HSC Collection

Wadalba Community School Library has many resources to help our HSC students through their studies. In the HSC Collection you will find all the 2013 English texts as well as study guides to all the current subjects. Most are available for a 14 day loan period – please ask Mrs Taylor or Ms Hanlon for assistance if needed.

How to get to the Library catalogue? Use one of the library's Online Public Access Catalogues (OPACs). Or you can access the catalogue from any computer, by logging on to the school Portal and following/using the; Links – Library – WCS Library enquiry screen. The library catalogue is a list of everything that the library has in it's collection from books to CDs, DVDs and magazines. You can search by author, title or subject. To view all the library's HSC resources, simply search by 'subject', typing 'HSC' into the search box then sort into either 'location' or 'Dewey' order if you wish to narrow your search to a particular area.

World Book encyclopedia online is only available to our students because the school pays a subscription. World Book is a general encyclopedia where the information contained in it is reliable.

How to research a topic
Follow these 6 steps and you will be able to research any topic with ease.
1. Define – what is the problem I have to solve?
2. Locate – how do I find the information I need?
3. Select – what resources will be best to use?
4. Organise – how best can I use my information?
5. Present – how can I best present the information?
6. Assess – how well did I complete the assignment?

HSC web links

- NSW HSC Online – Information on HSC issues, topics and syllabus.
- Board of Studies – HSC syllabi, text lists and past papers.
- The State Library Information Services - Online databases, legal resources and more.
- Writer's Reference Center - A one stop location for all the tools to write and research effectively.

English

- Cambridge Checkpoints – Past papers, suggested responses etc.
- SparkNotes – literature study guides.

Modern History Links

These links are good sources of authoritative information on various aspects of the history curriculum.
- Primary source material relating to the history of the United Kingdom 1919 to the present. Including World War 1 and World War 2.
- An overview of World War 1.
- Documents and photographs dealing with World War 2 including propaganda, cartoons, art music and films.
- Documents associated with the Cold War. – tip! click on the links in the Timeline.

GOOD LUCK!