

Baulkham Hills High Newsletter



The wonderful Y12 Graduation cake skilfully made by Veronica

Cover: Y12 Graduation Cake

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From the principal's desk:

Welcome back to the final term of the year. We finished third term with a huge Graduation Ceremony for over 200 Year 12 students. Thank you to all the staff who helped with this day and the P&C members who did the catering for the morning tea. It was a huge undertaking with close to thousand participants and their guests. Year 12 are now studying and will begin their HSC on Thursday. We wish them well.

We start this term with a special event tomorrow. It is the launch of the Gotcha4Life program which is designed to aid male mental health, especially with regard to male suicide. The program will be introduced by Gus Worland, a Triple M radio broadcaster and his guest will be cricketer Steve Smith. I am sure there will be lots of interest from the students.

This week also marks the launch of our first musical for many years. I commend the staff and students who have laboured over this and spent many hours of their holidays rehearsing. I hope students and parents will make the effort to come along and support our students.

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Calendar 2019

This calendar is subject to change so please check carefully each week for any alterations. A whole year calendar is on the school website at www.baulkhamhillshighschool.com.au

Week 1
Monday 14 October
Tuesday 15 October - Gotcha 4 Life Mens Mental Health Foundation P3 & 4 (all years) - Y10 & Y11 Scripture Seminar P7&8 - Y7/8/9 Scripture Seminar P5&6
Wednesday 16 October
Thursday 17 October - HSC Examinations 17/10 to 11/11 incl. - School Musical Evening Performance 7pm (Arblaster)
Friday 18 October - School Musical Evening Performance 7pm (Arblaster)
Saturday 19 October - School Musical Matinee 2pm and Evening Performance 7pm (Arblaster)
Week 2
Monday 21 October - HSC Examinations 17/10 to 11/11 incl.
Tuesday 22 October - P&C General Meeting 7.30pm
Wednesday 23 October
Thursday 24 October - Y8 Mini Skills test 1 in class (8SSA Dumas P1), (8SSL Iaconis P6), (8SSO Mogoko P8) - Peer Support Y-Lead Training Day (Fletcher) - Support Unit Coastal Environment Centre excursion (Chaggar0)
Friday 25 October - Y8 Concert P1&2 – Music Aviva (Sleight)
Sunday 27 October - Orchestra Workshop 1-5pm (Panjan)
Week 3
Monday 28 October - HSC Examinations 17/10 to 11/11 incl.
Tuesday 29 October
Wednesday 30 October - Y8 VALID Science Test online (Chilwell) 30/10 to 05/11
Thursday 31 October - Y8 Mini Skills test 2 in class (8SSA Dumas P1), (8SSL Iaconis P6), (8SSO Mogoko P8)
Friday 1 November
Week 4
Monday 4 November - HSC Examinations 17/10 to 11/11 incl. - Y10 Yearly Examinations 04/11 to 08/11 - Y8 VALID Science Test online (Chilwell) 30/10 to 05/11
Tuesday 5 November
Wednesday 6 November
Thursday 7 November
Friday 8 November - Y11 and Support reports issued - Y7 Vaccinations
Week 5
Monday 11 November - Y7/8/9 Yearly Examinations 11/11 to 15/11
Tuesday 12 November
Wednesday 13 November
Thursday 14 November
Friday 15 November - Cadet AFX Camp 15/11 to 19/11 (Iaconis)
Week 6
Monday 18 November - Cadet AFX Camp 15/11 to 19/11 (Iaconis)
Tuesday 19 November - Y12 Formal (Milne/Zhu)
Wednesday 20 November - Band Christmas Concert – Houliston (Panjan)
Thursday 21 November - Y11 Recognition Assembly
Friday 22 November - Y10 Recognition Assembly
Saturday 23 October - Multicultural Food Fair 5-9pm

Congratulations to:

- Thenuhaa Thanikairajan of Year 11 who was awarded a Minister's Award for Excellence in the study of Tamil at the Community Language School.
- Regan Xu who was awarded a Highly Commended in the Community Languages Schools for the study of Chinese.
- Bradley Howard, Aaron Jeng (Yr 10), Klaus Leung, Vicki Shen, and Andrew Suhaili (Yr 10) who have been nominated for Encore which is a celebration and performance of the very best music performances for the HSC.
- Sara Wardak and Lior Joffe have been selected for the Olympiad Summer School in Biology.
- Caleb Hsiung has been selected for the Olympiad Summer School for Chemistry.
- Daniel Leeken who has been selected for the Olympiad Summer School in Earth and Environmental Science.

Jeanne Bathgate

Baulko News

Baulko Geography Students Excel in the 2019 Australian Geography Competition

Geography students from Baulkham Hills High School tested their geographical skills and knowledge against 72,000 students from 780 schools from all around Australia in the 2019 Australian Geography Competition.

A huge congratulation goes to Elliot Moy for achieving Equal First Place in Australia in the Year 9 category. Elliot was awarded a medal, special certificate and a \$50 book voucher for his outstanding achievement.

Furthermore, a number of the student geographers at our school performed to an extremely high level in the Competition this year with 18 students achieving in the top 1% in their Year level across Australia.

These students were:

Year 11 - Hei Yu Chau

Year 10 - Patrick Bell, Lauren Eagleton, Simon Luo, Anderson Ly, Sid Malhotra, Sara Wardak, Chen Zhao

Year 9 - David Chen, Mike Jiang, James Lee, Elliot Moy, Aaroh Purani, Aditya Ranganath, Anthony Soe, Stirling Townsend, Daniel Wang, Johnny Wu, Wendy Zhang

Across Years 9, 10 and 11, 30.5% achieved high distinctions, 29% distinctions, and 21% credits. Congratulations to all of our students for their excellent efforts in the 2019 Australian Geography Competition.

Mrs Craft

HT Social Sciences



P&C News

Y12 Graduation Morning Tea: Thank you!

The P&C would like to thank all parent volunteers, teachers and SRC members who helped organise the Year 12 Graduation Morning Tea on the last day of Term 3. Catering for 800 people is no mean feat, but our wonderful team pulled it off. Our P&C Execs worked hard to make sure the event ran smoothly and took leave off work on Thursday and Friday; we thank them for their dedication. Many came and helped set up the hall on Thursday afternoon and continued to work tirelessly on Friday to make sure all our Year 12 students, parents, guests and teachers were well taken care of. A big thank you to **Kevin Lewis, Adam Moy, Ria Mizan, Judy J, Michelle Sun, Joanne Z, Julie Zhu, Hong Chen, Cathy Jiang, Jennifer Lee, Wendy Yao, Iris, Anny Chen, Annie, Emily L and Niharika**, as well as **Veronica** for the beautiful Baulko cake. A special mention goes to **Ms Doreen Liu** for her time and effort that helped immensely with the success of this event. Thank you!

(Please see next page for photos of the Y12 Graduation Morning Tea)

Q&A Session with Master Academy (Tuesday, 15 October, 7:30 pm @ Library)

The Q&A session is an opportunity for parents to ask about the debating and public speaking programs at BHHS. The Managing Director (James Smith) and Program Manager (Sarah Jackson) will be here to answer questions. They will talk about the program and listen to parents' input on how to improve the programs in future years.

No registration is required.

(*This is not a P&C General Meeting*)

Multicultural Food Fair (23 November, 5pm - 9pm)

We are moving into the final stage of Multicultural Food Fair planning with stall coordinators all working on their special menu. We are calling for volunteers and performances for the night. If you are able to help on the night or have any performance items, please email bhhsbandc@hotmail.com.

The next General Meeting will be held on **22 October** (Tuesday), 7:30pm at the library.

Sau Wan Liew
P&C President





Our wonderful helpers setting up for the Y12 Graduation Morning Tea





Our school community enjoying the Y12 Graduation Morning Tea



Band News

Stage Band performed at Glenorie Bakery cafe on Sunday with conductor Mrs Lesa Groves. It was glorious sunny Spring day, perfect to sit back and relax to some great jazz music. Special thanks to guest trumpeters, our very own Ms Yvonne Brown and Kyle Eardley for standing in. (see photos below).



Do you want to keep up with the latest information with Band activities? Make sure you follow our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Baulko-Band-and-Orchestra-100848740521209>

1. Rehearsals for **Concert, Orchestra, Beginner, Junior and Senior band** are **cancelled** for the first week due to preparations for the school musicals are going on in the TLC in the mornings.
2. New Band Structure for 2020 is now announced, please see next page for more info.
3. **Orchestra workshop** on Sunday **27th Oct** from 1pm to 5pm at TLC.
4. **String Ensemble** to attend orchestra workshop on the **27th Oct** from 1pm to 5pm at TLC.
5. **Christmas Concert** on Wednesday, 20th November @ 6:30pm.
6. **Multi-cultural Food Fair band performance** on Saturday, 23rd November.
7. **Beginner Band Recital** on Wednesday, **27th November** from 6:30pm to 7:30pm at TLC.
8. **Band Auditions** will be held on Saturday, **30th November** from 10am to 4pm. The conductors will be Steve Clark, Yvonne Brown and Luis Madrid.

SAVE THE DATE:

- **Orchestra Workshop** – Sunday, 27th Oct
- **Beginner Band Recital** – Wednesday 27th November
- **Band Auditions** – 30th November

The Band Committee

Band Structure

Junior Band (Current Beginner band)

This band caters for students who have not previously played a musical instrument or an instrument that is part of a concert band or who wish to try a new instrument. Junior band is conducted by Ms Yvonne Brown. ***Rehearsal is on Thursday morning starting at 7:20 am.***

Intermediate Band (Current Junior band)

The Intermediate Band is for students who have a good working knowledge of their instrument. Students progress to this from the Junior Band or through an audition process if they have previous experience on their instrument. Intermediate Band is conducted by Dr Luis Madrid. ***Rehearsal is on Thursday morning starting at 7:20 am.***

Concert Band (New band)

The Concert Band comprises of students with a good understanding of music performance. Students from Concert band would be able to move up to the top bands in Baulkham Hills High School Band and Orchestra program through an audition process. Concert Band is conducted by Dr Luis Madrid. ***Rehearsal is on Wednesday morning starting at 7:20 am.***

Senior Band

Students progress into the Senior band by audition from the Intermediate or Concert Band. Playing and performance expectations are higher as students will be playing more complicated pieces. Senior Band is conducted by Ms Yvonne Brown. ***Rehearsal is on Friday morning starting at 7:20am.***

Symphonic Wind Ensemble (Current Concert Band)

Students who have achieved a higher degree of skill with their instrument are eligible to audition from the Senior Band. Symphonic Wind Ensemble also performs regularly at various school functions including Presentation Evening. Symphonic Wind Ensemble is conducted by Dr Steve Clark. ***Rehearsal is on Monday morning starting at 7:20 am.***

Baulkham Hills High School Big Band

The Baulkham Hills High School Big Band consists of traditional big band instrumentation including saxophones, trombones, trumpets, piano, bass (electric or acoustic) and drums. The band plays a jazz-based repertoire. This band is designed for students who have a high degree of musical expertise and membership is by invitation or audition. The band has a particular focus on solo performance and improvisation. Stage Band is conducted by Mrs Lesa Groves. ***Rehearsal is on Wednesday morning starting at 7:20 am.***



Orchestra

Orchestra is the ultimate ensemble in the Band and Orchestra Program. It caters to students who play an orchestral instrument as well as provides the opportunity for string players to develop their ensemble and performance skills. Students are expected to commit with a high degree of performance standard. Non string players must also be a member of either the Senior or Concert Band. Orchestra is conducted by Dr Luis Madrid. ***Rehearsal is on Tuesday mornings at 7.20 am.***

String Ensemble

The String Ensemble is an excellent introduction for string playing and orchestral playing with string specialist tutor Ms Jacqui Carías. Students in the String ensemble perform exciting and challenging Repertoire specifically chosen to develop their musical abilities in a fun and rewarding environment. Students improve their intonation, bowing, tuning and ensemble skills. String Ensemble is conducted by Ms Jacqui Carias. ***Rehearsal is on Monday mornings at 7.20 am.***

RECREATIONAL SPORT COSTS - Term 4, 2019 **(10 weeks) for Years 8-10**

Payment MUST be made by Friday, 18th October

**please collect your sports permission note from sport, signed note must be provided to your sport teacher*

Venue	Sport	Cost
Anytime Fitness Old Northern Road Baulkham Hills	<i>Fitness Gym</i>	\$80
The Edge Castle Hill Rock Climbing	<i>Rock Climbing</i>	\$150
Fred Caterson Tennis Castle Hill	<i>Tennis – Recreational</i>	\$125
Hills Stadium Fred Caterson, Caste Hill	<i>Basketball Courts</i> <i>(7 weeks – centre not available 14/2 & 7/3)</i>	\$120
AMF Wondabowl Salisbury Road Castle Hill	<i>Ten Pin Bowling</i>	\$140
Castle Hill Indoor Sports Anella Avenue Castle Hill	<i>Indoor Soccer</i>	\$165
Baulkham Hills Indoor Sports Hills Street Baulkham Hills	<i>Squash</i>	\$80
School – UPSTAIRS TLC	<i>Tae-Kwon-Do</i>	\$80
School – P1	<i>SHAOLIN BOXING</i> <i>NEW SPORT IN 2019</i>	\$60
Castle Hill Cheer Energy	<i>TUMBLING & STUNTING</i>	\$150
Baulkham Hills Area	<i>Walking</i>	No Charge

Your Recreational Sport selection **can only be made online at www.schoolinterviews.com.au**
The code for Term 4 is: **hc58k**

The site will be open for use from Wednesday, 25th September at 7:30pm and close on
Thursday, 26th September at 7:30pm.

After you have made your selection, your confirmation email will be the invoice for payment.

Payments are made online at: <http://baulkhamhillshighschool.com.au/> and must be received by Week
1, Term 4 (Friday 18th October) - No student registration number or invoice number is needed for online
payments, select the item '*sport*' as the payment type



Australian Innovators' Challenge – Generation Entrepreneur

In Weeks 8 & 9 of Term 3, 2 teams of students from Year 10 (Yovela Han, Sara Wardak, Lavanya Raju & Elizabeth David; Sid Malhotra, Aidan Biju, Patrick Bell & Toshiki Norimura) took part with 20 other schools in a new online entrepreneurship challenge with an environmental focus called the Australian Innovators' Challenge, run by Generation Entrepreneur. After learning from online videos and refining their ideas with a feedback session at lunchtime from a Gen E rep, as well as working in their own time towards a final pitch video, both teams made it to the final 5 and gained access to a 4-day hackathon in the first week of the holidays run at the Microsoft Reactor located in the Sydney Startup Hub.

In these 4 days they worked on their ideas to solve environmental problems, gained and implemented feedback from mentors, and pitched to representatives from Westpac and Microsoft as well as Gen E. Both teams were highly professional and presented creative, intelligent and viable solutions to key environmental issues. The girls' team came 2nd in the challenge and gained access to further initiatives to incubate their idea over the next 3 months with the support of Microsoft/Generation E.

Congratulations to both teams for their efforts and time management skills in balancing this challenge with their school work and other activities, and we look forward to seeing more involvement in entrepreneurship in the future from Baulko students. Generation Entrepreneur will be running a Start Up 101 session all day for any interested Year 10 students this term (Friday 22 Nov) – details are on Google Classroom if you would like to take part.

Ms Hardy

Students' perspective:

We were privileged to have the opportunity to go to the finals of the Australian Innovators Challenge, which was held over four days in the school holidays at the Sydney Startup Hub in Wynyard. We were one of five groups which had made it to this stage. During the finals, we formulated a plan for our real-world business idea which would solve a given environmental-related dilemma. We were given workshops on entrepreneurship, from breaking down real-world issues to customer validation to pitching skills.

We created *Clothing Interchange*, an online platform where teenagers can buy and sell clothing in a local environment, to avoid such clothing eventually polluting our oceans. A portion of all profits goes to ocean-related charities. Feel free to follow us on Instagram (@clothing.interchange).

On the final day, we had the exciting opportunity to pitch our business to a number of industry professionals from Westpac and Microsoft. After some final tips from Ms Hardy, we pitched our idea and were declared runners-up! The next week, we were invited to take a tour of the Microsoft Technology Centre in Martin Place, and witnessed a number of new technologies that made Microsoft's workplace so modern. Over the next three months, we will be undergoing an incubation period with the team at Generation Entrepreneur to support our business. This is an amazing opportunity that the three of us are excited to start.

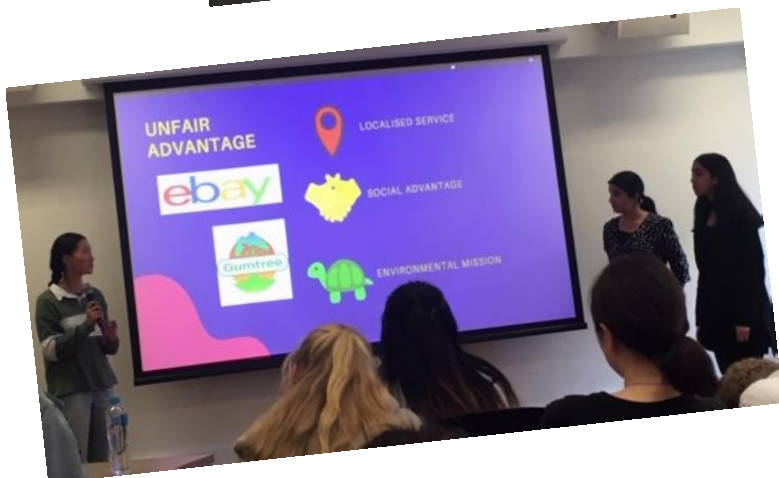
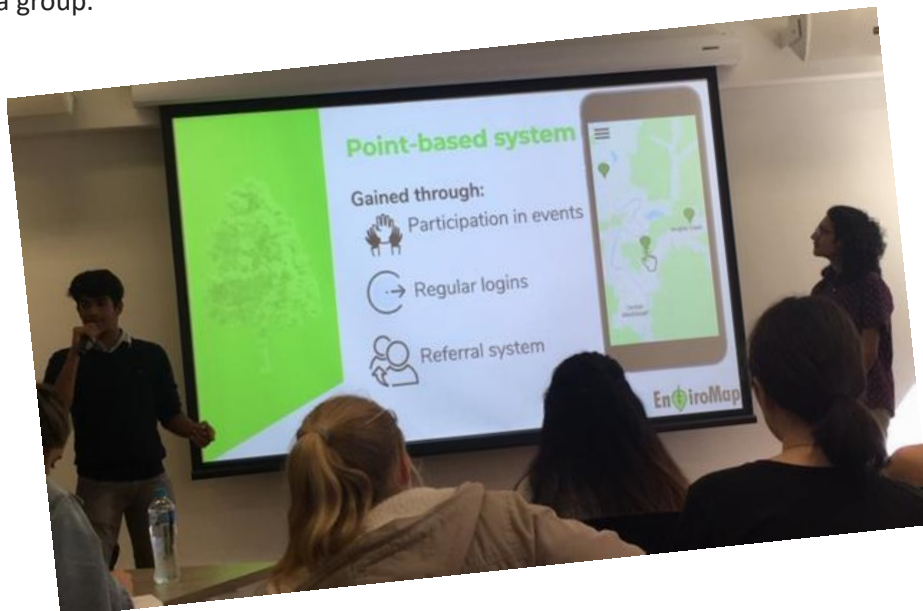
We would like to thank Ms Hardy for providing us with the opportunity to participate in the Australian Innovators Challenge. Without her, we would never have entered. Her support, particularly on Pitch Day, was incredibly valuable.

Sara Wardak, Yovela Han and Elizabeth David (Year 10)



Australian Innovators' Challenge – Generation Entrepreneur (continued)

The boys' group, consisting of Toshiki N, Patrick B, Sid M, and Aidan B, also had a great time. Our solution involved creating an app which would encourage adolescents to combat Australia's biodiversity problem. We launched social media pages and prepared a pitch, which we presented on the final day to a panel of three judges. The team really enjoyed this experience, and we felt like we learnt a lot about entrepreneurship and working as a group.



Careers News

Resources for parents

myfuture parent resource: <https://myfuture.edu.au/footer/assist-others>

Career Industry Council of Australia #Work2030 video for parents: <https://youtu.be/9YMKnZezOLc>

Career Planning Conversations Podcast with Kathryn Taylor (who will be speaking with Year 11 and 12 students this year): <https://www.vicparentscouncil.vic.edu.au/news/2019/3/28/vpc-podcast-series-career-planning-conversations-with-kathryn-taylor>

Events & Resources for students

- A **Career Competency Checklist** has been published on Google Classroom so that students can make sure they are on track for Years 10/11/12
- Students have access to hard copy **Career Portfolios** with the Baulko logo (pick up from Careers Office)
- **Online Careers Portfolios** can be built via the Study Work Grow website (see info below)
- Students and parents can access the **Study Work Grow Careers Subscription** (please ask your child for the user name and password). A personalised school page is available via the above link (requires log in) which includes important event information
- Students also have access to **resources on Google Classroom**
- **Yr 10 and 11 students have 1 year access to a new resource to explore various careers – [The Careers Department](#)**
- Please see the **Careers** page on the school website for an overview of the Careers Program

Updates for parents of Year 10 students

- Work Experience FAQs and form (**[Student Placement Record](#)**) are on Google Classroom (opportunities that have been advertised by universities/organisations will be emailed to students however it is the student's responsibility to organise their own placement)
- UAC's **[Steps to Uni for Year 10 Students](#)** (online and hard copies) and new online tool (**[Subject Compass](#)**) have been shared with students to assist with the subject selection process
- All Year 10 students have access to the **[Online Study Hacks Masterclass](#)** (taught by Dr Jane Genovese who has qualifications in Law & Psychology) from Term 3 onwards (1 year access)

Updates for parents of Year 11 students

- Year 11 has undertaken Motivational Mapping using the Youth Maps profiling report (as well as a 1-hour explanatory session) and can book a follow up appointment with the Careers Advisor to discuss this. They have also had a career planning session as part of combined Careers/Wellbeing Day from a speaker experienced in HR on elements of CVs, work experience & scholarship applications
- All Year 11 students have access to the **[Online Study Hacks Masterclass](#)** (taught by Dr Jane Genovese who has qualifications in Law & Psychology) from Term 3 onwards (1 year access)

Ms Hardy, Careers Adviser

Baulkham Hills High School Presents Grease The Musical

TICKET SALES please click on <https://www.trybooking.com/BEQJW>

Session Date & Time	Description
<u>17 October 2019</u> <u>7:00 PM</u>	Thursday Evening Performance
<u>18 October 2019</u> <u>7:00 PM</u>	Friday Evening Performance
<u>19 October 2019</u> <u>2:00 PM</u>	Saturday Matinee Performance
<u>19 October 2019</u> <u>7:00 PM</u>	Saturday Evening Performance

Venue: Baulkham Hills High School Tiered Learning Space (TLC)

Audience Cost: Adult (17 Years +) \$15.00
 Child (5-17 Years) \$10.00
 Family (2 Adults and 1 Child) \$30.00
 0-4 Years (Must be seated on lap of parents) Free
 Booking Fee (0.50c)

To purchase ticket/s you will need to follow these steps:

1. Visit: <https://www.trybooking.com/BEQJW>
2. Choose either the Matinee or Evening performance (or the session you choose to attend).
(If you are after tickets to both performances you can return to this page after your first selection has been made).
3. Enter your details.
4. If you are wishing to purchase tickets for the other show click on **Other Event's** (in blue at the bottom, left hand side of the page). This takes you back to the Home page where the process repeats, as per the first selected show.
5. After completing your 2nd selection your invoice will be displayed. Proceed to the checkout. Complete booking and payment details.
6. Print out the ticket confirmation. Show upon entry to the TLC.

Read the Terms and Conditions on the website.

Miss Pugliano, HT CAPA



Baulkham Hills High School Presents...



OCTOBER
17TH , 18TH & 19TH
7PM - 10PM
TLC, BAULKHAM HILLS HIGH SCHOOL
MATINEE ON SATURDAY 2-5PM
(TERM 4 WEEK 1)

For bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/BEQJW>