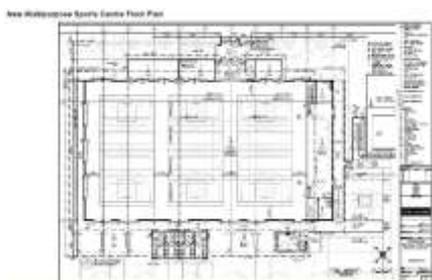


Construction starts soon on the **Centennial Hall**. Plans are drawn and Project manager has been appointed. Our supersized three courts and stage will be a game changer for the school and community.

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Connect program is the re-launch of the RAW/Bridges trial in pastoral care with new roles for the teacher, year coordinator and initiatives to create connection with school and a stronger sense of belonging

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*Starting at school
Connect program and teacher
Support and services
Achievement and goal setting
Opportunities and extension
Students networking
Futures and options*



New **Wednesday lesson times** to maximise learning and provide teachers with team planning time start.

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BSP (Before School Program)	7am – 8.10am
Wednesday Staff Planning	8.15am – 9.15am
Connect	9.20am – 9.30am
Period 1	9.30am – 10.05am
Period 2	10.10am – 11.20am
Morning Tea	11.20am – 12pm

Lessons at 9:20am with their connect teacher if they are in Years 7-10. Year 11 and 12 students do not attend Wednesday Lessons 1 or 4 (unless they have a scheduled individual session timetabled).

We introduce **the e-Student planner** by Learning Curve which also forms the basis of our pastoral care program. Teachers can enter homework, parents can access and students can keep organised. This will make

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a big difference to study and communication in the school and represents our ongoing commitment to reducing paper use and consumption. A student passport has been developed and this will cover the time needed for students to set up their laptops and use the diary.

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CAIRNS Writing for success

P	Plan Thinking stage Understand the question Identify the key words Decide what you need to do Write down your plan
O	Organise Call ready to write Organise text, Use our Paragraph model
W	Write Get started Write your paragraph Check your paragraph Check your paragraph Check your paragraph
E	Check and improve Check your paragraph Check your paragraph Check your paragraph
R	Revise Revise your paragraph Revise your paragraph Revise your paragraph

Writing strengthens neural pathways, refines thinking and improves literacy. That's why improving this skill is our major focus again in 2019. The focus on high impact teaching creates planned, deliberate practice, planned writing and on-demand writing. Teachers use POWER to assist students in their writing development and TEEL to practice paragraphing.

- Practice
- Successful
- Practice
- Use



and feedback makes perfect practice encodes success the most important things most repetition to unlock creativity



Students can be expected to write by hand and using their BYOX devices, work with teachers to get feedback and re-draft and check work before handing in final versions.



Wellbeing remains the other of the two major strategic development focus areas for the school. The **Ambassador program** will start operating this year with students volunteering to buddy with new students who enrol after the start of the school year.

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Year 11 students have been trained to take **Peer Support** into the second year bringing Year 7s and older students together in a mentoring relationship.

The use of **Restorative practices** to resolve a range of issues of conflict, bullying, and disagreement helps to restore respectful relationships.

New people in new positions Mr Harland will work with Ms Mazzolini as Junior Secondary Deputy Principal. There are several other new HODs and coordinators in place for 2019 also:

- Ms Iodice will be HOD Performing Arts during Ms Daggett's maternity leave
- Ms Suzie Taylor will be HOD Senior Schooling for part of the time Mr Harland is working as Deputy Principal in Junior Secondary. She will take on Year 10 Connect, the VPG work experience, Year 10 SETP, interviews, career days and Certificate II Work readiness qualification.
- Mr Geoff Mayes is reducing his time at school to three days a week and the other two days will be ably filled by Ms Amy Whelan.
- We will add to the Support Team with a day per week Youth Worker
- Mr Cancellier will be taking on the role as Student Coach and will work with Year 7, 8 and 9 students to help resolve problems like lost bags, friendship issues and keeping in touch about wellbeing.



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New places, new programs: A \$2M refurbishment of L and G Blocks gives us very beautiful new learning spaces for Science and Mathematics, so this is a great way to start the year. On the 'Top Floor' of R Block, Year 11 and 12 students can access a kitchen, study and discussion spaces which will provide another valuable space for them to study towards their exams.

The school is also developing the area between Crosswell Hall and G Block (which has an entry off Grafton Street) as another covered and cool hang out space for all students. Developing the vibe with local artists, students will play a major role in transforming this area into a fantastic asset in the school. We are also hoping that the 'Recess' coffee shop will open providing hot drink service to students before school and at first break – what a great addition to the P&C's canteen!

Some Year 9 students start an immersion program in Italian learning Humanities in Italian as well, effectively doubling their exposure to the language and accelerating their development. Fantastic! Students who are already enrolled in the school can accelerate their skill development in Literature thanks to the English department conducting the Literature extension program on Monday afternoons. Students in Year 10 who are interested in senior sciences and mathematics at higher levels can also take part in Maths Science Extension which runs in Lesson 4 on Wednesdays and after school on Mondays also.



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Beginners of Chinese can get additional support in an extension curriculum that supports them learning this important language by signing up for the Chinese Academy running after school on Thursdays. It is also open to Year 5&6 students from around Cairns who want to learn Chinese (but it is not a way of gaining enrolment at Cairns State High). **And of course we still have all the Centre of Excellence Programs operating.**

We have a new **Junior and Senior day uniform** for 2019. There is a two year changeover until this is only day uniform style allowed. There are no changes to formal uniform until 2020. Uniform policy reflects this change.

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All students will commence school on **Tuesday 29 January 2019.**

We want 100% attendance on day one with all grades 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 expected at the start of day.

Year 12 will have a welcome breakfast in the Quad to kick off their final year in style starting at 8am.

Local Yidinj group Minjil will perform a smoking, a welcome to country and dance for all students to enjoy.

Monday 28 January is a public holiday.

