

The HP Cup



May the best House win!

Holland Park State High School has an existing tradition of House based rivalry and friendly sporting competition. Upon their enrolment students are equitably allocated into Gordon, Marshall, Toohey and Weller houses. Previously the winning house was determined by our three key sporting carnival across the year. Since 2022 the HP Cup has sought to increase student's sense of belonging at HPSHS through an expanded House based program that encompasses all aspects of school life: Academic, Arts, Cultural and Sporting events.

Actioning the school's Explicit Improvement Agenda in the domains of Engagement and Growth, and Wellbeing the HP Cup:

- Fosters student well-being. The House based structure supports and promotes the building of a sense of belonging within the Houses and the school
- Explicitly seeks to increase student engagement through a wide range of lunch time, extra-curricular and school-based events
- Engenders student pride in theirs and their houses' achievement
- Provides opportunities for students to build and demonstrate their leadership

The Merit Point System

Students earn individual merit points through their positive engagement in school life. Teachers will assign merit points to students based upon:

- Their demonstration of the school's values of learning, respect, kindness and perseverance.
- Their demonstration of the 4 Ps in their classes: Punctual, Polite, Presentation & Preparedness for Learning
- Report card Behaviour and Effort results of an A standard or higher
- Participation in targeted events including but not limited to year level challenges, student council activities, lunch time activity programs, charity and wellness events
- Attendance and participation in the three main sporting events of the year: Swimming, Cross Country and Athletics Carnivals

As students earn their merit points and reach the designated levels they become eligible to receive their reward.

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Your active participation in school life earns you points.	Points allocated	Potential points per week	Potential points per year: 40 weeks
Care class: Punctual, Presentation, Prepared & Politeness	1	5	200
Subject Teacher: Punctual, Presentation, Prepared & Politeness, Behaviour & Effort	1	18	720
Strive Lesson: Punctual, Presentation, Prepared & Politeness, Behaviour & Effort	1	1	40
Sport: On time, hat, required equipment	1	1	40
Attendance: >92% per term	10		40
Attendance at Before or After School Training/Rehearsals	1 per training session		
Report Card Results Every A for Behaviour & Effort	5 per A	70 per report	3 reports for the year = 210
Attendance at Sports Carnivals: Swimming, Cross-Country & Athletics	5 per event		15
Attendance at House events: Per event	2		Depends on how many events you participate in.
Participation in extra-curricular events: Creative Generations, Volleyball Schools Cup, Musical etc	5 per day		Per event
Participation in extra-curricular events: All Schools Touch, Readers challenge	5		Per event
Admin discretionary points for remarkable demonstrations of the school's values of Learning, Respect & Cooperation.	10		The sky's the limit! Get involved, be seen, be rewarded.

Remember, it's all about participation and engagement!
The more you get involved in, the more points you will earn!

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The locals honored by our Houses



Gordon

The Gordon family lived in the Weller's Hill area in the late 1800s and were sand and gravel merchants. Mr Gordon donated a sizable land package to the local church.

Colour: Blue
Identify as: The Gordon Gladiators



Marshall

In the 1880's George Marshall originally from Buckinghamshire, England settled in Brisbane and became the Brisbane City Council's first Alderman. His family purchased 60 acres of land on either side of Marshall Road in the Sandy Creek area. The family ran cattle and grew grapes on the property.

Colour: Red
Identify as: The Marshall Mustangs



Toohey

James Toohey was one of the largest land owners in Brisbane during the late 1800's. His property encompassed most of St Lucia, Kangaroo Point, Greenslopes, Holland Park, Tarragindi and Nathan. His legacy is recognized by the Toohey forest park.

Colour: Green
Identify as: The Toohey Titans



Weller

In 1874 Jacob Weller purchased 83 acres of land bordered by Weller, Toohey and Marshall roads. The family cultivated grapes as well as cattle. The original family homestead is now the site of the Weller's Hill reservoir.

Colour: Yellow
Identify as: The Weller Wildcats