



Burnett Youth Learning Centre

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We want to clarify and celebrate what makes Burnett Youth Learning Centre (BYLC) unique. Recently, questions have been raised about our four-day school week and earlier finish times. These practices comply with current education regulations for Special Assistance Schools, and they are central to our design at BYLC. This model provides us with the flexibility to create personalised learning environments tailored to each student's needs, something that is not typically available in traditional school settings.

Here are some key ways BYLC differs from other schools:

- **Individualised Education Plans:** Every student has a customised learning plan tailored to their goals, abilities, and circumstances. No two plans are the same.
- **Flexible Attendance:** Some students attend part-days or a reduced number of days per week to accommodate their needs and ensure engagement.
- **Four-Day School Week:** Our school operates on a four-day week, which is fully compliant with current education regulations for SAS schools. This structure allows us to focus on quality learning and wellbeing rather than quantity of hours.
- **Shorter School Days:** We finish earlier than traditional schools—often around 1:30 pm—because our students thrive in shorter, more focused sessions.
- **Specialised Support:** Our programs are designed for young people who need a different environment to succeed, including wellbeing support, vocational pathways, and hands-on learning opportunities.

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These adjustments are not only legal but also intentional. They reflect our commitment to creating an environment where every student can flourish. Many families have expressed appreciation at seeing a clear, individualised plan before enrolment, and we are proud to offer that level of transparency and care. Thank you for partnering with us as we continue to innovate and provide the best possible outcomes for your children. If you have any questions or would like further clarification, please don't hesitate to contact us—we are always happy to discuss our approach.

Kind regards,

James Marsman
Principal / CEO