

Baulkham Hills High Newsletter



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Cover: CHS Volleyball State Knockout - Girls

L-R: Alice Chau, Eva Huang, Shelly Zhang, Helen Guan, Phoebe Peng, Mary Shen, Anna Cheung, Vicki Shen, Christine Aung and Alice Ji with Mr Drew

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From the principal's desk:

Another busy week begins. Year 11 PDHPE students are enjoying their excursion to the snow this week. So far all reports have been positive. Today we will welcome students from Konusu in Japan who will be staying with us and attending class with their buddies for the next few days. Also today we have the Year 8 and 9 Parent Teacher meetings after school. On Wednesday we have OC testing in our examination centre with 200 Year 4 children on site. Finally on Friday Year 12 begin their Trial HSC examinations. We wish them well.

Students in Years 8 and 10 are currently making subject selections for 2020. It is important that they discuss their selections with their parents and seek your advice but equally important that they choose subjects which they will enjoy studying, not subjects that parents wish they had studied long ago.

Year 11 students are currently planning a cruise to celebrate

29 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 3

Week 2
Monday 29 July
- Y12 Buffer Week 26/7 to 1/8 incl.
- Y8 and Y9 Parent Teacher evening
- Japanese Visit 29/7 to 2/8 incl. (Zhu)
Tuesday 30 July
Wednesday 31 July
- Y7&8 APSMO Maths Competition in class (Hoang)
Thursday 1 August
- Y7, 8, 10 & 11 Australian Maths competition (Kumar)
- Y11 Assessment Task (in class) Mathematics Extension 1 P1&2 (Ribbans)
Friday 2 August
- Y12 Trial HSC Examinations 2/8 to 16/8 incl.
- Y9 Aust Maths Comp (AMC) (Kumar)
Week 3
Monday 5 August
- Y12 Trial HSC Examinations 2/8 to 15/8 incl.
Tuesday 6 August
Wednesday 7 August
- Y9, 10 & 11 Chemistry Olympiad Exam (Harwood)
Thursday 8 August
Friday 9 August
- Y7 Concert P1&2
- Y9, 10 & 11 Earth and Environmental Science Olympiad Exam (Harwood)
- Y7 Concert Music Aviva P1&2 (Sleight)
Week 4
Monday 12 August
- Y12 Trial HSC Examinations 2/8 to 16/8 incl.
- Y9, 10 & 11 Biology Olympiad Exam (Harwood)
- Y10 Macbeth Performance Excursion (Poole)
- Y11 Mathematics Advanced Hand in Task due P1 (Ribbans)
Tuesday 13 August
Wednesday 14 August
- Y9, 10 & 11 Physics Olympiad Exam (Harwood)
Thursday 15 August
- Y7 Acara Item Trial P1-4 15/8 to 16/8 incl. (Simmons)
Friday 16 August
- Senior Band Workshop TLC After School (Panjan)
Week 5
Monday 19 August
Tuesday 20 August
Wednesday 21 August
- Y7 Test 3 Maths Assessments P4&5 (Ribbans)
- Y9-11 China Ningbo School visits 21/8 to 23/8 incl. (Greenlees/Robinson)
- Ed X after school (Arblaster)
Thursday 22 August
- Y7&8 APSMO Maths Competition in class (Hoang)
Friday 23 August
- Cadets Timber Wolf Activity 23/8 (after school) to 25/8 incl. (Iaconis)
Week 6
Monday 26 August
- Spirit Week SRC 26/8 to 30/8 incl. (Khan/Mudaliar)
- Konosu School Visit 26/8 to 28/8 (Zhu)
Tuesday 27 August
- P&C General Meeting 7.30pm
Wednesday 28 August
Thursday 29 August
- Y8 Test 3 Maths Assessments P3&4 (Ribbans)
Friday 30 August
- Y9 Test 3 Maths Assessments P1&2 (Ribbans)
- SRC Spring Fling 6pm to 9pm (Khan/Mudaliar)
Week 7
Monday 2 September
- Y10 Test 3 Maths Assessments P1&2 (Ribbans)
Tuesday 3 September
Wednesday 4 September
- NSW CHS Athletics 4/9 to 6/9 incl.
Thursday 5 September
- Y8 ICAS Science (Chilwell)
Friday 6 September

the conclusion of their Preliminary year. It is important that parents are aware that this a student led initiative and that no teachers are involved. Students do this every year and I have never heard of any problems but the school is not involved at all.

Good luck to all our students who are competing at Sydney West Athletics carnival this week.

Congratulations to:

- Henry Corcoran who gained First Place in the Chinese Eisteddfod
- Open Girls Volleyball team who won Gold at CHS competition
- Open Boys Volleyball team who won Bronze at CHS competition
- Elena Koudasheva who has been selected for the NSW All Schools Cross Country team to compete at the Nationals.

Jeanne Bathgate



Henry Corcoran Y7 – First Place in the Chinese Eisteddfod



Baulko News

Absence During "Buffer Week" (YEAR 12)

26 July to 1 August

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 **BHHS 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 a Doctor's Certificate for students due to conflict of interest.

Ms Clarke, Deputy Principal

English Workshop - 10 July

On Wednesday the 10th of July, Year 12 students were fortunate to attend a study day hosted by the English faculty. The day was interesting and knowledge-filled, and it provided much direction and clarity for our upcoming exams. We would like to thank the teachers and guest speakers who so graciously took time out of their day to teach us, as well as all our wonderful parents who provided a delicious array of food for everyone to enjoy - their constant love and support never goes unnoticed.

We hope this study day continues to effectively assist future Year 12 students as it did for us.

Celina Pang,
Year 12 Student

P&C News

Working Bee (Saturday 24 August 9.00 am – 1.00 pm)

The last working bee for this year will be held on Saturday 24 August. We need many volunteers: parents, students, family members and friends are all encouraged to come and help on the day. Work involves weeding, setting up edging for garden beds, mulching, pruning plants and painting.



Come and spend a couple of hours beautifying the school and making friends with other parents. Morning tea and a sausage sizzle lunch will be provided for all participants. In order to assist with planning and catering needs, please sign up online as soon as possible at www.volunteersignup.org/TPKJC or email bhhsbandc@hotmail.com.

Interview Skills Workshop for Year 12 (Saturday 14 September 10.00am-1.00pm)

In order to prepare our Year 12 for their next step in life, the P&C has organised an Interview Skills Workshop with Masters Academy, which aims to provide Year 12 students with exclusive insight into entering medicine and law degree, as well as successfully applying for scholarships. The workshops will be facilitated by presenters who are experienced in University Interviews, Job Interviews, consulting and Human Resources, to prepare the students with presentation techniques and resume writing. These skills will be useful for university and their further careers. The cost is \$30/person, with 50 places available on a first come first serve basis. Watch this space for registration details soon.

The next General Meeting will be held on **27 August** (Tuesday), 7:30pm at the library.

Sau Wan Liew
P&C President

Hillsbus Network Changes on 28th July

This is a reminder that the service adjustments for Hillsbus will be implemented on 28th July 2019. The changes may impact how students travel, and we encourage students and parents to check <https://transportnsw.info/> for details on these changes before next week.

Band News

1. String Ensemble- Rehearsals will continue on Mondays for the remainder of this year, starting Monday 29th July in Term 3.
2. Senior Band workshop Friday 16th August - The senior band will participate in a Friday afternoon workshop with a guest conductor from 3:30 pm-6:00 pm at Baulkham Hills High School(TLC). Permission notes due by 7th August.
3. ASBOF Sunday 8th September, 2019 at Leighton Hall,UNSW,Kensington.

Junior Band	Raymond Hanson Secondary School Concert Band Event Arrival: 8:50am
Senior Band	Graham Lloyd Secondary School Concert Band Event Arrival: 8:50am
Concert Band	David Stanhope Secondary School Concert Band Event Arrival: 11:20am
Orchestra	Richard Gill Secondary School Orchestra Premier Event Arrival: 12:20pm

Permission notes to be sent out soon.

4. **Stage Band Cafe Performance** on Sunday Sept 29th from 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm
Outdoor performance at Glenorie cafe and Bakery.
5. **Stage Band is auditioning for 1 alto and 1 tenor saxophone player, closing date 15th August.**
Students should be playing at a minimum 5th grade AMEB level, however it is not a requirement to have completed the exam.

Stage band plays a variety of repertoire including swing/big band music, modern jazz, funk and contemporary covers. The repertoire also opens up opportunities for students to develop their improvisation skills. The audition will simply consist of playing major and harmonic minor scales (chosen at random) as well as sight-reading some stage band music.

Students auditioning should be available to attend rehearsals on a Wednesday morning at 7:20am and be committed to attending the annual workshops as well as performances throughout the year. Please direct applications to bhhsbandcom@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATE:

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

The Band Committee



CHS Volleyball State Knockout

Once again our volleyball teams performed admirably at this year's State Knockout Championships.

While our senior girls team were once again State Champions, the senior boys team came in at 3rd place – their best ever result in this tournament.

On their way to the semi finals the girls defeated a young and very strong Ulladulla team (South Coast) 3-0. Their next game was against Cabramatta (the team they successfully played in last year's final). It was a comfortable win as Cabramatta didn't play all that well.

The semi final was against Riverside Girls High, and it was a very tough game. Baulko won the first set, then lost the next two, with Riverside playing very strongly. The 4th set went to Baulko in a game that could have gone either way. This put the match into a deciding 5th set. Both teams played tremendously well, Baulko winning a "nail biter" 15-13.

This put the girls into the final against arch rival Rooty Hill. Baulko won the first set easily, but then had to come from behind to win the 2nd - 25-23. This broke Rooty Hills spirit, and our girls won the last set comfortably.

State Knockout Champions again, Baulko girls have an unenviable record in the tournament with 14 State Titles – a magnificent effort and something the whole School should be proud of. Great work girls.

The boys qualified to the CHS top 16 as Sydney West Champions. Their first opponent was Blayney, who were competitive but lacked much experience. After winning in straight sets, we were up against a high quality Armidale team, who had a mix of athletic ability and state players. The game was of a top four standard, with both teams fighting for every point. After losing a tight first set, we fought back to win the next two. A few mistakes from us had us lose the fourth set, putting the game in a tie break. Jake Lee and Royce Zeng both stepped up in defence and attack to keep us in the game, with Ryan Yoo's serving putting us well ahead and winning the game. The next opponent were the current champions Sydney Boys in the Semi-final. The team had their work cut out for them, as they needed better than perfect Volleyball to win the match, They went down fighting in straight sets, as Sydney Boys demonstrated their quality and why they would go on to win the tournament for the fourth year straight.

This put us in the Bronze medal match against Girraween, who were on a dream run. They had put up a strong defense, but were unable to stop us from winning in straight sets. It was a great achievement placing us third in the state, especially for the second year running.

I would like to say a big thank you to our outgoing Year 12 students who will be missed. Alice Ji, Helen Guan, Phoebe Peng, Vicki Shen, Chris Shen, Jake Lee, Steven Lee, Edwin Ni and Owen Yang.

Mr Drew and Mr Koksai

CHS Volleyball State Knockout – Boys Team



L-R: Mr Koksai, Daniel Chen, Royce Zeng, Christopher Shen, Leo Choi, Jake Lee, Edwin Ni, Steven Lee, Hung Le, Owen Yang and Ryan Yoo

Green Group – Tree Planting Day

The Tree Planting Day on Friday was a huge success with students helping to plant over 65 native plants provided by the Baulkham Hills Shire Council, these native Australian plants were planted in both the native garden and the outside gym, with them beautifully complementing the already native aesthetics. With constant watering and care for the plants, we look forward to what they shall grow into.

Student helpers for Green Group – Friday, 26 July: Yeshe Wang, Esther Oh, Naomi Kayama, Manmeet Singh, Tiana Kim, Fiona Liu, Elisa Fu, Aniket Sinha, Hillary Yheon, Cindy Lac, Tony Lok, Satvik Gupta, Lavieen Uthyakamar, Muskaan Gupta, Diya Choudhury, James Hanly and Umesh Raveen with Ms Koksai



Staff Development Day



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 Term 3 at lunch (schedule on Google Classroom)

Baulko graduates will deliver lunch talks on Medicine (including interview prep) as well as Dentistry and Physiotherapy. Other talks include an Economist from the Reserve Bank of Australia and a presentation on colleges and scholarships from the University of Sydney. Year 10 and 11 students are encouraged to attend.

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)
- 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 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)

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

