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Baulkham Hills High Newsletter





There were many high achievers in the High School Cancer Challenge & Symposium

Cover: Award recipients from the High School Cancer Challenge & Symposium

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From the principal's desk:

Year 11 begin their final examinations today. We wish them well. Year 12 reports were distributed last Friday.

Last Thursday our HSC Music 2 and Music Extension students did their practical examinations for the HSC. All appeared happy and satisfied with their efforts after the challenge. Thank you to Ms Kim for preparing them so well. Our Year 12 Visual Arts works have been packaged ready to be sent to the examination centre. Teachers and families had the opportunity to look at the major works just before they were packed. There is some impressive creative talent in this school.

Students were reminded today about lateness to school and lateness to classes. Often all that is needed is to get a slightly earlier bus or set the alarm a few minutes earlier. Lateness is shown on our reports as partial absences and some students have a very high number of these.

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 <u>www.baulkhamhillshighschool.com.au</u>

Week 9
Monday 16 September
- Y11 Yearly Examinations 16/9 to 27/9 incl.
- Support Únit McMasters Shield – all day (Luttringer)
Tuesday 17 September
Wednesday 18 September
Thursday 19 September
Friday 20 September
Week 10
Monday 23 September
- Y11 Yearly Examinations 16/9 to 27/9 incl.
Tuesday 24 September
- P&C General Meeting 7.30pm
- Y12 Picnic Day Bobbin Head (Milne/Zhu)
Wednesday 25 September
Thursday 26 September
- Y8 Commerce Final Exam in class 8SSA P1 (Dumas), 8SSL P6 (laconis)
8SSO P8 (Mogoko)
Friday 27 September
- Y12 Graduation
- Y11 Welfare Afternoon P7&8 (Gyenge)
Term 4
Week 1
Monday 14 October
Tuesday 15 October
- Y10 & Y11 Scripture Seminar P3&4
- 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
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Some students sleep-in because they have been up late playing games on the computer. If they are planning to use the report to apply for a job or a scholarship it does not present the most positive view of the student and makes them look unreliable.

It was with great pleasure that I attended the ceremony at the Sydney Town Hall for the awarding of Gold Duke of Edinburgh Awards to two of our Year 12 students, Harish Jeyaruban and Natalie Tseung. The presentation marked the 60th year of the Duke of Edinburgh Awards in Australia and Prince Edward, the Earl of Wessex was present at the event.

Congratulations to:

- Lior Yoffe who won the UNSW Cancer Competition;
- The seven students who gained places in the CHS Athletics (listed elsewhere);
- Our newly elected Sports House captains; and
- Our Tournament of the Minds team who came second in NSW.

Jeanne Bathgate

Preferred option for fees is to <u>pay online</u>

Parents are reminded to pay all school fees online Please check our website for instructions

Fields marked with a **red asterix** (*) on form are mandatory

Please note:- Payment for excursions must be made <u>before 6pm</u> the day before due date on permission note

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Baulko News				
2020 HOUSE CAPTAINS				
HOUSE	CAPTAIN	VICE CAPTAIN		
HUGHES	ALAN LI	ANTHONY HAN		
	GINA LI	YENNY LOW		
MACDOUGALL	CHAPMAN TAI	VAHIN RAVI		
	ERINA MAI	SUSHANNA LU		
SUTTOR	TYLER YE	FELIX WONG		
	JESSIE WONG	FELICITY YE		
MEEHAN	VASU BANSAL	GIRISH GANAPATHY		
	MELANI GUNAWARDANA	LORIN BEKTAS		
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Baulkham Hills High School has a new phone app!

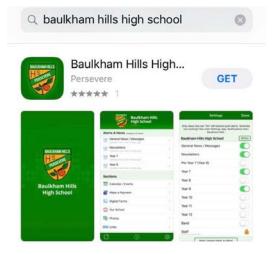
The school mobile app is used to send parents important notices, make forms available electronically and a place to find out school information. To download the new phone app developed by school Enews, follow these instructions:

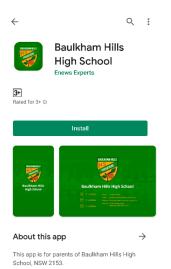
iPhone and iPad Users

- 1) Press App Store icon on your device
- 2) Press Search and type in "Baulkham Hills High School"
- 3) Press "Get", the app will download
- 4) Press "Open" and accept "push alerts"
- 5) Configure "Push Alerts" see instructions below

Android Users

- 1) Press Play Store icon on your device
- 2) Press magnifying glass and type in "Baulkham Hills High School"
- 3) Press "Install", the app will download
- 4) Press "Open"
- 5) Configure "Push Alerts" see instructions below





Configure Push Alerts

- 1) Press the "Settings / Cog" icon
- 2) Ensure General News / Messages is set to on, to receive important updates from the school then press done.

Any old Baulkham Hills High School phone apps on your device can be removed.

More updates to the app will be coming over the following months.



Band News

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

- Europe Tour 2021 expression of interests forms to be returned either in the band letterbox or email <u>eurobaulkoban2021@gmail.com</u>. Closing date is 30th Sept.
- 2. **Stage Band Cafe Performance** on Sunday Sept 29th from 12:30 pm 2:30 pm Outdoor performance at Glenorie cafe and Bakery.
- 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:

- Stage Band Café Performance Sunday, 29th September
- Europe Tour 2021 expression of interest 30th September
- Orchestra Workshop Sunday, 27th Oct
- Beginner Band Recital Wednesday 27th November
- Band Auditions 30th November

The Band Committee





Year 9 Duke of Ed Camp 2019

It's 7:30am, Monday, September 9. Students are turning up to the shed, loaded with bags beyond measure, and yawning. Since when were early starts for high school students? Unfortunately, the coming week yielded even earlier wake-up times.

Year 9 students doing the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award embarked on their adventurous journey, hosted by Camp Somerset, which was a hike up and down some hills. Easy, right?

Over the course of five days, we were to navigate through parts of the Blue Mountains, near Colo, to various campsites scattered over 400 acres; campsites of the Somerset Outdoor Learning Centre.



Upon our arrival on Monday, we unloaded our baggage and underwent preliminary training. We were also enlightened about the art of packing a pack, how to set up a tent and about many features of the bush. We were prepared for the next four days in the bush.













Tuesday we embarked on our practice hike. We navigated to reach a series of points, until we reached our campsite. Along the way, we explored many trails, viewed many vistas and experienced the bush before settling down for the night at a campsite that was a far walk from our starting point. Wednesday saw us finish the practice hike, and returning to base camp for a repack and a lesson in using compasses.











Wednesday evening served dinner with a twist. *My Kampsite Rules* (Camp Somerset's off-brand *My Kitchen Rules*) saw us divided into small groups to cook a dish based on a certain cuisine, with the group leaders conducting a taste and cleaning (food tech anyone?) test, before pronouncing a winner. While Mr Iaconis didn't lend his expertise in Italian cooking, we all enjoyed eating the various dishes.



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The qualifying hike (really, the one that would test us) began early Thursday morning. Did I mention that students (myself included) have an adverse reaction to the word 'test'? While we were navigating the same terrain, the route had different start and end points as opposed to the practice hike, and was more difficult. Whilst there were similar natural features, and some familiar points along the way, we generally explored more of Wollemi National Park as we climbed up and down hills.







As Friday dawned, it was time for the home run. Or rather, home hike. We had to make it back to base camp, pack all our gear back into our bags and say our goodbyes before the bus departed at 1:30pm, carting us all back to school.





While all of us can agree that there was pain along the way, the experiences that we gained will stay with us for life. The many geographical features we learnt about, the navigational skills we gained, the friendships forged, the memories created, and most importantly, improvements in our physical fitness all made this camp one to cherish. On behalf of everyone who came on this camp, I wish to thank the teachers for donating their time to be with us during this adventurous journey.

Aniket Sinha (Yr 9)





Schools Spectacular Spoken Word Poetry - Diya Goswami

At the end of last term, Diya Goswami in Year 10 submitted a video audition of a spoken word poem she wrote and performed to the Schools Spectacular selection committee. The poem was to be two minutes in length, and had to address the theme of "Environmental Change" in an interesting and original way. After a long wait, Diya has received word that she is one of only two students selected to perform her poem at Schools Spectacular - either on the main stage or as part of the pre-show performance called "SpecFest". The applications were open to students from across the state, and the standard of poems was reportedly very high.

Before she finds out her final performance time, Diya will attend two workshops with a professional spoken word poet - one in Week 10 this term, and one in Week 1 next term. This in itself is a fantastic opportunity. On top of this, Diya will be the first student from Baulko to take part in Schools Spectacular in a number of years.

This is an extremely significant achievement, and Diya should be very proud of herself. An achievement like this is the product of effort, dedication, and perseverance, and she will do the school proud in representing us in front of a live and televised audience in November this year.

If you see Diya around, please wish her luck and congratulate her!

Congratulations Diya!

Mr Poole





Tournament of Minds

NSW State Finals (15 September 2019)

Yesterday a team of seven lovely ladies from BHHS represented the Sydney West Region at the NSW State Finals for Tournament of Minds. There were 63 teams competing from all across the state yesterday, making it a very competitive setting.



The State Finals is very different to the Regional Finals, where teams are required to solve an unseen challenge, which would normally take 6 weeks for Regionals, but they are given only 3 hours at State. These challenges are difficult and are designed to separate the best teams from the rest of the pack. On Sunday, the standard was set very high, I witnessed some excellent teams perform, and I am glad to say that our team was among them.

The challenge yesterday was very difficult, with the girls being asked to come up with a creative way to preserve culture and memory, create original songs, original dances and an original artwork, and learn their 10 minute performance all within a 3 hour lock down period. This was a very big ask, but these girls did an amazing job – presenting a performance that reflected their sophistication, ingenuity and creativity, a performance that was unique and set them apart from other schools.



I am very proud to announce that this team placed **second** in the state for their efforts yesterday. They were the only team in the Sydney West region to place in the State Final, making it a huge accomplishment in what was a very challenging competition. It is very difficult to place in the State Finals, so I am immensely proud of what these girls have achieved.

These girls have worked tirelessly, every single day since they won the regional finals two weeks ago. They have shown the meaning of teamwork, perseverance and resilience through their relentless efforts and support of each other. I am very proud to be their coach and I am very proud of each one of them.

Congratulations to the 2nd Place Winners at the NSW State Tournament of Minds Finals 2019:

Crystal Deng, Riya Jani, Meera Gandhi, Rhecha Pathak, Shivani Sujay, Naaz Bareja and Megan Lingayath.



I look forward to the Tournament of Minds season in 2020! What a great year it has been!

Ms Terryanne Fletcher

TOM Facilitator





BHHS Chess Report - 2019

The 2019 "chess season" is finally over! This year, a record 13 teams competed in the Metropolitan Secondary Schools Competition, in the Metropolitan West division. Several of these teams were made up of Year 7 students, which bodes well for the future of chess at BHHS.

Following the seven-week regular season in Term 2, three Baulkham Hills teams emerged as divisional winners and therefore qualified for the Met West finals. The Junior A team (Dhwani Patel, Shivam Pant, Jonathan Yap, Judy Huang) were unfortunate to be drawn against the strong James Ruse A team in their semi-final, and went down by a narrow 2.5-1.5 margin. The Intermediate A team (Vasu Bansal, Winston Zhao Chen, Toshiki Norimura, Frank Zhang) went one better, brushing aside Penrith 4-0 in the semi-final to reach the Met West final. There they faced their familiar rivals James Ruse, and were eliminated on countback after a 2-2 tie.

The Senior B team of Bing Rong Jiang, Max Sun, Jason Tan and Royce Zeng went one better still: in the Met West final, they defeated a strong Girraween team (which included the NSW Junior Champion, Cameron McGowan) to become Met West champions! They also won their first inter-region final against Knox 2.5-1.5 before going down to Sydney Grammar - again by the familiar 2.5-1.5 score line - in the Metropolitan Sydney final. Congratulations to all three teams.

Two BHHS teams also took part in the annual Secondary Schools One-Day Tournament (the Terrey Shaw Shield), which took place on Sunday 15 September. The Junior team, *pictured below left* (Winston Zhao Chen, Dhwani Patel, Jonathan Yap) finished fourth in a strong field, and the Open team, *pictured below right* (Bing Rong Jiang, Royce Zeng, Jason Tan) came sixth after a slow start.





It has been a pleasure and a privilege to watch the BHHS chess brigade in action this year. Here's to further successes in 2020!

Michael Salter, Chess co-ordinator



CHS Athletics Carnival

Over the course of 4-6 September, the CHS Athletics carnival was held at Homebush Athletics centre. Baulkham Hills High School students who qualified achieved some absolutely outstanding results, including three of our students collecting medals for their events. The list of student achievements is as follows:

Jessie Wong

5th place 100m (15 years girls) 7th place 200m (15 years girls) 2nd place 90m Hurdles (15 years girls) 1st place 200m Hurdles (15 years girls) 2nd place Long Jump (15 years girls)

Elena Koudasheva

3rd place 1500m (17 years girls) 4th place 3000m (17 years girls) 1st place 2000m steeple chase (17 years girls)

Neelesh Shrestha

9 place 100m (13 years boys) 4th place 90m Hurdles (13 years boys)

Isaac Bamgbose

3rd place 100m (15 years Boys) 6th place 200m (15 years boys)

<u>Chapman Tai</u>

9th place 800m (15 years boys)

Aaron Taylor

8th place High Jump (15 years boys)

<u>Jasper Wu</u>

10th place Long Jump (14 years boys)

We congratulate these students on their fantastic achievements, as well as representing BHHS with pride.

WELL DONE!!



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

Your Recreational Sport selection can only be made online at <u>www.schoolinterviews.com.au</u> 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: <u>http://baulkhamhillshighschool.com.au/</u> 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



Careers News

Resources for parents

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

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

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

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)
- <u>Online Careers Portfolios</u> can be built via the Study Work Grow website (see info below)
- Students and parents can access the <u>Study Work Grow</u> 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 <u>The Careers</u> <u>Department</u>
- Please see the <u>Careers</u> page on the school website for an overview of the Careers Program

Updates for parents of Year 10 students

- Work Experience FAQs and form (<u>Student Placement Record</u>) 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 <u>Steps to Uni for Year 10 Students</u> (online and hard copies) and new online tool (<u>Subject Compass</u>) have been shared with students to assist with the subject selection process
- All Year 10 students have access to the <u>Online Study Hacks Masterclass</u> (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 <u>Online Study Hacks Masterclass</u> (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 <u>timeline</u> has been sent to students)
- Year 12 students can use the UAC online tool <u>Course Compass</u> 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



Scholarships for future teachers are now open

The NSW Department of Education is offering a range of scholarship opportunities for high achieving students entering teacher education degrees after their HSC. Applications are now open for 2020 scholarships for future teachers.

The scholarship programs for future teachers offer a range of benefits, including financial support whilst studying and a guaranteed permanent teaching position in a NSW public school on successful completion of studies.

The scholarship programs for future teachers include:

- Teacher Education Scholarships
- Teacher Education Scholarships Aboriginal
- teach. Rural Scholarships

teach.MathsNOW Scholarships are now open https://www.teach.nsw.edu.au/getpaidtostudy/teachmathsnow

Parents and carers, this is for you. Do you know an industry professional or current university student in a career area requiring tertiary studies in mathematics - for example, in engineering, accounting, finance or IT - who would make a great secondary mathematics teacher? The <u>teach.MathsNOW Scholarship</u> offers an opportunity to change career path and retrain as a mathematics teacher in a NSW public school.

teach.MathsNOW scholars will receive up to \$50,000 in equivalent upfront course contribution fees, paid part-time employment during studies and a guaranteed permanent teaching position in a NSW public school on successful completion.

To find out more about these and other great opportunities, please visit the <u>teach.NSW</u> website and follow the teach.NSW social channels (<u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, <u>Twitter</u>).



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: <u>https://www.trybooking.com/BEQJW</u>
- 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 <u>Other Event's</u> (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.**

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MATINEE ON SATURDAY 2-5PM (TERM 4 WEEK 1)

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