

Baulkham Hills High Newsletter



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From the principal's desk:

Year 10 students are being interviewed this week to ensure they have chosen satisfactory subjects for Year 11 next year and that their workload will be manageable.

Year 12 students continue with the Trial HSC all week. We wish them well with this challenge.

Year 9 students need to register and pay for the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze program before Friday this week. The response so far has been very disappointing and most unusual. It is a general expectation that all students challenge themselves in the Duke of Edinburgh course. It is always treated as great fun and is an excellent way to bond as a grade. Those experiencing financial hardship need to contact Mr Parnaby in the front office.

5 August 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 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) - Y12 Extension 2 English Study Day
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 - Y10 Science ICAS P1&2 (Chilwell)
Thursday 5 September - Y7&8 ICAS Science P3&4 (Chilwell)
Friday 6 September - Y9 Science ICAS P5&6 (Chilwell)
Sunday 8 September - ASBOF Aust School Band and Orchestra Festival (Kim)
Week 8
Monday 9 September - Y11 Buffer Week 9/9 to 13/9 incl. - Y9 Duke of Ed Camp 9/9 to 13/9 incl. (Iaconis) - Y10 Minimum Standards Test P4-5 (Simmons)
Tuesday 10 September
Wednesday 11 September
Thursday 12 September - Y7-10 Aust Intermediate Maths Comp P1-6 (Ribbans) - Y7&8 APSMO Maths Competition in class (Hoang)
Friday 13 September

Year 11 PDHPE students enjoyed a great few days last week skiing. Thank you to the teachers who accompanied them and gave up their home comforts. Unfortunately there was one injury in the very final run of the trip but this was managed very well.

Congratulations to:

- Our athletes who competed at Sydney West last week. More details to follow.
- Our four students who represented Australia at the International Linguistics Olympiad in South Korea.

Jeanne Bathgate



Y12 Students attending the International Linguistics Competition in Korea last week
L-R: Pavitraa Hathi, Anna Zhou, Lyn Wang and Cathy Doan

(more details and photos below)

Baulko News

Procedures

I would like to see the Counsellor:-

The School Counsellor is available to any student, even if it's just for an informal chat. Appointments may be made directly with the Counsellor or through your Year Adviser.

Welfare Team:-

Baulkham Hills High School is a caring school. If you have any social, emotional, physical or academic problems we can help. Talk to the Counsellor, Head Teacher Welfare, Year Adviser, Prefects, Peer Support Leaders or any teacher. If anything at all is worrying you, we will listen and help. If you have financial problems please see the Bursar, Mr Parnaby.

Homework:-

Homework is valued at Baulkham Hills High School as a means of encouraging you to:

- Develop a habit of reviewing work studied in class.
- Undertake preparation for lessons.
- Undertake extension work which challenges and extends.

Homework is given regularly in all subjects and is to be recorded by you in your school diary. Homework will be monitored by teachers, and parents or caregivers will be informed if satisfactory completion of homework becomes a problem.

Every effort will be made to recognise students' commitments out of school hours when allocating homework, assignments and tests. In this regard students will normally be able to negotiate realistic homework demands with teachers.

Senior students undertaking assessment tasks should give these tasks priority. At any time, if completing all homework is a problem, you should see your teacher.

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. Thank you to everyone who has already signed up. If you can help on the day, please sign up online at www.volunteersignup.org/TPKJC or email bhhspsc@hotmai.com.



Your attendance at this working bee would be greatly appreciated as there is a lot of work to be done around the school. Lunch (a sausage sizzle) and Morning Tea will be served.

Please bring along some **gardening gloves** and **gardening tools** if you have any.

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.

Registrations open on **9:00am, Monday the 12th of August**. The cost is \$30/person, with 50 places available on a first come first serve basis. Please refer to the **Workshop Poster** below for the **booking link**.

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

Sau Wan Liew
P&C President



INTERVIEW SKILLS WORKSHOP

Saturday, 14th September 2019

Baulkham Hills High School

A skills-based workshop for year 12 students looking to practice their interview skills ahead of post HSC applications for Law, Medical Science or various university scholarships.

Students will engage with recent high school graduates who have been successful in their own applications, as well as receive advice from members of the Masters Academy team who are currently involved in the tail end of their degrees at university.

Location

The workshop will be hosted by Baulkham Hills High School, and final location details will be provided via email in the lead up to the event.



Session Size

50

Per Session



Duration (Hours)

3hrs

10am – 1pm



Cost (Per Head)

\$30

Per student

Course Notes and Material:

- Workshops will be facilitated by presenters experienced in Medical Interviews, Job Interviews, Consulting and Human Resources.
- These workshops are open to all Year 12 students currently studying at Baulkham Hills High School.
- Each workshop will be divided into two sessions with a short break between.
- Students are asked to bring along any note taking equipment for the day, including pens, paper, laptops etc.
- Light refreshments will be provided on the day.

Course Overview

Session 1 (10:00am to 11:00am)

- Interview Skills
- Interview Preparation
- Presentation Techniques
- Personal Messaging

Break (11:00am to 11:30am)

Session 2 (11:30am to 1:00pm)

- Expert Presentations: Presentation from our team for entries into medicine, law and scholarships
- Resume Writing – How to effectively put together a CV
- Speed Interview – Role playing exercise in which students "speed-interview" each other
- Q & A session

Learn More and Enrol

<https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=533218&>

Registrations open 9:00am, Monday the 12th of August



(02) 8285 2905
info@mastersacademy.com.au
 ABN: 60 145 164 724
 f /mastersacademytraining

Band News

1. **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.
2. **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.
3. **Stage Band Cafe Performance** on Sunday Sept 29th from 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm
Outdoor performance at Glenorie cafe and Bakery.
4. **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 Oct
- **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



International Linguistics Olympiad (IOL) - Korea

From Monday July 29 to Friday 2 August, four Year 12 students from BHHS competed as one of two Australian teams in the 17th International Linguistics Olympiad (IOL), held in Yongin, Korea Republic. The team, consisting of Anna Zhou, Cathy Doan, Lyn Wang and Pavitraa Hathi, qualified for the event by gaining second place (out of over 500 teams) in the national OzCLO linguistics competition. This is the second time that a team from Baulko has achieved this honour, following the success of our 2016 IOL pioneers. The girls were accompanied by Mrs. Milne and Mr. Salter.

The IOL requires competitors to deduce the structure of five unfamiliar languages from a limited set of data. The problems demand a combination of linguistic knowledge, logic and analytical perseverance. The Baulko team very much enjoyed the challenge, and took part eagerly in the solution discussions following the competition. Although we didn't bring home any medals this time, the competition organisers gave Cathy the unofficial title of "meme lord" of the IOL due to the many hilarious IOL-related memes she produced in the course of the week!



Of course, our week in Korea wasn't all about linguistics. We were exposed to the many joys and surprises of Korea, a nation with a rich and vibrant culture, both ancient and contemporary. In the course of the week, the girls learned about

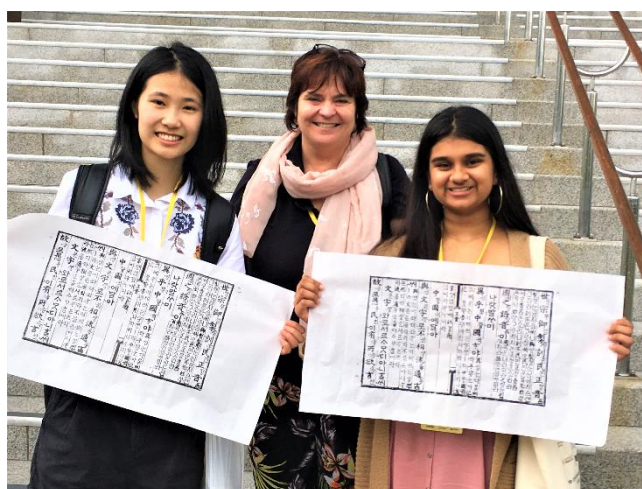


traditional Korean costumes, K-pop dancing, the history of the Hangeul writing system, contemporary styles in Korean dress and music, and much more...all while making friends with other competitors from all around the globe, from the Netherlands to Nepal.

It was an unforgettable week for the Baulko students and their accompanying teachers, and many thanks are due to the IOL Chief Organiser Minkyu Kim and his resourceful team. At the Australian end, we must thank the OzCLO organisers for their help in facilitating the trip, as well as Dr. Bathgate, Ms. Lennox and Ms. Plant who did a lot of work behind the scenes to get us to Korea.

May the Baulko IOL tradition continue in years to come!

Mr Salter, Language



Proud to deliver

THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S INTERNATIONAL AWARD



Yr 9 Duke of Ed Camp 2019

Yr 9 students will be attending the Duke of Ed Bronze Award Camp from Monday 9th September to Friday 13th September 2019 at Camp Somerset. Permission notes were issued to students in June, and are due on 9th August 2019.

The Duke of Ed Award is a leading structured (non-formal education) youth development program, empowering all young Australians aged 14-24 to explore their full potential and find their purpose, passion and place in the world, regardless of their location or circumstance. The Award is a fully inclusive program and has no social, political, or religious affiliations.

Through this challenging journey of self-discovery, students:

- Are equipped and empowered to achieve their personal best
- Learn to take responsibility for their goals and choices
- Become connected to and actively engaged within their immediate community
- Make a real difference to society through their positive contributions and involvement
- Learn to persevere and overcome barriers to success
- Learn important life skills
- Increase their career opportunities.

As per all other camps, our expectation is that all Year 9 students are to attend the camp as we believe it is a worthwhile experience.

Information about the running of the camp at Camp Somerset is enclosed for your reference. Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the award leader, Mr Iaconis.



Bronze Expeditions Overview

dukes@campsomerset.com.au

The Bronze Expeditions are the beginning of the passage through the Duke of Edinburgh Adventurous Journeys. The Preliminary Training and Bronze Expeditions are important in laying the foundations of basic navigation, campcraft and team skills to build on throughout the following Silver and Gold levels. Skills learnt and experiences gained are also valuable to students as they emerge from adolescence to adulthood.

Bronze Preliminary Training

The Preliminary Training is conducted at Somerset Base on the first day and covers areas essential for safety and general well-being whilst on expedition. Some areas covered include: planning and preparation of an expedition; navigation; basic first aid; food, water and equipment requirements; and campcraft. Students will learn how to repack their gear correctly and will complete a route plan on the first day in preparation for the following expedition.



Practice Expedition

Our aim at Somerset is to provide an open environment in which the students gain a solid base of knowledge and skills, which can then be further built upon at the Silver level. The Bronze Practice Expedition will take the fundamentals learnt during the Preliminary Training and ground them in a real-time experience. The students start their Practice Hike mid-morning on the second day after finalising their Training. Students are given roles throughout the expedition to improve on the skills they learn during the Training and the Group Leader gives lessons and training along the way. When they reach their campsite they are involved in a session that covers all aspects of the camping experience.



Qualifying Expedition

The Qualifying or Test Expedition has the aim of allowing students to apply the skills they gained during the Preliminary Training and Practice Expedition in a practical setting. Students are given the responsibility of leadership and ownership of their expedition with the Group Leader being in a position to simply supervise the expedition, assess the application of student's skills and step in only for safety or to get students back on track. Before starting off, a check of equipment and route plans will occur with the expedition beginning directly afterwards.



On the final day, students pack up their campsite and head out onto the last leg of their hike. All students end up back at Somerset Base at the end of their expedition to clean / dry any gear used for the expedition, pack up all equipment neatly and debrief.

Click here: https://www.campsomerset.com.au/images/Somerset/DEAS_Docs/14_Bronze_Expedition_Overview.pdf

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 and Yr 10 and 11 students have 1 year access to a new resource – The Careers Department**
- 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

