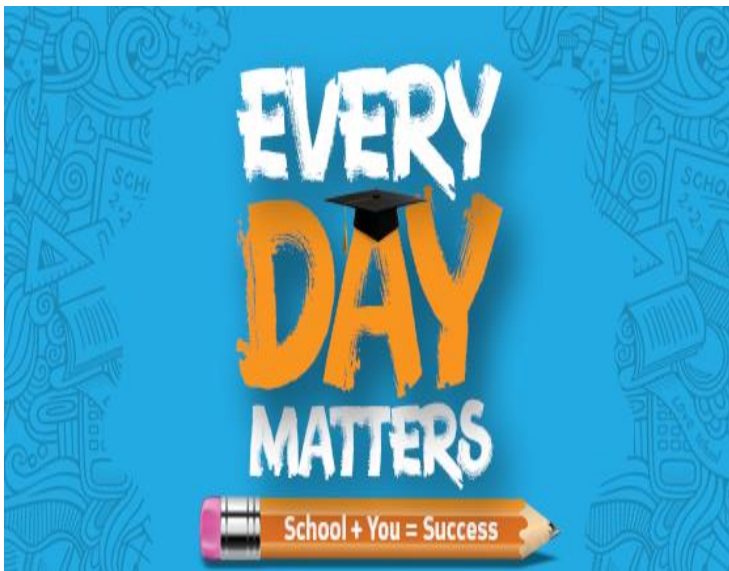
We are pleased to announce that Pat Coe has been appointed as the permanent Principal at Emu Park State School. Pat has made a significant impact during his time at Yeppoon State High School, particularly in the middle school. His leadership has contributed to notable improvements in English outcomes. His dedication to fostering academic growth and supporting students has been truly commendable. We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Pat for his hard work, leadership, and valuable contributions to Yeppoon State High School, and we wish him all the best in his new role at Emu Park State School.

### Swimming Carnival – Friday 21 March 2025

With the Yeppoon Swimming Pool closed for redevelopment, our 2025 Swimming Carnival will be held at the Emu Park Swimming Pool. Students participating have had the opportunity to nominate for events over the last few weeks. Only students participating in swimming events are eligible to attend. **It is a normal school day for all other students.**

### Attendance

Remember, attendance is key to academic success. With three weeks of learning and assessing remaining this term, it is crucial that every student attends every day to provide them with the best possible opportunity to be successful.



## KEY MESSAGES

### From the Positive Behaviour Team

All students have the right to feel safe and supported at school. As a high school we cannot accept physical violence. This message was delivered to all students at our most recent school assembly. We have a large support team to assist students starting with our sub-school Heads of Department.

### Uniform

Over the next few weeks, the weather will begin to cool down. We have two styles of school jackets available for students to wear. No other jumper or jacket is acceptable. Our high uniform standards make it is easy to identify any intruders on site. Thank you for your assistance.



### 2025 Next Step Year 12 Completers Survey

All Year 12 completers from last year will soon receive an invitation to participate in the Next Step survey. This is their chance to help our school to understand the different pathways of the 2024 Year 12 students and to improve our senior programs and supports for future students. The survey only takes five minutes and asks graduates about their study and work activities since finishing school. As a thank you for participating, Year 12 completers who complete the survey will be entered into a draw to win a MacBook Air. We ask parents, siblings and friends to encourage our graduates to complete the survey. If their contact details have been changed, please assist survey interviewers by providing their updated details or forward the survey to their new address so they can participate. Graduates may receive an invitation by mail, email or phone. The survey can be completed online or by phone. For more information, visit [Next Step](#).



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## Student Support Team

If any challenges arise, remember that our Student Support Team is just a conversation away. Early communication helps us provide the most effective support timely.

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| <p>Heads of Sub-Schools<br/>Year 7/8 – Sparkle Wade<br/>Year 9/10 Phebe Chelepy<br/>Year 11/12 Rhi Titmarsh</p> | <p>Guidance Officers<br/>Year 7-9 Peta Thomas<br/>Year 10 - 12 Lisa Ramsey</p> | <p>Wellbeing Guidance Officer<br/>Roxanne Franke</p> |
| <p>Community Education<br/>Counsellor<br/>Josh Oates</p>  | <p>Youth Support Coordinator<br/>Kerrie McDonald</p>                           | <p>Youth Support Worker<br/>Jillian Jefferies</p>    |
| <p>School Chaplain<br/>Amelia Sell</p>  | <p>School Nurse<br/>Mischa Lawford</p>   | <p>Industry and Vet<br/>Laura Tingle</p>             |

Staff email addresses can be found on the school website or phone administration on 4925 1333.

<https://yeppoonshs.eq.edu.au/supportandresources/formsanddocuments/documents/staff-list.pdf>

Here's to a 2025 filled with learning, growth, and success!

James O'Neill  
Principal

| Approved shoes – must be black sole, black upper and black laces with no other colour |   |  |   |
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| Plain all black lace up jogger  | Plain all black velcro jogger   | Plain all black canvas shoe  | Plain all black leather jogger  |
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| Unapproved shoes  |   |  |   |
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| Coloured stitching  | Ballet flat with Strap  | High Tops/Boots  | Any colour or colour marking other than black, on sole or upper shoe                  |
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## TERM 1 – MARCH/APRIL EVENTS CALENDAR

### 19 March

- Yr 11 Literature Exam

### 20 March

- Year 10 immunisations
- Year 11 Business Exam and Year 12 Literature Exam
- Cert III Aviation (Remote Pilot) Excursion to Rockhampton Airport
- P&C AGM and General Meeting – BOD Hall 6.30pm

### 21 March

- Interhouse Swimming Carnival - ONLY for students who have nominated - normal school day for all other students
- Year 11 Ancient History Exam

### 25 March

- Year 11 and Year 12 VAP Excursion to Rockhampton Art Gallery

### 26 March

- Year 12 General Maths and Maths Methods Exam

### 28 March

- Year 11 Biology Exam
- Year 10 Art Excursion to Rockhampton Art Gallery

### 31 March

- Year 11 and Year 12 Agriculture Excursion to Rockhampton

### 1-4 April

- Year 7 Camp to Hedlow Retreat – Henderson Park

### 1 April

- Year 12 Specialist Maths Exam

### 2 April

- Senior Drama Students Excursion to Rockhampton

### 3 April

- Year 11 Maths Methods Exam

### 4 April

- Cross Country Colour Run – school grounds – 12-3pm
- END OF TERM 1

