

STUDENT LIFE HANDBOOK



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STUDENT LIFE

Student Life at Indooroopilly State High School is a touchstone of what makes our learning community a group of vibrant, creative and innovative forward thinkers. The menu of clubs and events created for the student body and supervised by our caring, innovative staff invites each student into a space where they can be themselves as they discover and refine their talents and passions. At the core of a student's learning journey lies their ability to apply what they learn in a supportive environment.

Our co-curricular programs enable supportive entry points for each student to find a place to play, think, create and investigate in the activity of their choice. Where a club is not currently offered, students are invited to submit proposals for new clubs to lead by example for their peers. The options you will find in this Handbook reflect the dedication of our Administration, Teachers, Support Staff and our student body to deeply enrich the lives of our students.

As you look at the co-curricular opportunities in this Handbook, we invite you, our students, to try something new. Engagement in clubs and events connect our Indooroopilly State High School community to one another while pursuing a new skill, practising a hobby, or raising awareness for a worthy cause. Contribute to Student Voice as a member of the Student Representative Council (SRC). Consider something you haven't tried before and take a healthy risk by learning something new among friends. Remember two things as you open this Handbook: your learning journey at Indooroopilly State High School extends beyond the classroom, and participating in a club, event or competition can teach you things about yourself you didn't know you needed to learn. Every student at Indooroopilly State High School has a place within our community.



GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP

Indooroopilly State High School students engage as Global Citizens through school curriculum and a range of co-curricular and extra-curricular clubs and events.

Global Citizenship embraces Indooroopilly State High School's vision of A Community of Forward Thinkers and helps students to realise their impact and agency in creating a fairer, more just world.

The Indooroopilly State High School value of Our community's diversity celebrates the sociocultural and linguistic backgrounds of our students, and promotes the development of global-mindedness, empathy and an expanded, global perspective. Students engage with local and global issues, identifying the ways in which individual students and community can work together for a common goal.

Students, as you peruse this Handbook, you are invited to engage in clubs and events which enable you to enact your passion for social justice, environmental sustainability, harmony and peace.

By participating in clubs like Greindro and our World Languages Lounge or events like UN Day, you can lend your energy and enthusiasm towards advocating for environmental care, promoting social justice and celebrating diversity.



STUDENT CLUBS OVERVIEW

Below is a snapshot of the student clubs available at Indooroopilly State High School. The full club schedule will be published each term on noticeboards throughout the school.

AERO CLUB

Aeroclub is open for all grades. You can expect guest speakers flight simulation, drone racing, building aeroplanes etc.

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

Amnesty is a human rights club. Guest speakers, activism, movie evenings, outings and fundraising are all part of the club.

ART CLUB

Art Club is a space and time where students investigate, explore and expand their own arts practice.

They can participate in group art projects under the supervision of teachers with provided materials. The club promotes social interaction with peers and staff in a safe communal space through the medium of art.

AUSLAN FOR BEGINNERS

Come along to learn some basic AUSLAN so you can communicate with our Deaf community. Items learnt include the alphabet, numbers, common greetings and school signs.

AUSLAN FILM CLUB

The Auslan Film Club is the perfect place to refine your filmmaking skills, in an Auslan environment. Whether you're working on personal projects or class assignments, you can practice your filming and editing techniques here!

Each year, the Auslan Film Club hosts a viewing and awards ceremony, inviting guests to celebrate their work and vote for their favourite actors and filmmakers from the club.

BADMINTON

Come along to learn a variety of badminton skills through social gameplay. Any ability welcome. BYO gear.

BASKETBALL CLUB

Come along to learn a variety of basketball skills through gameplay and drills. Any ability welcome.



BOOK CLUB

Held every Wednesday in the group study room of the Student Centre. Meet with other book lovers to talk about your favourite books, solve mysteries together and have fun with likeminded people who love to read.

CARD GAME CLUB

Yu-Gi-Oh! Pokemon! Magic the Gathering!
Don't know how to play? That's awesome,
we will teach you. Already know how to play?
That's awesome, come and play with your
friends. We will have a variety of different
decks to play with, and people to play with
and against. If you are feeling tough, why not
team up against a teacher. Come along for
some good-natured battling and make some
new friends while you are at it.

CHRISTIAN PRAYER GROUP

Students can come together to pray and celebrate their faith in a welcoming space. Year 7-12 students welcome.

CLAY CLUB

Enjoy learning a variety of pottery techniques to build items that are decorative or things you can use. Get your hands dirty with clay and watch the creativity flow!

CONTEMPORARY MUSIC

ENSEMBLE

Contemporary Music Ensemble (CME) is asmall group consisting of Music Acceleration students who play contemporary instruments. This group provides students, who may not have a space in Instrumental Music ensembles, a place to learn and practise how to perform.

CREATOR'S CLUB

Join CREATE for the chance to engage in Visual Art sessions usually connected to tasks. You may find yourself making sets for the school musical, screen-printing bags, engaging in a painting class and so much more.

CROCHET / KNITTING CLUB

Come and join us for crochet club! No longer just your grandparents hobby, come and check out the new way to learn this time honoured skill! As many in the class are beginners, we encourage all skill levels to join us for a fun time of creating, collaborating and celebrating all things crochet! You can participate individually or take part in our "yarn bombing" group project, either way we know you'll be hooked!



DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD

The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award is an exciting international youth development program. You'll get recognition for doing many of the things you already do. You design your own program around the things that interest you most. The Awards section are: voluntary service, skills, physical recreation and adventurous journey.

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

ndro's Dungeons and Dragons (D&D) Club is a great place where everyone is welcome. Our lunch time sessions are filled with groups of adventurers, working together to defeat their enemies on their quest for more loot. We can help you to create characters or learn the basics of how to play. We can match you with a group of similar level players and a Dungeon Master (Game master), or you can organise your own group if you have some people in mind. If you prefer to tell the story or want to hone your skills, we also have spots for Dungeon Masters, of any experience level.

eSPORTS

Do you have a passion for video games?
Think you can be in the top three in
MarioKart? Are you a Minecraft expert or just
curious to learn more? Students in Years 712 are welcome to join our eSports club. Try
you hand at a game you love or give a new
one a go.

FASHION & FIBRE

Join others to learn more about fibre, fabric and fashion. Make your own project using machine or hand-sewing techniques or be guided by the teacher. All skill levels welcome!

FIGURE DRAWING

Ever wanted to be able to draw an entire person? Want to improve your drawing skills? Anatomy and Figure Drawing classes enable students to develop their knowledge and drawing skills in relation to the human figure. Students learn not only how to draw individual parts of the human body (head, arms, torso, legs, facial features, hands, feet) but also the body as a whole.



GARDENING CLUB

Gardening Club welcomes students with any level of experience to join us in growing fruit, veggies, herbs, flowers and habitat for beneficial insects.

GREINDRO

Established by students in 2015, Greindro is our school's environment club. It seeks to promote environmentally sustainable practices both within our school and on an individual level. This is achieved through student-led projects, such as developing recycling programs; running plant, thrift and upcycled craft stalls; promoting reduce, reuse, recycle on assemblies, with posters in the notices and the school newsletter. We have also run workshops on zero waste, natural beauty, worm farming, and fighting fast fashion.

GENDER & SEXUALITY SUPPORT GROUP

Gender and Sexuality Support Group (GSSG) is a support group which meets fortnightly to discuss topical issues related to students' well-being.

GYM CLUB

Gym Club aims to provide students with a safe and supportive space to focus on positive health, well-being, and lifestyle habits by utilising the excellent learning environments and resources available at Indooroopilly SHS.

Students are encouraged to use the gym resources to achieve their personal physical activity goals, support squad or team-based training for school, representative, and club sports, focus on well-being, or simply pursue a hobby they enjoy or wish to learn about.

By mirroring real-world gym and fitness industry spaces and expectations, we hope to help students integrate successfully into positive lifestyle habits, public gym memberships, or future fitness industry job opportunities.

HOMEWORK CLUB

Want a quiet space to do your homework or work on an assessment? Come visit S Block to join us. Peer tutoring available (bookings required)



HIGH SCHOOL PREPARATION CLUB

HSP Club is a High School Preparation club open to HSP students only who are transitioning into mainstream schooling.

Students in HSP develop their English proficiency, academic language and gain study skills for successful entry into high school.

INDRO VOICES

The School Choir is open to all students.

Exercise your vocal cords and harmonise with your peers. Come and start your

Thursday mornings with some upbeat fun by singing a tune with us.

NDOOROOPILLY WRITERS' SOCIETY

The Indooroopilly Writers' Society (IWS) provides the opportunity for students to meet and discuss their writing projects with like-minded peers. We discuss skills around planning, drafting, writing and publishing creative writing projects, while engaging with competitions and writing events around Brisbane. All writers, regardless of current skill, or confidence, are welcome.

LION DANCING CLUB

Join us to experience the vibrant art of lion dancing. Learn different dance techniques and teamwork. Then use your creativity and skills to put together a lion dancing show. All skill levels are welcome!

MATHS AND INFORMATICS CLUB

The Maths and Informatics Club is for students interested in mathematical problem-solving, computational thinking, and /or competing in various math competitions organised by the Australian Maths Trus and Australian Universities.

MUSLIM PRAYER GROUP

A place to pray & connect with fellow Muslim students, recite Qur'an during Ramadhan & celebrate Eid together.

RUNNING CLUB

Running Club takes place from approximately March until the end of the year. Students at all fitness levels are encouraged to join. The club does a range of fitness and running activities around the school and surrounding suburbs.



SEWING CLUB

The Indooroopilly State High School Sewing Club is a great place to come and unleash your inner creativity. We encourage you to whip up anything that your heart desires – students have made scrunchies, tote bags and even dog coats. No experience is required – just enthusiasm and a willingness to learn!

SOCIAL FUTSAL GROUP

Futsal Social Club is a fun way to be active and socialise while playing an exciting sport: futsal!

SPANISH LANGUAGE TUTORIAL

Are you studying Spanish and wonder why the question mark is upside down ¿ Want some extra help in Spanish? Come see us for a tutorial so that you can put your lessons and Duolingo skills to the test! Open to Years 7-12.

STEM CLUB

Indro's STEM Club welcomes students of all year levels who are interested in science, technology, engineering and maths. Join us every Thursday in R06 to explore exciting projects and opportunities!

STUDENT NEWS

Written by students, for students.

In this Club, students will be responsible for the research, writing and publication of Student News at Indooroopilly State High School. In Term 1, students will develop a discerning understanding of reading and writing news media, which will then be used to investigate and report on student life across the school in Term 2-Term 4. Students will also be responsible for the development and publishing of the school Yearbook, drawing on their skills as reporters developed across the year.

Students in Years 9-11 are able to apply for this program, though all students will have opportunities to engage with the Student Newsletter throughout the year. Participants will be expected to investigate and report on events that take place outside of the scheduled program time/school day dependent on the school events calendar. Students wishing to participate will submit an example of their work which demonstrates their writing style and passion for writing and storytelling.



STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

The SRC is open to all students who have an interest in leadership and representing the Indooroopilly SHS Student Voice. The SRC is dedicated to encouraging students to take on leadership roles and develop the essential skills for becoming a good leader. We practise our leadership skills in creating and running fundraisers within the school and raising awareness of contemporary social issues. Students develop themselves as open communicators, forward thinkers and form new friendships in the process.

VOLLEYBALL CLUB

Come along to learn a variety of Volleyball skills through gameplay and drills. Any ability welcome. Attendance to Volleyball club is necessary for Schools Cup teams. Come join us for volleyball fun!

WOODWORKING CLUB

Students will learn to use hand tools and basic power tools safely. This club is for students who are unable to select VMP in their busy timetables and want a creative outlet.

WORLD LANGUAGES LOUNGE

This club celebrates the linguistic and cultural diversity we have at Indo State
High School. Students who speak a
language other than English can share their knowledge and linguistic skills with their peers by teaching some basic conversational phrases in their language.
Everyone is welcome, so come along to learn how to greet someone in a new language like Korean, Arabic, Farsi, French, Japanese, German, Greek... and many more!

Students can come for all of the sessions or just pop in for one that interests them. A great way to make new friends while learning a new language. ¡Hasta pronto!

YOGA CLUB

Students will learn the salute to the sun cycle, some basic yoga poses, finishing in some guided meditation.





EVENTS OVERVIEW

Below is a snapshot of the events celebrated at Indooroopilly State High School. Other events will be published throughout the year via school notices.

ANZAC DAY CEREMONY

Our annual ANZAC Day Ceremony is a key event on the school calendar. Year 11 Modern History students chair the Ceremony as well as take on leadership roles throughout the ceremony.

BOOK WEEK

Every year the Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) announces a theme and short-listed books for Book Week.

Indooroopilly State High School celebrates the event with 'Story Time in the Student Centre', where teachers come in and read aloud to gathered students from the short-listed books. There is also a competition held on the final day. Keep an eye out for posters as they go up closer to the date.

BRISBANE WRITERS FESTIVAL - WORD

PLAY

Keen Indro writers attend lectures and workshops from a fantastic line-up of authors and illustrators ready to inspire, educate, and nurture a passion for books in young people.

CHINESE NEW YEAR

Each year students have the opportunity to experience Chinese food, culture and traditional crafts through festivities organised for alternating Spring Festival (also known to some as Chinese New Year) or Lantern Festival (which celebrates the end of the Spring Festival). A lion dance brings our Languages Centre to life and students appreciate the energy and colour of the dragon weaving around the crowd as they take part in mask and fan painting, traditional paper cutting and other challenges. The dumpling challenge is very popular, where students win by correctly pronouncing the word for dumpling in Chinese, and then they get to eat it.



DAY OF THE DEAD

Day of the Dead is a Mesoamerican tradition originating in Mexico and now celebrated in a range of Latin American countries, which honours loved ones who have passed.

Rather than being a sombre event, Day of the Dead is a celebration of life, and is filled with colour, flowers, photos and food.

Students learn about the tradition and its origins, and take part in diverse activities creating traditional crafts to decorate their homes and classrooms.

DREAMTIME GAMES

Dusty Wilson, owner operator of Dreamtime Games, facilitates this sporting event, introducing students to traditional Aboriginal games. HPE classes participate in the program for their unit on traditional games.

EMU GULLY

As part of the Challenge and Adventure unit in HPE, Year 9 students attended Emu Gully Adventure Camp in Term4. It is a fantastic experience where students participate in challenges in the ANZAC tradition; they consider all fellow students as their mates and look out for each other. Students take part in a range of activities that test, inspire and empower.

FIRST NATIONS EXCURSION TO STRADBROKE ISLAND

Students have the opportunity to participate in a cultural knowledge experience with a Traditional Owner and Elder. Students will learn about culture, hear dreamtime stories, taste traditional bush tukka and learn about Aboriginal environmental management. The aim is to aid the students to uncover their personal identity.

FIRST NATIONS LITERACY FOUNDATION

Bring or swap a book for a gold coin to raise money for those in communities with limited access to print media. Being able to read opens so many doors, but in very remote Indigenous communities, books are too scarce and literacy levels are much lower than anywhere else in Australia. The Indigenous Literacy Foundation's purpose is to make a difference to the lives of Indigenous families by not only gifting thousands of new culturally appropriate books – with a focus on early literacy and first language – but also by running programs to inspire the communities to tell and publish their own stories.



FIRST NATIONS STUDENTS WELCOME LUNCH

This event aims to introduce the Indooroopilly State High School EATSIPs staff to the new families of the Indigenous students and to reconnect with existing students and families. Community representatives are invited as well as Indooroopilly State High School Elders. Students, families and representatives are informed about the year's plan and provided information about programs and opportunities for the students throughout the year.

LUNCH WITH JUNIOR SCIENTISTS

The Science Department hosts visiting scientists from The University of Queensland who deliver talks to interested students surrounding current and emerging areas in Science. This event is a great chance to find out more about what is going on in the exciting world of science research and hear from experts.

MABO DAY

This day highlights the impact Eddie Mabo made when the High Court of Australia overturned terra nullius and granted ownership back to the Indigenous people.

This is a recognition and acknowledgment of the achievements Indigenous people have made and the impact governmental decisions have made on this population.

MUSICAL

The biennial school musical provides opportunities for students to engage in an industry-standard musical theatre production as a lead performer, chorus member, featured dancer, band musician, back stage crew, technical crew or front of house member. Students engage in either an audition (for on-stage and band roles) or application (off-stage roles) process to be a part of a four month rehearsal process and a fiveshow season of performances.

NAIDOC WEEK ASSEMBLY

A celebration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture, knowledge, achievements and understanding. The Assembly is attended by an aboriginal Elder who opens the ceremony. The Assembly features special community guests and representatives, a speaker and a special event such as dancers, singers or smoking ceremony. Indro Mob (Indooroopilly State High School Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students) help run the event.

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THE PETER DOHERTY LECTURE SERIES

The Peter Doherty Lecture Series continues to introduce students and staff to a range of prominent scientists keen to convey the importance, excitement and wonder of science. Indooroopilly State High School hosts one lecture per semester featuring several speakers.

QLD SCHOOLS CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

The Constitutional Convention is a collaborative conference whereby students engage with all aspects of how changes to the Constitution are made and the restrictions that pertain to it through a series of workshops and student speeches. Five students are invited to participate in Canberra at the National Constitutional Convention.

RECONCILIATION WEEK STALL

National Reconciliation Week is a time to learn about Australia's shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia. School activities may include a time to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and the ongoing contributions made to Australian

society and to address the sometimes 'hidden history' of Post-Contact Australia.

SENIOR SECONDARY SUBJECT EXPO

The Senior Secondary Subject Expo gives students in Years 9 and 10 the opportunity to explore Indooroopilly State High School's wide variety of Senior subjects and provides Years 11 and 12 students the chance to explore various post-school opportunities and pathways, featuring stalls showcasing tertiary, apprenticeship, and employment pathways.

SKI TRIP

The Biennial Ski Trip takes part in the first week of the September holidays. Students have the opportunity to Ski or Snowboard with the support of lessons. Trips have previously been to Perisher in the Kosciuszko National Park with a sightseeing day in Canberra. Educational outcomes include building friendships, resilience and leadership, health and fitness, persistence and confidence, and fun. For us Queenslanders just being around snow is a novelty and skiing and snowboarding is exciting.



SORRY DAY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Sorry Day is a day to remember and acknowledge the Stolen Generations. This is an opportunity for teachers and students to understand what happened around the Stolen Generation and the impact this has on Indigenous people. Students and teachers are involved in this event. Indro Mob (Indooroopilly State High School Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students) help run the event.

STUDENT SUMMIT

Indooroopilly State High School values
Student Agency as a foundation for our
innovation and forward thinking. The school
holds Student Summits for half a day each
term to gather students' perspectives and
feedback on an important topic of interest for
the school; this feedback helps inform
Indooroopilly State High School's
pedagogical and strategic direction.
Participation is by invitation, representative
of the student body. Students who are
interested in attending are invited to enquire
at any time.

UN DAY

UN Day celebrates our school's diverse heritage, culture and community. The day begins with an opening ceremony, including a flag and costume parade representing the nations of our school community. Throughout the day, students enjoy authentic food and engaging performances.

WEAR IT PURPLE DAY

Indooroopilly State High School participates in Wear It Purple Day in celebration of our diversity by illustrating our support for members of our GSSG community.

The day may involve guest speakers alongside students and staff wearing their best purple.



YARNING CIRCLE AND BUSH TUKKA

The yarning circle and bush tukka garden is proposed to be built in 2021. A yarning circle is a safe and open space to communicate, a place to teach culture, a place where Elders can teach students and a safe Indigenous space. This is where Indro Mob (Indooroopilly State High School Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students) can come for a "yarn" or to reconnect to their culture. The bush tukka garden not only teaches about environmental management but also educates our Indro Mob about traditional plants and how they were used. This is an Indigenous space; however, non-Indigenous students are able to use this space with teacher negotiation.

YEAR 7 CAMP

The Year 7 camp is attended by all Year 7 students and their Connect teachers. It is designed to strengthen the relationships between Connect classmates and their teachers, a vital part of ensuring success in the first year of High School. Under the guidance of trained instructors, the Year 7s participate in a variety of fun filled activities including orienteering, crate climb, canoeing, stand up paddle boarding and indoor rock climbing.



COMPETITIONS OVERVIEW

Below is a snapshot of the competitions available at Indooroopilly State High School. Other competitions will be published throughout the year via school notices.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The Athletics Carnival is a great opportunity for students to show house spirit, goodspirited rivalry, as well as their skills in particular events. Students who finish in the top few places have the opportunity to represent the school in District, Regional and State sporting teams.

AUSTRALIAN COMPUTATIONAL AND LINGUISTICS OLYMPIAD (OzCLO)

Talented students from Years 7-12 with a keen interest in English, Languages, or Computing, or who enjoy solving puzzles and problems, are invited to participate in this exciting team-based national competition which challenges students to solve problems in fascinating real languages.

AUSTRALIAN MATHS COMPETITION

The Australian Maths Competition is a multiple-choice problem-solving Maths competition hosted at Indooroopilly State High School. All students are welcome to join and compete for the prizes.

BERT MCALPINE TENNIS EVENT

Students have the opportunity to participate

in the annual Tennis Tournament and have some competitive fun on the court.

BRIDGE TO BRISBANE

Indooroopilly State High School enters a team in the 10km annual Bridge to Brisbane race. Students register and pay independently online via the Bridge to Brisbane website. They meet teachers before and after the race but can run independently. Students should participate in regular training leading up to the event and may consider joining the Running Club.

BRONWYN LUCAS LITERARY AWARD

Students can flex their creative writing skills, and enter a short story into Indooroopilly State High School's own Bronwyn Lucas Literary Award. Students must write a short story in any genre of their choice, set in the western suburbs of Brisbane. The maximum word length is 1,500 words. The winner will receive a prize announced at Awards and have their story published in the Yearbook. Additionally, the Emerging Writer award winner will receive a \$50 book prize.



CBCA READERS' CUP BRISBANE WEST

The Brisbane West Region CBCA (QLD)
Readers' Cup is open to keen readers. The
Years 7 and 8 competition is in May and the
Years 9 and 10 competition is in August.
Regional winning teams progress to the
State Final held during the Brisbane Writers'
Festival.

CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP BRISBANE INTERSCHOOL

Brisbane Secondary Interschool Chess
Championship is organised annually by
Gardiner Chess for the Chess Association of
Queensland. This is an event for teams of
four, played in a three-round tournament,
held in terms 1, 2 and 3 that culminates in
finals for eligible teams in term 4. All players
from novice to A Grade are welcome to
participate. These are all day events held at
secondary school venues.

CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP ALL AGES

The All Ages Chess Championship organised annually by Gardiner Chess is held in Term 4. This age championship is open to experienced chess players of all levels and is an all-day event.

CROSS COUNTRY

Cross Country is a great opportunity for students to show house spirit and good-spirited rivalry. Students who finish in the top few places have the opportunity to represent the school in District, Regional and State sporting teams.

GALA DAY PROGRAM

Students are able to participate in District Interschool Sports Days (Gala Days) throughout the school year and to represent the school in different sporting competitions against the five other schools in the West Brisbane District. The purpose of these days is to provide quality interschool sport experiences for as many students as possible and to develop the valued skills of teamwork, discipline and fair play.

GEOGRAPHY COMPETITION

This competition provides an opportunity for students to be assessed on their broad geography knowledge and skills. The competition consists of multiple-choice questions and requires students to analyse data that is represented on maps, graphs and satellite images. Students receive a certificate, and prizes are given for outstanding results.

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HISTORY COMPETITION

The Australian History Competition is an annual competition that gives students the opportunity to embrace history, challenge themselves and gain recognition; it also helps them realise that history is not just about facts, but about understanding the importance that context, continuity and change play in making critical decisions they'll be called to make in creating our future.

KIDS' LIT QUIZ AUSTRALIA

KLQ is a wide-ranging literature challenge for students in Years 7 and 8. This is an international literature challenge, with local heats held in March and national finals held in March-April in Sydney. The International Final is held in July at different locations each year.

MLTAQ SPANISH SPEECH COMPETITION (MODERN LANGUAGE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION OF QUEENSLAND SPANISH BRANCH)

This annual speech competition, held in terms 3 & 4, is a wonderful way for students with a passion for language to practise their speaking skills. Students work to develop a speech in Spanish and present it to a panel of judges.

Students compete against other schools across Brisbane. This annual speech contest is a worthwhile experience for students interested in a language challenge.

THE OPTI-MINDS CREATIVE SUSTAINABILITY CHALLENGE

Opti-MINDS is a six-week challenge for teams in Language Literature, Science Engineering or Social Sciences. This is an inclusive team challenge which empowers participants to think, create, and communicate. Regional events are held on a weekend in late August with the State and Australian Final in October. Teams present their solution to their chosen challenge in a dramatic format before a panel of judges on regional Opti-MINDS Day.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

The Swimming Carnival is a great opportunity for students to show house spirit and good-spirited rivalry, as well as their skills in particular events. Students who finish in the top few places have the opportunity to represent the school in District, Regional and State sporting teams.



UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND CHINESE WRITING COMPETITION

For students who are learning Chinese, the Chinese Writing Competition promotes quality Chinese writing and the art of calligraphy.

The Confucius Institute at The University of Queensland will select the first, second and third prize, and two Supreme Awards for each section.

UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND / QUEENSLAND ASSOCIATION OF MATHEMATICS TEACHERS PROBLEM SOLVING COMPETITION

The University of Queensland hosts a Maths competition held on Pi Day. The completion is for high achievers with prizes to be won. The problems do not usually require any greater knowledge than that possessed by inquisitive students but will need a certain amount of ingenuity and thought for their solutions.

YEARS 7 AND 8 MATHS QUIZ

The Years 7 and 8 Maths Quiz is a chance for students to challenge themselves in a friendly competition between peers, with prizes to be won.



NEW CLUB PROPOSAL

Step 1

A student expresses interest in leading a new club by submitting one page to the Head of Year 10 and Clubs outlining:

- 1. The title
- 2. The purpose, benefits and expected outcomes (linked to Indooroopilly State High's vision and at least one value)
- 3. The materials/resources requested (including any financial requirements)
- 4. The timing, frequency and duration of meetings
- 5. The staff member who has agreed to supervise the club (club supervisor)

Step 2

Head of Year 10 and Clubs provides details of proposed new clubs a member of the Senior Executive Team (SET). SET approves new clubs for trial based on:

- 1. Alignment with school vision and values
- 2. Feasibility of requirements, including health and safety risks, location and level of adult supervision required

<u>Facilitating Supervision</u> needed for medium to high-risk clubs, handling finances, guidance in operations and leadership development

Supervision only needed for students who self-manage a low-risk club with general teacher supervision.

Step 3

Club supervisor (staff member) and student club leader promote new club through multiple communication channels such as: Daily Notices; Student Centre screen; Year Level Assemblies; the school's social media channels; school newsletters; and posters in designated areas.

Step 4

Club supervisor keeps attendance record as per Head of Year 10 and Clubs instructions.

Step 5

Outcomes of the new club are reviewed by the club supervisor and student club leader. Outcomes are shared with the school community through various channels.

INDRO STUDENT LIFE



A COMMUNITY OF Forward thinkers

Indro offered me a supportive and judgement-free learning zone. The collaborative spirit within the Indro community empowered me to excel in my studies, with my teachers and classmates alike always eager to lend a helping hand. This supportive atmosphere propelled me forward and contributed significantly to my academic success.

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