

Baulkham Hills High Newsletter



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Congratulations to our students who received awards for 100% attendance in Term 2 and Semester 1.

Cover: 100% attendance award recipients

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From the principal's desk:

Week 10 is off to a good start with students being congratulated on assembly for 100% attendance in Term 2 and for Semester 1. Eligible students go into a draw for a reward of a chocolate bar. We aim for 100% attendance from all students. Congratulations to all who were eligible.

Year 12 will have their Recognition Assembly this Thursday at 9am. Parents are very welcome to attend this final Recognition Assembly in the TLC.

Year 7 and Support students will receive their reports this Friday. Year 8 and 9 students will receive their reports on Friday of Week 1 next term. Year 7 and 10 Parent Teacher meetings will take place on Thursday of Week 1 and Year 8 and 9 Parent Teacher meetings will take place on Monday of Week 2. See notices elsewhere in this newsletter for booking details.

1 July 2019



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 2

Week 10
Monday 1 July - Y11 Assessment Week 1/7 to 5/7 incl.
Tuesday 2 July
Wednesday 3 July
Thursday 4 July - Y12 Recognition Assembly – 9am
Friday 5 July - Y7 and Support Reports issued

Term 3

Week 1
Monday 22 July – Staff Development Day (Pupil Free Day)
Tuesday 23 July - P&C General Meeting 7.30pm - Y10 Welfare Day (Trkulja)
Wednesday 24 July
Thursday 25 July - Y7 & Y10 Parent Teacher evening
Friday 26 July - Y8 and Y9 Reports Issued - Y12 Buffer Week Friday 26/7 to Thursday 1/8 incl.
Week 2
Monday 29 July - Y12 Buffer Week 26/7 to 1/8 incl. - Y8 and Y9 Parent Teacher evening
Tuesday 30 July
Wednesday 31 July - Y7&8 APSMO Maths Competition in class (Hoang)
Thursday 1 August - Y7, 8, 10 & 100 Australian Math competition (Kumar)
Friday 2 August - Y12 Trial HSC Examinations 2/8 to 15/8 incl. - Y9 Australian Math competition (Kumar)
Week 3
Monday 5 August - Y12 Trial HSC Examinations 2/8 to 15/8 incl.
Tuesday 6 August
Wednesday 7 August
Thursday 8 August
Friday 9 August - Y7 Concert P1&2
Week 5
Monday 12 August - Y12 Trial HSC Examinations 2/8 to 15/8 incl. - Y10 McBeth Performance Excursion (Poole)
Tuesday 13 August
Wednesday 14 August
Thursday 15 August
Friday 16 August
Week 6
Monday 19 August
Tuesday 20 August
Wednesday 21 August
Thursday 22 August - Y7&8 APSMO Maths Competition in class (Hoang)
Friday 23 August - Cadets Timber Wolf Activity (after school)

On Friday we will break for the winter holidays. Please ensure that everyone stays safe and well and returns refreshed and healthy for the next term. Students return on Tuesday, 23rd July.

Congratulations to:

- Hasindu Sellahewa and Jessie Wong who have again set Zone Athletics records in their events

Jeanne Bathgate

Applications for entry into Years 8-12 for 2020 are now open.

Please see our website for details.

Do not forget to include both the “Years 8 to 12 entry to selective high schools in 2020 Application Form” and the “Supplementary Application Form”.

Attention Parents of Year 8 and Year 9 Students

Parent Teacher Night Interviews are on Monday, 29th July.

Please Log onto www.schoolinterviews.com.au and use the event code 5rms5 to make your bookings.

Bookings will open at 9am on Monday, 1st July and close at 8am on Monday, 29th July.

Note: please discuss with your student if they have a course with multiple teachers, which teacher will be available for interview and book appropriately

Baulko News

ABSENCE DURING "BUFFER WEEK"

The week prior to a designated assessment period is classified as buffer week. Please see the "Buffer Week Policy" on Moodle for further details. Students absent in this time need proof of illness such as a BHTS Doctor's certificate to verify absence. If students know prior to buffer week they will be absent, they need to seek permission from the Principal or Deputy Principal to be absent. Documentary evidence will be required for verification. Students who fail to follow this direction will have their school record marked with "malpractice" which may in turn affect important documentation such as references and Principal's recommendations. After school detentions will also be given.

Doctor's certificates that are obviously backdated will not be accepted. Also family members should not write Doctor Certificate for students due to conflict of interest.



GREEN GROUP "ENVIROWEEK" ~ TREASURE HUNT WINNERS ~

Congratulations to Charlotte Chang and Christina Yang who were the winners of Green Group's "Enviroweek" treasure hunt earlier this term. They are the new owners of a Snow Leopard plush toy.

ZONE ATHLETICS RECORDS ~ 2 MORE NEW RECORDS ~

HASINDU SELLAHEWA broke the 17+ boys TRIPLE JUMP with a jump of 14.13 metres beating the previous record of D. Boulet set in 2002 by 21 centimetres.

JESSIE WONG broke the 15 girls LONG JUMP record with a jump of 5.58 metres beating the previous record of G. Ralphs set in 2010 by 47 cm



P&C News

The P&C would like to thank **Mr Brett McDonell, Head Teacher PDHPE** for providing an overview of the Sports and PE Curriculum and answering questions from the parents at the P&C Meeting on 25 June.

The next P&C Meeting will be held on **23 July** (first day of Term 3). Guest speaker for the meeting will be **Ms Keely Simpson, Head Teacher of Support**. The guest speaker is scheduled to speak at the beginning of the meeting so please be on time.

Calling Y12 Parents: Y12 English Study Day on 10th July

The English faculty will be running a study day for Year 12 students during Term 2 holidays on **Wednesday, 10th July** from 9 am and the P&C is once again proudly supporting their effort by helping to organise morning tea and lunch. We are looking for parent volunteers and it would be greatly appreciated if Year 12 parents could contribute food for the students and help set up, serve food and assist us during the day. Food can be delivered to P&C representatives at the Senior Quad (area in front of Uniform Shop) on the day. Morning Tea will start from 10am and lunch from 12 noon. Please email P&C at bhspandc@hotmail.com and let us know what you will be able to provide and if you are able to help out during the day. **Thank you!**

The next General Meeting will be held on **23 July** (Tuesday), 7:30pm at the library.

Sau Wan Liew
P&C President



Band News

Enjoy your holidays everyone! Rehearsals start first week back in Term 1 on Monday, 22nd July with Concert band and Trumpet workshop.

Permission notes for both workshops are due back this Wednesday via the band letterbox. Spare forms are available from the band locker room (on top of filing cabinets).

String Ensemble - Rehearsals will continue on Monday's for the remainder of this year, starting on Monday, 29th July in Term 3

Concert Band Workshop:

- Will be held on Monday, 22 July 2019 from 9:00am @ TLC
- Morning tea will be provided
- Students will attend an intensive workshop style rehearsal in preparation for the Australian School Band and Orchestra Festival
- Students are not required to wear school uniform
- Please remember to bring your instrument!
- Permission note due back Wednesday, 3rd July!

Trumpet Workshop:

Will be held on Monday, 22 July 2019 @ Room G14 in G Block following the schedule below:

- 8:20am for Beginner band, finish 9:30am
- 11:30am for Senior Band, finish 12:45pm
- 12:45pm for Junior Band, finish at 2:00pm
- Workshop is free of charge
- Permission note due back Wednesday, 3rd July!

SAVE THE DATE:

- **Senior Band Workshop** – Friday, 16th August
- **Stage Band Café Performance** – Sunday, 29th September
- **Orchestra Workshop** – Sunday, 27th Oct
- **ASBOF (Australian School Band and Orchestra Festival, formerly known as NSWBF)** - Sunday 8th Sept @ UNSW Kensington for Junior, Senior, Concert Bands and Orchestra

The Band Committee



Year 9 Food Technology "Food Trends" Unit

Mrs Parnell's Year 9 Food Technology class has produced some very creative 'Freak Shakes' as a part of learning about current food trends in Australia. Students were able to explore a range of trending ingredients such as matcha, coffee, oreo, activated charcoal, red bean paste and berries. She is extremely proud of the effort and attitude students are showing in the completion of this task in a double period. Their final products were colourful, creative and imaginative.

Baulkham Hills High school students are extending their skills in the kitchen and as a result of this are producing some pretty amazing food items. I look forward to our next semester's creations.

Well Done Year 9, for always striving to do your very best.

Mrs Melanie Parnell
Food Technology Teacher



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>

Uni Speakers Terms 2 & 3 at lunch (schedule on Google Classroom)

At the end of Term 2 and early Term 3, ex-students from Baulko will deliver lunch talks on Medicine (including interview prep) as well as Dentistry. A videoconference on teaching is also scheduled for this week.

Events & Resources for students

- 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**
- Please see the [Careers](#) page on the school website for an overview of the Careers Program.
- See upcoming list of university [Open Days](#) (will be covered in Year 10 Careers Classes)

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 – guidance for this is via Careers Classes and individual consultations)
- UAC's [Steps to Uni for Year 10 Students](#) to assist with subject selection have been given to students
- A new online tool ([Subject Compass](#)) introduced by UAC recently has been shared with students to assist with the subject selection process
- All Year 10 students will 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 will 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 12 students

- UAC Guides have been delivered to the school and are available in the senior study for all Year 12 students. Year 12 have been briefed on uni procedures and are now able to apply (the full [timeline](#) has been sent to students)
- Scholarship and cadetship opportunities have been emailed to/posted on Google Classroom for students and addressed by universities and other speakers this term
- Year 12 will have the opportunity to have help with their scholarship applications from a speaker experienced in HR, after Trials (Week 5, Thurs 22 Aug Period 6 + lunch)
- Year 12 students can use the UAC online tool [Course Compass](#) to assist their decisions
- Year 12 students need to finalise their UAC applications (with at least 1 preference which can be changed/deleted) by 30 Sep to avoid a late fee (ATARs will be released Tues 17 Dec 1pm)

Ms Hardy, Careers Adviser



Cough etiquette

Cover your cough



- When coughing or sneezing, use a tissue to cover your nose and mouth
- Dispose of the tissue afterwards
- If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your elbow.

Wash your hands



- After coughing, sneezing or blowing your nose, wash your hands with soap and water
- Use alcohol-based hand cleansers if you do not have access to soap and water

Remember hand washing is the single most effective way to reduce the spread of germs that cause respiratory disease.

Anyone with signs and symptoms of a respiratory infection, regardless of the cause, should be instructed to cover their nose/mouth when coughing or sneezing; use tissues to contain respiratory secretions; dispose of tissues in the nearest waste receptacle after use; and wash their hands afterwards.



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Does your child catch a school bus? Help them keep it!

As the bus operator that providing your child's school bus services, we're asking for your help getting your child to use their Opal card on every bus trip.

Since the introduction of the School Opal card in 2016, school bus patronage data has significantly dropped. This is not reflected in the number of students actually travelling on our buses for various reasons a large number of students are consistently not using their Opal cards as they should be.

Opal data gathered by tapping on and off is used by transport planners and service schedulers to design the bus network that best serves the community utilising the resources available.

If students don't tap on and off then school bus services will appear underutilised and may be considered for cancellation based on low passenger numbers.

Please help us reinforce the message that tapping on and off every bus journey with an Opal card is essential to travel on the bus. This will ensure school services continue to be planned for the students that use it, providing the journey to school your children depend on.

To help us achieve this, please talk with your child:

- Ask them if they tap on and off the bus with their Opal card.
- If they do, congratulate them for doing the right thing and talk about why it's important.
- If they sometimes don't or never do, ask them why.
 - Are they confused about why they have to? Talk about why it's important, and that every tap tells the bus planners that the bus is needed.
 - Do they forget? Help them find a way to remember, such as getting into the habit of getting their Opal card out as soon as they arrive at the bus stop or bus line.
 - Is their Opal card at the bottom of their bag? Help find a handier place to keep it.
 - Are they influenced by friends or peers that don't tap? Talk about how they like to travel on the bus with their friends and how tapping is what keeps the service running.
 - Have they lost their Opal card? To order a new Opal card visit www.opal.com.au.

If there's another reason that you'd like to discuss with Busways, please contact us at infoline@busways.com.au. We are happy to listen and do what we can to help your child feel comfortable using their Opal card.

Thank you for helping us to best serve your school community.

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