

Baulkham Hills High Newsletter



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Some of the wonderful performers at our Multicultural Food Fair

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From the principal's desk:

Congratulations to everyone involved in the P&C Multicultural Food Fair on Saturday; it was a huge success! It is always a wonderful celebration of our diverse school community. Thank you to everyone who gave up their time for this outstanding event.

A special mention of thanks goes to the P&C for organising the event, Mr Humphreys and all the teachers involved, the Prefects, and to all the student helpers and performers. Without you, it would not have been such a great success.

The Support Unit had a successful and enjoyable excursion to the Hunter Valley Gardens last Friday afternoon. Thank you to Mrs Simpson and all the teachers and SLSO's who made this event happen for 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

Term 4

Week 7
Tuesday 26 November
- P&C General Meeting 7.30pm
- Y7 Welfare Day
Wednesday 27 November
- Y11 Business Studies HSC AT1 P1&2 (Reid)
- Beginner Band recital (Band – Panjan)
Thursday 28 November
- SRC dinner (after school)
Friday 29 November
- Support History excursion Powerhouse Museum P1-7 (Bolton)
Saturday 30 November – Band Auditions TLC
Week 8
Monday 2 December
- Y11 Assessment Week 2/12 to 6/12 incl.
- Y8 James Adams Medieval Show P1-6
Tuesday 3 December
- Y7 2020 Orientation Day (Humphreys)
- Y10 PASS Surf Excursion (Koksai)
Wednesday 4 December
Thursday 5 December
- Y10 Recognition Assembly
- Y7 Ancient Show P1-6
Friday 6 December
- Y10 Reports Issued
- Y10 Food Tech Sydney Tower Dining (Parnell)
- Y9 End of Year Activities 3.30pm – 9pm (Dunne/Iaconis)
Week 9
Monday 9 December
- Y12 Ex 1 English Film Viewing P3-6 (Srnica)
- Y9 PASS Surf Awareness Manly Beach (Groth)
Tuesday 10 December
- Y8 Recognition Assembly P1-2
- Y8 Inquisitive Minds P3-8
Wednesday 11 December
- Y8 Camp 11/12 to 13/12 (Mak/Chapman)
- Y7 French Alliance Francaise Workshop incursion P6-8
Thursday 12 December
- Y9 Recognition Assembly
- CAPA Showcase – doors open 6pm
- Y10/Support Wheelchair Sports Roadshow all day
Friday 13 December
- Y7/8/9 Reports issued
- Cadets dine in night (Iaconis)
- Y10 Short Film Festival P3-6
Week 10
Monday 16 December
- Y10 Camp 16/12 to 18/12 incl
- Y7 Recognition Assembly
- Y11 English Advanced Assessment Task Part A (Reading) P5/6
Tuesday 17 December
- HSC results released
- Y11 English Advanced Assessment Task Part B (Speaking)
Wednesday 18 December
- Last Day of Term for Students
- Y11 English Advanced Assessment Task Part B (Speaking)
Thursday 19 December
- School development day – Pupil Free Day (Staff Only)
Friday 20 December
- School development day – Pupil Free Day (Staff Only)

Term 1 2020

Week 1
Monday 27 January – Australia Day Public Holiday
Tuesday 28 January
- Staff Development Day - Pupil Free Day (Staff Only)
Wednesday 29 January
- Start of Term 1 for Y7, Y11 & Y12
Thursday 30 January
- Start of Term 1 for Y8, Y9 & Y10
Friday 31 January

Congratulations to Diya Goswami on an outstanding performance at School Spectacular over the weekend as a 'Featured poet' in this event, and to Briony Kwon who was involved as a musician in 'Spec Fest'.

This week is Buffer Week for Year 11 as they prepare for the first of their assessments for the HSC. No student is to be absent without a valid reason and a special BHHS medical certificate (completed by their Doctor).

Megan Clarke
Relieving Principal



Baulko News

Multicultural Food Fair photos (more to follow after P&C News)



P & C News

The annual Multicultural Food Fair was held at our school last Saturday, as a celebration of Baulko's diverse multicultural community. This, as the fifth year of running this food fair, was a huge success. A slight drizzle right before the start of the Food Fair did not dampen the spirit of our school community. The Honourable David Elliott MP for Baulkham Hills officially opened the evening at 5 pm. There were food stalls hosted by the Australian, Chinese, Indian, Italian, Korean, South East Asian and Sri Lankan communities, providing a wide range of delicious dishes to over two thousand people.

Our students were able to showcase their many talents with cultural songs, dances and musical performances to entertain the crowds. The school's senior, stage and concert bands performed alongside the school orchestra and Baulko Community Choir, highlighting the talents of our students and parents. Many other community groups also performed on the night.

The P&C would like to thank the following people for their support:

- The school, for their support for the P&C in running this food fair
- **Mr Humphreys**, who is always accommodating and willing to help us despite the many calls on him
- **Mr Iaconis** and **Mrs Greenlees**, who ran the Italian and Australian stalls
- The school office staff, for coordinating the distribution and collection of Food Fair permission notes
- **Mrs Rhonda Boulton** from the print room and our GA **Michael**, for their help
- **Ms Jessica Kite**, for her help in sourcing the performers and the school Prefects for emceeing the night
- **Mr Raymund Wong**, for his help in overseeing the operation of the PA system. Everyone agrees the PA system sounded perfect on the night.
- **Ms Doreen Liu**, for sourcing community performers who wowed our audience with 'face-changing' acts and professional dances
- All the student performers who kept us entertained throughout the night
- The school senior, stage and concert bands, as well as the school orchestra, for their brilliant performances
- **Mr Panjan Nagaratnam**, President of the band committee, and **Ms Bindu George**, for their work in facilitating the band and orchestra performances
- **Mrs Sleight**, for coaching and conducting the Baulko Community Choir
- All the parent volunteers who helped run the food stalls to make this event what it is. The stall coordinators: **Dipali Jani, Eau Cheng Bak, Rachel Kim, Para Moharan, Doreen, Judy Ji, Cindy, Michelle, Lisa, Joy, Kathy, Candy, Amy** and **Naja**.
- **Ms Ria Mizan, Ms Judy Ji** and **Ms Dorothy** for their work in obtaining majority of the raffle prizes
- **Ms Ria Mizan, Ms Gayathiri Subendran**, and **Ms Kristine Lee**, for running the raffle station
- **Mr Kevin Lewis**, for his efforts in sourcing quotations on generators, light towers and the PA system. He was unable to join us on the night, but his selection of service providers was professional and efficient

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- **Mr Adam Moy**, for his work in preparing the stalls owner information pack, organising generators/light towers hire, PA system hire, the booking of the St John Ambulance, putting up banners and numerous other behind-the-scenes work
- **Ms Helen Yu**, for her time in coordinating cash donations. She brought in more than \$7000 before the Food Fair even started.
- School parents **Isaac Xiao, Michael Xiao, Ben, Robin, Xiaoping** and **Mike Chen** for making sure light towers were in place and all electricity was delivered to the stalls safely
- **Adam Moy, Dan Rupasinghe, Mike Chen, Gary, Mauricio, James, David** and their student army **Winston Zhao Chen, Timothy Pudun, Wethmi Rupasinghe, Jasmine Ou, Elliot Moy, William Zheng, Eddy Yue, Mingzhou Lee, Qingyuan He, Eric, Kaleb** and **David Chen**, who all helped set up in the morning and clean up after the Food Fair
- The school cadets, for helping to direct traffic on the night. They have done an excellent job.
- The P&C Exec Team, who all pulled together to make this event happen
- And all the teachers, students, parents and guests who came and helped us celebrate together.

The P&C would also like to thank all parents for their cash donations and the local businesses who sponsored the event and donated prizes for the raffle. A full list of the donors and businesses can be found later in the Newsletter.

Volunteers Appreciation Morning Tea: 4 Dec (Wednesday) @ 11am in the library

The school is extremely lucky to have dedicated volunteers who take the time to help with various events, such as the Working Bee, Uniform Shop, English Study Day and the Graduation Morning Tea, to name a few. None of these could've been run successfully without our parent volunteers.

In order to thank our remarkable volunteers, the P&C, together with the school's senior executives, would like to invite them all to the **Volunteers Appreciation Morning Tea**. It will be held on **4 December, at 11am, in the library**.

In order to assist with planning and catering needs, please RSVP at the link below: www.volunteersignup.org/RHCJY by Friday, 29 November.

We hope to see many of our volunteers on the day! 😊

The next General Meeting will be held on **26 November (Tuesday), 7:30pm** at the library.

Sau Wan Liew
P&C President



Multicultural Food Fair

We sincerely thank the following sponsors who have generously donated gifts and contributed cash to support the Multicultural Food Fair 2019.

Anglicare Flinders Castle Hill	Bunnings Castle Hill
Boys II Men Hair Design	Baulkham Hills Muffin Break
Baulkham Hills Fish Market	Blacktown Dental Surgery
Chatime Norwest	Casa La Bionde Cafe
Code Red Laser Rosehill	Dr Shoe
European Gourmet Australia	Fresh World Castle Hill
Franky & Co Cafe	Infinity Art School
Kristine's Hairdressers	L&W Meat, Castle Mall
Martelli Fruit Market	Modern Specs Castle Hill
Officeworks Castle Hill	Officeworks Northmead
Officeworks Wentworthville	OzePac Solutions Group
Panetta Mercato	Perfection Fresh Australia
Showground Dental Care	Specsavers Winston Hills
The Hills Chinese Food	TongLi Supermarket
U-Talent	Woolworths Baulkham Hills
Woolworths Kellyville	YIHE Constructions
Zone Family Bowling	Mr Ben Wenjie Zhang

We would also like to thank Christina, Doreen, Judy, Helen, Lisa, Grace, Kathy, Amy, Dorothy, Linda, Holly, Joanne, Jane, Christine, Julie, Naja, Joy, Silvia, Angela, Emily, Winnie, Vivian, Lisen and ABC Pastry for the various food items donated to the Chinese Food Stall.

Cash Donations (\$7893 as of 23 Nov 2019)

Thank you!

<p><u>Y7 2020</u> Bruce Lin Ella Wu David Cheng</p> <p><u>Y7 2019</u> Derry Song Francis Yu Charlotte Cheng Peiwen Ma Jessie Nicole Zhou Jia Yi Weng Ava He Dante Alferez Coco Yang Danny Sun Ada Hu Sowon Lee Carol Wang Felicia Liu Asher Tang Kate Eric Li Sean Zhuang David Chen Leila Liu Terence Miao Faris Khan</p>	<p><u>Y8 2019</u> Xinxin Gao Eddy Zhai Tony Lok Danny Lok Edwin Leung Jeremy Liu Cindy Chen Kevin Zou Emily Zhang Ivy Bi Xixi Wang Eric Yin Sylvia Hu Simone Liang Jason Dunn Alex Mo Jack Xiao Michael Li Hang Lai Freya Chen Nelson Chen Holly Cusack Ricky Zhuo Qiandai Huang Leon Tan Shirley Xu James Lee Nicole Chen Samuel Hong Judy Zhang</p> <p>Emily's little brother with all his piggy bank coins- Thank You! 😊</p>	<p><u>Y9 2019</u> Yeshe Wang Joe Lee Jessie Chen Tianyi Xu Lily Wu Johnny WU Peiqin Stamford Robinson Tong Mervyn Wang Edison Peng Kevin Zhao</p> <p><u>Y10 2019</u> Sushanna Lu William Huang Aaron Jeng Vinson Cai Maggie Tan Rehan Ali Holly Yovela Catherine Wang Amina khan</p> <p><u>Y11 2019</u> YanaWu George Zhang</p> <p><u>Y12 2019</u> Lyn Wang Winnie Jiang</p>
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Band News

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. **Beginner Band Recital** - Wednesday, **27th November** from 6:30pm to 7:30pm at TLC.
2. **Band Auditions** will be held on Saturday, **30th November** from 10am to 4pm. The conductors will be Steve Clark, Yvonne Brown and Luis Madrid. You should have received audition timing, if not, please email Band Admin ASAP.

SAVE THE DATE:

- **Beginner Band Recital** – Wednesday 27th November
- **Band Auditions** – 30th November

The Band Committee

AUDITIONS ON NOVEMBER 30TH

Audition Day – Saturday, 30 November - applications are now open for Junior band and Senior band members who wish to progress to the next level in band. If you wish to audition you will need to complete an online form by the 24th of November. Request certain times only if absolutely necessary; we will do our best to accommodate you but cannot guarantee times as audition day is extremely busy. Auditions will be held in the TLC from 10am to 4pm. Ensure you apply in time, no late applications can be processed.

[Senior Band 2020 Application form](#) - Senior band rehearsals are held on Fridays @ 720am
[Symphonic Wind Ensemble 2020 Application form](#) - Symphonic Wind Ensemble rehearsals are held on Mondays @ 720am

Audition information and requirements have already been emailed. If you have not received this, email the band on bhhsbandcom@gmail.com ASAP.

If you have not played before but would like to join the band program or were playing before and had discontinued, please contact bhhsbandcom@gmail.com.

BEGINNER BAND RECITAL

Beginner Band Recital on Wednesday, 27th November from 6:30pm to 7:30pm at TLC.



Careers News

University Speaker Program 2020 – Tues/Thurs lunchtimes for Year 10/11/12 students

A list of speakers (dates TBA) has been published on Google Classroom for Terms 1 & 2

Exploring - What does my child have access to for Careers in Year 10?

- **Weekly Careers Classes** including [Morrisby Online Career Profiling](#) - please see the [Careers](#) page on the school website for an overview of the Careers Program
- **Tailored resources on Google Classroom** including a **Career Competency Checklist** to ensure they are on track going into senior school
- 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
- [Online Careers Portfolios](#) can be built via the Study Work Grow website (see info above)
- Students have access to hard copy **Career Portfolios** with the Baulko logo (pick up from Careers Office)
- **Subject Selection assistance** including UAC's [Steps to Uni for Year 10 Students](#) (online and hard copies) and new online tool ([Subject Compass](#))
- 1 year access to a new resource to explore various careers & undertake virtual work experience – [The Careers Department](#)
- 1 year access to the [Online Study Hacks Masterclass](#) (taught by Dr Jane Genovese who has qualifications in Law & Psychology)

Clarifying - What does my child have access to for Careers in Year 11?

- **Future Planning Session** (combined Careers/Wellbeing Day) in Term 2 (experienced HR speaker)
- **Motivational Mapping** using the **Youth Maps profiling report** (as well as a 1-hour explanatory session as part of Careers/Wellbeing Day) + **optional individual follow up session** with the Careers Advisor
- **Individual appointments** with the Careers Advisor (applying to uni, scholarships, general Careers advice)

Applying – What does my child have access to for Careers in Year 12?

- **Individual appointments** with the Careers Advisor (applying to uni, scholarships, general Careers advice)
- **Mock interviews for scholarships/medicine**
- **UAC information session** (how to apply to uni), **panel discussion** (uni students) and **scholarships session** (experienced HR speaker) (as part of combined Careers/Wellbeing Day in Term 1)
- **UAC Guides** in hard copy and further resources posted in Google Classroom
- Year 12 students can use the UAC online tool [Course Compass](#) to assist their decisions

Ms Hardy
Careers Adviser

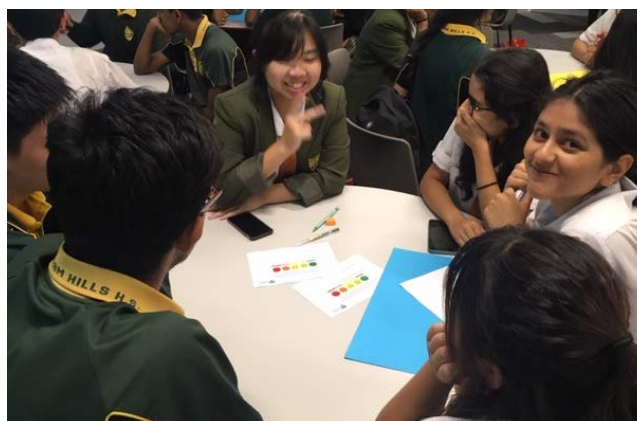
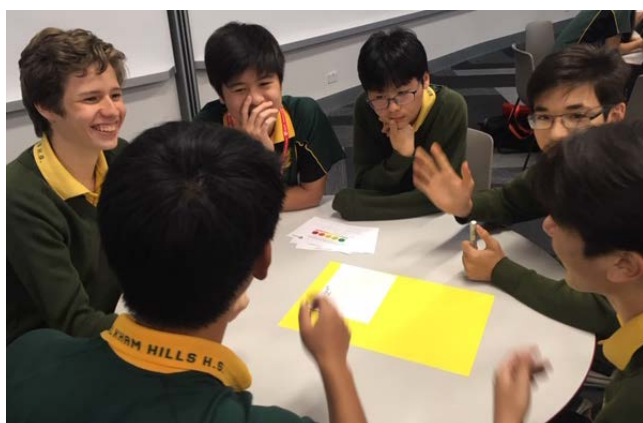


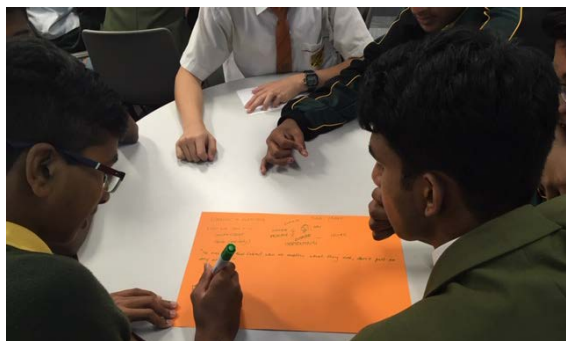
Westmead Careers in Health Day Excursion

55 Year 10 students visited Westmead Hospital in Week 6 for an excursion facilitated as a joint initiative between the hospital and the University of Sydney (undertaken also with students from Girraween High School).

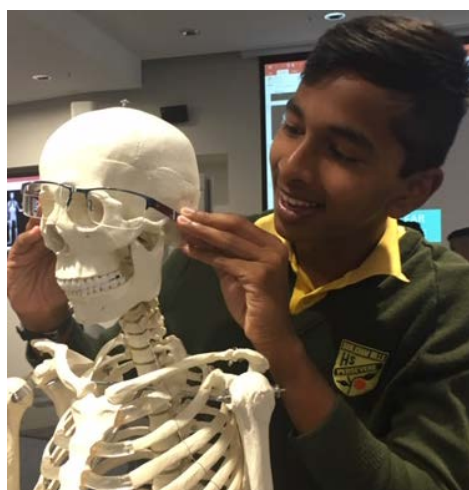


Students took part in various theoretical and practical sessions aimed at increasing their awareness of the range of careers available within the healthcare sector. Sessions included listening to a panel of speakers from physiotherapy (a Baulko graduate), epidemiology, research engineering and molecular neurobiology and undertaking workshops in Science Communication (Nutrition & Dietetics – competition using social media to promote healthy eating), Virtual Reality (using VR technology to train doctors in various scenarios), and Medical Radiation Sciences (radiation therapy, medical imaging, medical physics & IT).





Congratulations to Yovela Han, Melani Gunawardana, Sara Wardak, Rishanthi Sribaskaran and Megan Park who were members of 1 of 3 teams to win the Science Communication Competition, and who will now compete against 2 teams from Girraween to have the chance to work further with USyd Nutrition/Dietetics researchers to promote their idea. **Good luck!**



Thank you to all students who attended the excursion.

Ms Hardy

Generation Entrepreneur Start Up 101

21 Year 10 students participated in a Start Up 101 Session run by Generation Entrepreneur on Friday of Week 6. A company founded at BHHS, Generation Entrepreneur, is facilitated by university students and works with students and teachers to provide holiday and in-school programs aimed at increasing awareness of developing business ideas from scratch. Students undertook workshops on entrepreneurship and problem solving, customer development, product development and pitching and had the opportunity to work on their own ideas in groups, receiving feedback from Gen E reps and with a pitch competition between the 4 groups at the end.



Students worked collaboratively and professionally and generated some very creative ideas which made it very difficult for the judges to make the final call! Year 10 students were fortunate to have assistance from recent graduates Rishabh Jain and Pahul Singh who have had previous experience with Gen E and who acted as mentors as well as judges to help students test the validity of their ideas.



The winning team was called Studium (an online textbook sales business) – congratulations to Omkar Deshpande, Satvik Gupta, Yovela Han, Elizabeth David, Arya Maharaja and Methuli Wickramaratne for their hard work in developing this idea and who won the prize of Gen E branded hoodies. Thank you also to Gen E (Marina, Karen and Blake) for your knowledge and skills in running this valuable session at Baulko.

Thank you and well done to all students who attended the session and best of luck with your future business ideas!

Ms Hardy

Diya Goswami – Schools Spectacular

On Friday evening (22/11/19), I had the pleasure of seeing Diya perform her spoken word poem, "The Universe in Us", as one of only a select few Featured Artists at the 2019 Schools Spectacular. This poem was the *only* entirely original piece in the 3 and a half hour show. Diya wrote the poem herself, practiced it herself, and performed it herself. The performance was professional, polished, and extremely moving, and the subject-matter struck at the core of contemporary issues in our society that need to be addressed. While Diya is clearly an exceptionally talented student, I would like to acknowledge the part that her perseverance, organisation, responsibility, and resilience have played in her path towards this show.



In June this year, I put a call out for students who were interested to prepare and submit a spoken word poem, which could become a part of the Schools Spectacular show. Diya, and another talented spoken word poet from BHHS, Munira Ahmed, entered. They waited a long time, but in September, we heard the news that Diya, as well as a poet from another school, had been accepted, but the decision of who would perform in the main show would be made over the course of a two-day set of intensive workshops with a professional spoken word poet, Miles Merrill. One of these workshops was at the end of Term 3, and one was Day 1, Week 1 of Term 4. That's a great deal of pressure for anyone, and Diya took it in her stride while juggling her school commitments and rehearsals for *Grease! The Musical* and the State Drama Ensemble. In the lead up to these workshops, Diya rehearsed and refined her poem with a range of teachers, in front of classes from Years 7 to 12, and even at the end of a Staff morning tea (in front of most of the teachers and School Administrative and Support Staff). She was determined to be centre-stage, and her hard work and dedication paid off.



After she found out that she was to be the one performing in the arena (a very exciting moment), she began practising even harder, while still juggling her State Drama Ensemble rehearsals and performances, a work experience internship at Bell Shakespeare, and her yearly examinations. There were further sessions practicing and editing the poem with teachers at school, but more often than not she was making her own way into the city for rehearsals throughout the week and on weekends. She had the chance to be interviewed by Channel 7, was profiled on the Schools Spectacular social media pages, got headshots done, and had a costume made up for her based on her poem, and all of this culminated in an amazing set of shows that blew away her audience of tens of thousands time after time.

But the point here is not to brag about Diya, although she deserves to brag for herself. It's to demonstrate the power of resilience and perseverance. Without exception, students at BHHS can do anything they're passionate about - be it creative, mathematical, athletic, or in any other plethora of areas - but it takes bravery, it takes encouragement, and it takes a willingness to put yourself, your ego, and your pride on the line. Performers like Diya Goswami, mathematicians like James Bang, and athletes like Jessie Wong are not just born to be great at what they do. They are encouraged and supported by teachers, friends and family, and they work extremely hard to get to where they want to be. They should be acknowledged as much for this as they are for the things they achieve.

This wasn't easy for Diya, but it was worth it nonetheless. She's not immune to nerves or self-doubt, but she always pushed through regardless, and just look at the results.

Congratulations on your achievements, Diya, I am sure there are many more such achievements to come!

Mr Poole



Creative & Performing Arts
Faculty

+
**CREATIVE
AND
PERFORMING ARTS
SHOWCASE**

December 12th, 2019

Doors open at 6pm

Houliston Centre,
Baulkham Hills High School

Visual Arts, Photography, Visual Design,
Drama and Music will all be on display.

**COME ALONG AND SEE
THE BEST OF 2019!**



Education
School Infrastructure

REQUEST FOR ALL SCHOOL MAINTENANCE LOCAL TRADES PROVIDERS AND SUPPLIERS

The NSW Government has committed to the largest investment in planned maintenance at public schools in the history of NSW. A record \$1.3 billion is being spent on an ambitious delivery program, focused on employing local businesses and contractors across the state.

To assist in addressing regional school maintenance issues and at the same time provide work for local trade's persons and suppliers across the Greater Western Sydney region encompassing South Western and Western Sydney, over \$100 million is being invested to upgrade and maintain our school infrastructure.

Given this record spend by School Infrastructure NSW, you are invited to an Asset Management Unit industry breakfast briefing. This will provide information to existing and new contractors on how you can get involved.

To find out more by attending our Industry breakfast briefing, register at

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/industry-engagement-information-session-tickets-81879669295>

or contact your AMU on 8867 9201.



CLLA Chinese Language School

千里 (QianLi) 中文学校 2019 年招生通知

We invite you to join our weekend Chinese classes at Baulkham Hills High School. As a DET guided and supported community language school, CLLA (QianLi) hosts language-focused learning activities. Our current classes are on Saturdays from 2pm - 4pm. Additional classes can be scheduled for weekend mornings and week-day afternoons. Students are able to enroll at any time throughout the school term.

For inquiries, please email via cllaau9@gmail.com, or text **0403816959/0425323632** for a quicker reply. Our teacher Sun Lao Shi has BA degree in Chinese, Postgraduate Diploma in Education, our teacher Du Lao Shi has Master of Teaching in Early Childhood; they both have Community Language Teaching Certificates and both have over 10 years of teaching experiences in different educational settings. All of our teachers and volunteers have undergone Working With Children Check.

We would also like to share a message from the Community Languages Schools Program Coordinator: *"Students now have the opportunity to be recognized for their participation in community languages school and be presented with a certificate at their home school. Students in secondary school will have the opportunity for formal recognition of learning a language in community languages schools through the Board of Studies Teaching and Educational Standards (BOSTES) Record of School Achievement (RoSA) for graduating students."*

千里中文学校是教育部管理和支持下的社区中文学校。我们主要的两位老师有中文系和教育学的专业学历，也有丰富的教中文的经验。

主要教室地址: Baulkham Hills High School.

主要上课时间: 周六下午 2-4 点。一学年 40 周课时。

我们乃非盈利机构，收费低廉。我们的老师除了过硬的资历和经验，还有很强的责任心和爱心，学生们在我们这里除了学习知识，还可以享受开心的学习经历和友爱的课堂氛围。学得好的学生还可以成为我们的助教。我们欢迎 K-12 的学生来和我们一起学中文，也欢迎大学生以及成人学生来进修汉语。



Illness / Misadventure Flow chart

If you are in Year 11 or Year 12 and are absent due to illness or misadventure on the day an assessment task is scheduled or due, follow and complete this process within 2 school days of the due date of the assessment task. This process is mandatory for Year 11 and Year 12 students.

