

Baulkham Hills High Newsletter

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From the principal's desk:

Welcome to Week 10 and the last week of term. It is also my last week at Baulko and my last newsletter. But I am not alone! Also finishing up this week is Mr Marijan Maricic, the HT of TAS. He is moving into retirement and we wish him well for the future – lots of golf on the horizon. We are also saying farewell to Mr Brett McDonnell, the HT of PDHPE. He is going into the private system as a HT and we wish him well with his new venture. Also moving on is Mr Fidel Koksai, PDHPE teacher and former Year 12 Adviser. He is taking up a promotion to HT at North Sydney Girls High. Congratulations on this achievement. (Photos below in Baulko News)

Our week is full of Recognition Assemblies (four in two days) and handing out end of year reports. Sadly, because of COVID, parents are not able to join us this year for the Recognition Assemblies. Hopefully things will return to normal in 2021. Many students are enjoying class parties or end of year celebrations but it is difficult to enjoy these and remain COVID safe. Students will finish the school year on Wednesday and staff finish on Friday. The HSC results and

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14 December 2020



Calendar 2020

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 10
Monday 14 December - Y7 Recognition Assembly - Y8 Recognition Assembly - Y10 Peer Support Training Evening 3.30pm-7pm (Iaconis) - Y11 English Ext1 Film Viewing P3-6 (Arblaster/Srnic)
Tuesday 15 December - Y10 Recognition Assembly - Y9 Recognition Assembly
Wednesday 16 December - Students Final Day of School
Thursday 17 December - School Development Day – Staff Only
Friday 18 December - School Development Day – Staff Only

Term 1, 2021

Week 1
Tuesday 26 January Australia Day Public Holiday
Wednesday 27 January - School Development Day – Staff Only
Thursday 28 January - School Development Day – Staff Only
Friday 29 January - Year 7, Y11, Year 10 Peer Support & Year 12 commence
Saturday 30 January – Cadet on-line registration begins (Iaconis)
Week 2
Monday 1 February - Year 8, Year 9, Year 10 commence - Y11 O Day (Fletcher) - Y7 O Day (Fletcher)
Tuesday 2 February - Y11 O Day (Fletcher) - Y7 O Day (Fletcher)
Wednesday 3 February - Y8-11 Grade Sport Trials Pds 6-8 Rec Sport Selections (Filewood)
Thursday 4 February - Y7-12 School Photo Day (Riley)
Friday 5 February - SRC Planning Day (Khan/Mudaliar)
Week 3
Monday 8 February
Tuesday 9 February
Wednesday 10 February - Yrs7-12 School Swimming Carnival (Filewood)
Thursday 11 February - Yrs7-12 School Photo Catch Up Day P3-8 (Riley) - All Cadets (no recruits) first parade after school (Iaconis)
Friday 12 February - Yrs7-12 Sydney West Boys Volleyball (Filewood) - Valentines Day SRC (Khan/Mudaliar)

ATARs will be released on Friday this week so we hope Year 12 will be back to visit their teachers and share their news on this day.

2021 will start with some significant changes. There will be no replacement for my position until later in Term 1 or even Term 2. Mr Wayne Humphreys will be acting Principal for Weeks 1 – 5 and if the vacancy continues Ms Megan Clarke will be acting Principal for Weeks 6 – 10. Ms Lisa Greenlees will step up as relieving Deputy Principal for the term. Ms Sandy Renwick will fill in for the HT PDHPE until that position is filled. Mr Owen Egan will fill in as HT Teaching and Learning for Ms Greenlees.

I have been fortunate to be principal for the past 13 years at Baulko and have loved every minute of it. Our students are simply amazing and a joy to work with. I love their energy and enthusiasm; their talents and skills; their leadership and sense of responsibility. The staff have been committed and hard working with everyone stepping above their basic role description to offer other avenues in which the students can shine and experience new opportunities. Our parents have been an integral part of our team and aided and supported the school to make sure the students benefit from so many opportunities. Thank you all. Special thanks to my deputies, Wayne and Megan, who have backed me and supported me through every decision and every activity. I know the school is in good hands.

Please enjoy a safe and happy holiday with family and friends.

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Jeanne Bathgate
Principal



Baulko News

Principal's Desk Continued

Congratulations to:

- Frank Zhang who has been selected to take part in the National Mathematics Summer School. Usually this would take place at ANU but because of COVID the Summer School will be virtual in January.
- Our Year 9 Girls Volleyball team are state champions.
- Our Year 9 Boys Volleyball team are state champions.

Jeanne Bathgate, Principal



Dr Jeanne Bathgate
Principal



Mr Marijan Maricic
HT, TAS



Mr Brett McDonnell
HT, PD/H/PE



Mr Fidel Koksai
PD/H/PE

Band News

As band finishes for 2020, we wanted to thank again the students, teachers, conductors and parents for an unprecedented year.

Special mention to the Year 12 students for their talents and many years of contributions to the Baulko School Band!

The following special performances demonstrate what the band students have been able to achieve and we look forward to even more music in the coming year – they all should be very proud!

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL9jyKEL58-3-_cpGPC2JXogEENRbJKri0

Reminder to Clear Lockers

If you have not already done so, please clean out and remove all padlocks on lockers. Any remaining lockers not cleared by Wednesday 16 December will have padlocks removed (cut).

Band Auditions

We completed band auditions for 2021 on Saturday 12 December, thank you to all students who participated and the wonderful helpers who made the day run so smoothly. There were nearly 90 auditions to get through.

Thanks again to:

- Panjan Nagaratnam, Bindu George, Amelia Clark, Elin Wie, Eva Au, Evete Fernandes
- Conductors: Ms Yvonne Brown, Dr Steve Clark, Dr Luis Madrid, Mr Alvin Mak

Thank you for your dedication and commitment to the Baulko Band Mr Panjan Nagaratnam

On behalf of the Band Committee, conductors, band students, parents and teachers; we want to say a very Big Thank You to Mr Nagaratnam for his many years of service, tireless work and leadership in the band as he finishes this year as President of the Band Committee. He has truly been a pivotal part of the band and we are grateful for all his contributions.

Well that is a wrap for 2020!

Wishing all a very safe, healthy Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

We will see you all next year!

The Band Committee

Year 10 Textiles Technology - Costumes

The Year 10 Textiles Technology class have been studying the 'Costume' unit and have constructed excellent costumes this semester. All students selected their own pattern and drew inspiration from either fictional characters, traditional historical era or contemporary costumes. This was a challenging project but all students learnt many new skills and gained independence. I am so delighted to see the fantastic results the class produced and very proud of their creativity and dedication over the past 2 years. Well done to all our Textiles Technology students. You should all be very proud of your work!

Ms Payne

Textiles Technology Teacher



14 December 2020



Year 10 Food Technology Excursion to China Town

Our day started with a trip to the city where we walked and sampled many food and beverages along the way. Students were given a Food Safari Challenge list to complete during the excursion. Students were asked to take photos of a variety of food related challenges and presented them to the teacher for a prize. I am always impressed with the way our students conduct themselves in public. I wish them all the very best for their senior years. After teaching Year 10 for the past 2 years I can say I will very much miss them.

Mrs Parnell

Stage 5 Food Technology Teacher



Year 7 Writing Award

Congratulations to Tanishkaa Ramesh who won the Lionel Bowen Young Writers Competition. Tanishkaa submitted a poem called "Through the Wardrobe", an imaginative poem that explored contemporary social issues. She received a \$300 voucher.

Mrs Eisermann

Christmas Cupcake Decorating 'Food For Special Occasions'

Thirty eight Year 9 Food Technology students embarked on a Christmas Cupcake decorating incursion where they were taught how to use fondant and a range of cake decorating equipment. At the conclusion of the day there was a Christmas cupcake decorating competition. Ms Payne and Mrs Parnell were very impressed with our students creations. Well done Year 9 we are super proud of you.

Ms Payne and Mrs Parnell
Food Technology Teachers



Arts Unit LEGACY PUBLIC SPEAKING AWARD

Recently two Year 9 students, Krishi RAGHUPATHI and Tasmia ALI competed in the Legacy Public Speaking competition run by The Arts Unit. This year, the competition was quite different as it was all conducted over Zoom.

Tasmia was successful in making it through to both the Regional then State finals, competing against students from other comprehensive, selective and private schools. The topic of her speech was 'Echo Chambers' and was an interesting discussion on the manipulative powers of social media. In addition, she had to present an impromptu speech on a given topic.

Congratulations to Tasmia on her success in this highly prestigious public speaking competition.



RECREATIONAL SPORT COSTS Term 1 - 2021 **(7 weeks) for Years 8-11**

Venue	Sport	Cost
Anytime Fitness Old Northern Road Baulkham Hills	<i>GYM 26</i>	\$56
The Edge Castle Hill Rock Climbing	<i>ROCK CLIMBING 26</i>	\$105
The Centre 1 Petit Lane Dural	<i>FUTSAL 55</i>	\$92
Fred Caterson Tennis Castle Hill	<i>TENNIS 55</i>	\$92
Hills Stadium Fred Caterson, Caste Hill	<i>BASKETBALL 55</i> <i>(17/2 & 3/3 COURTS NA)</i>	\$75
FUTSAL INSTITUTE 32 Stoddard Road Prospect	<i>FUTSAL & NINJA 101 COURSE</i>	\$105
AUSTRALIAN TABLE TENNIS ACADEMY Annangrove Road Annangrove	<i>TABLE TENNIS 55</i>	\$92
Castle Hill Indoor Sports Anella Avenue Castle Hill	<i>INDOOR SOCCER 26</i>	\$116
Baulkham Hills Indoor Sports Hills Street Baulkham Hills	<i>SQUASH 24</i>	\$56
School – TLC	<i>YOGA</i>	\$10
Baulkham Hills Area	<i>WALKING</i>	No Charge
Baulkham Hills High Drama Room	<i>THEATRE SPORTS</i> <i>New in 2021</i>	No Charge

Your Recreational Sport selection **can only be made online at** <https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/>

The code for Term 1 is: **pcpnm**

The site will be open for use **Wednesday 3RD February at 7:30pm** and close **Thursday 4th February at 7:30pm**. Site may also close early if bookings are completed.

After you have made your selection payments are made online at: <https://baulkham-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/> and must be received by Friday 12th February (no student registration number or invoice number is needed for online payments. (Select the item 'sport' as the payment type)

Numbers are limited in all sports apart from walking. This is due to venue restrictions, availability of instructors & bus limitations. Only online registration will get you a place in your chosen sport. Payments made without online registration will not give you a place in that sport. All students doing walking will meet in the shed on Wednesday 10th February at the end of lunch to allocate teachers. Please still register online for walking to help us with understanding our numbers.





CLLA (HAPPY MILES) Chinese Language School

2021 ENROLMENT NOTICE

千里中文学校2021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, we endeavor to provide quality teaching and learning opportunities.

Our current classes are on Saturdays and Sundays. Additional classes can be scheduled for weekday afternoons and via ZOOM. Students can enroll at any time throughout the school term. For inquiries, please email **cilaau9@gmail.com** or text **0403816959**.

Our teacher Sun Lao Shi has a BA degree in Chinese and Postgraduate Diploma in Education. Our teacher Du Lao Shi has a Master of Teaching in Early Childhood. Both have Community Language Teaching Certificates and over 10 years of teaching experience. All of our teachers and volunteers have undergone the 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和教育专业的学历，也有丰富的教中文的经验。

主要教室地址：Baulkham Hills High School. 同时提供ZOOM 网课。

主要上课时间：周六下午2-4点。ZOOM 上课时间需要协商。

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。

Baulkham Hills High School – Situational Analysis 2020 – Community (Parent and Carer) and Student Survey

Dear Members of the BHHS Community,

The NSW Department of Education has recently introduced a new planning model for all schools. This is called the School Excellence in Action model.

Currently, our school is completing a Situational Analysis. This is a rigorous and authentic assessment of our school's current state, and will be used to inform our school's improvement journey in learning, teaching and leading.

The questions in the survey are designed to elicit a broad response from stakeholders – to assist in providing an overview of the school in a range of areas. The results of this survey will contribute to the BHHS School Improvement Plan for 2021 to 2024. Each survey should take approximately 10 to 15 minutes to complete.

- Community Survey – for parents and carers - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BHHSSA2020Community>
- Student Survey – for BHHS students - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BHHSSAStudent2020>

Thank you for your time in contributing to the future directions of Baulkham Hills High School.

J. Bathgate
Principal

Procedure for Early Leavers

If a student needs to leave school early, they must provide a note from their parent/guardian giving reasons for their partial absence. **The student needs to get the note signed by a Deputy Principal before school and hand into the office by 8.30am where they will be issued an early leave pass.** The student can then present the pass to their teacher and leave school at the time advised on their early leave pass.

Senior Students with **Early Study Leave** permission should sign out at the office before leaving School.



Baulkham Hills High School

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE TAKEN ON:

Thursday 4 February 2021 and Thursday 11 February 2021

**ORDER NOW go to www.advancedlife.com.au and enter the code
M8W XEH MBB**

Dear Parents,

School photographs are scheduled to be taken by *advancedlife*. Whilst an envelope and flyer will be distributed shortly, if possible it is our preference that ordering be completed online to reduce administration and potential security issues related to the return of cash and envelopes on photo day.

Orders for packages and sibling photographs can be placed securely online at www.advancedlife.com.au using our school's unique 9 digit advancedorder code. Portrait and group package orders are due by photography day.

Should you wish to purchase a sibling photograph online, the order must be placed no later than the day before photography day. Sibling photographs will only be taken if an order has been placed.

Should you have any queries concerning school photographs or online ordering, please direct them via email to enquiries@advancedlife.com.au

Procedure for Sick Students

Students who are sick in class should see a teacher for written permission to go to sick bay. They must go to sick bay (which is in the Front Office) and follow instructions from the office staff, who will contact a parent/guardian when necessary. Sick bay is used for a short time only. Students should not call their parents first. Please be advised the school does not supply any medication (panadol).

Careers News – Term 4

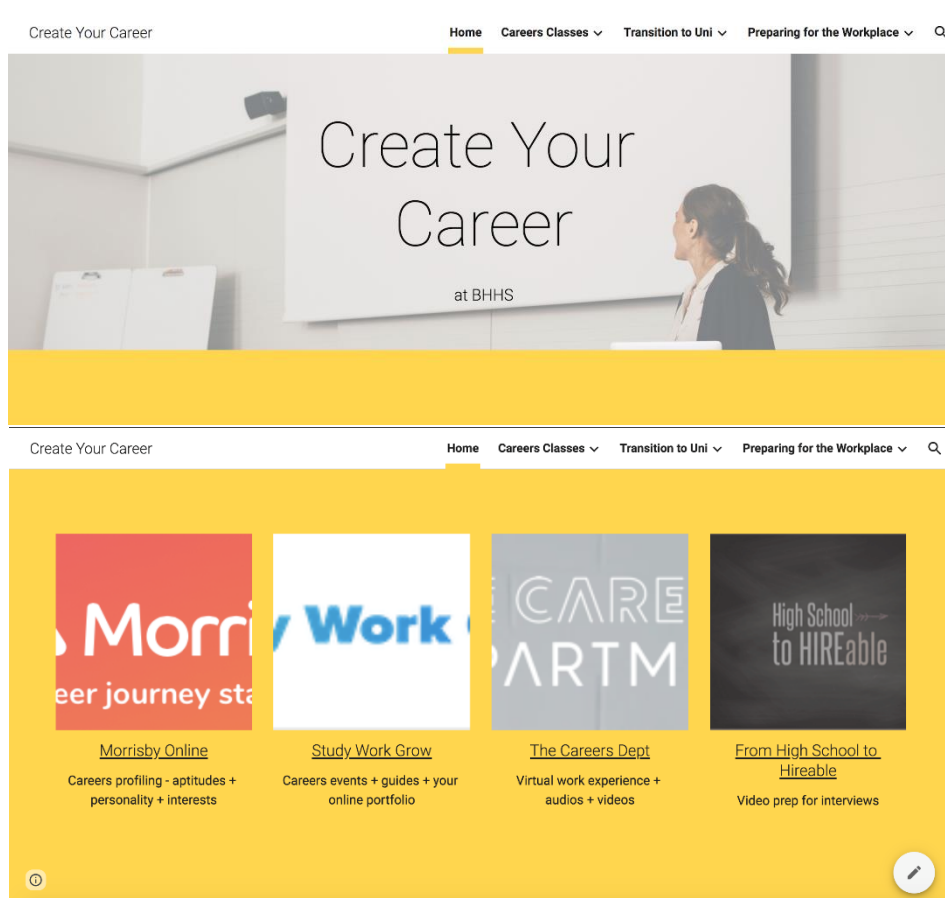
Due to the increasing volume of Careers info in 2020, a new Google Site (**Create Your Career at BHHS**) has been created along with a new corresponding Google Classroom for regular updates. Students can access this content via their @bhhs Google accounts. To help your child with their career development process, please see this link: <https://myfuture.edu.au/assist-your-child>

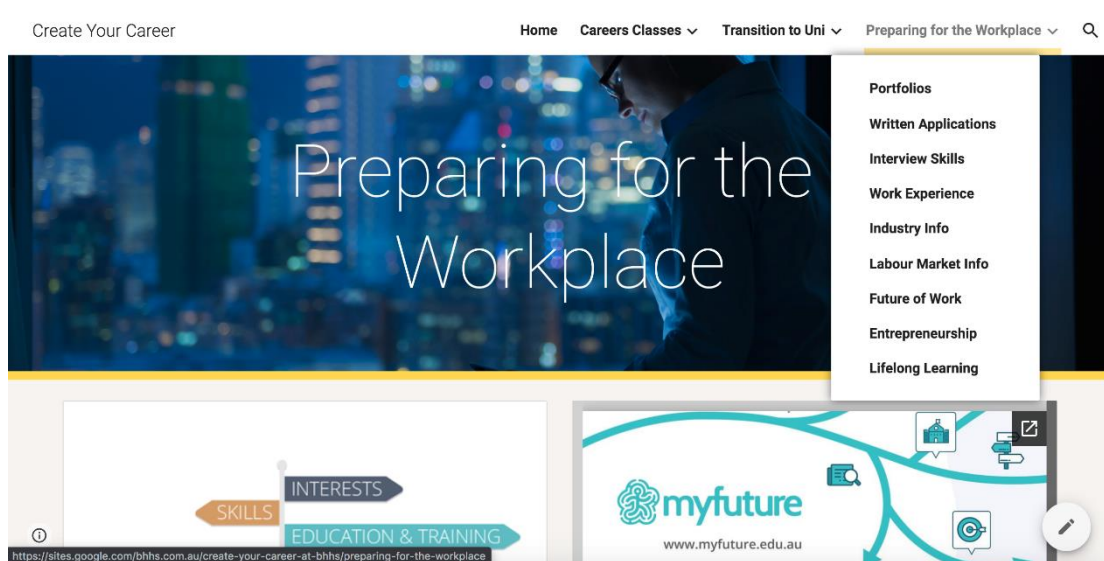
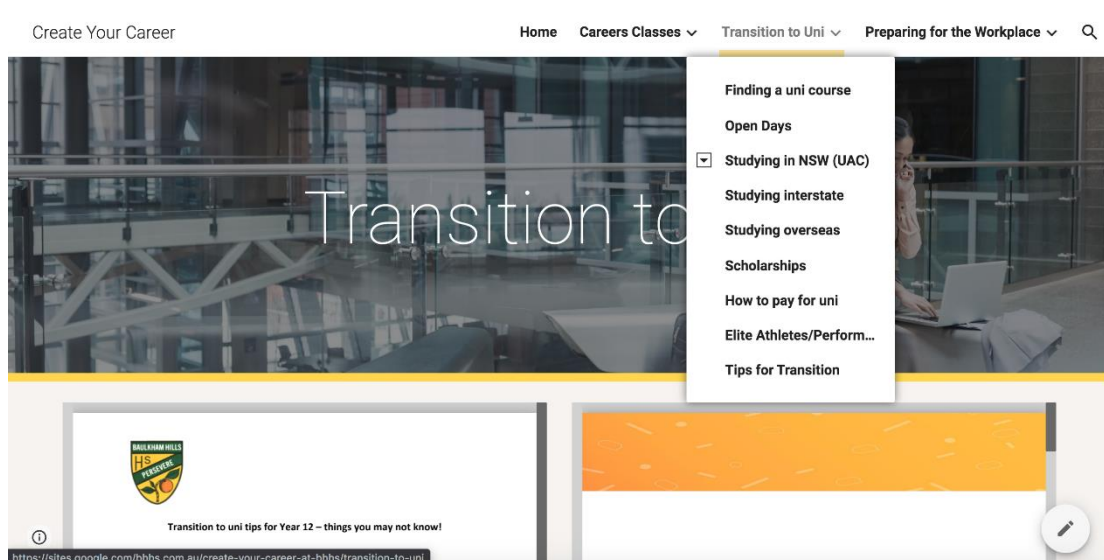
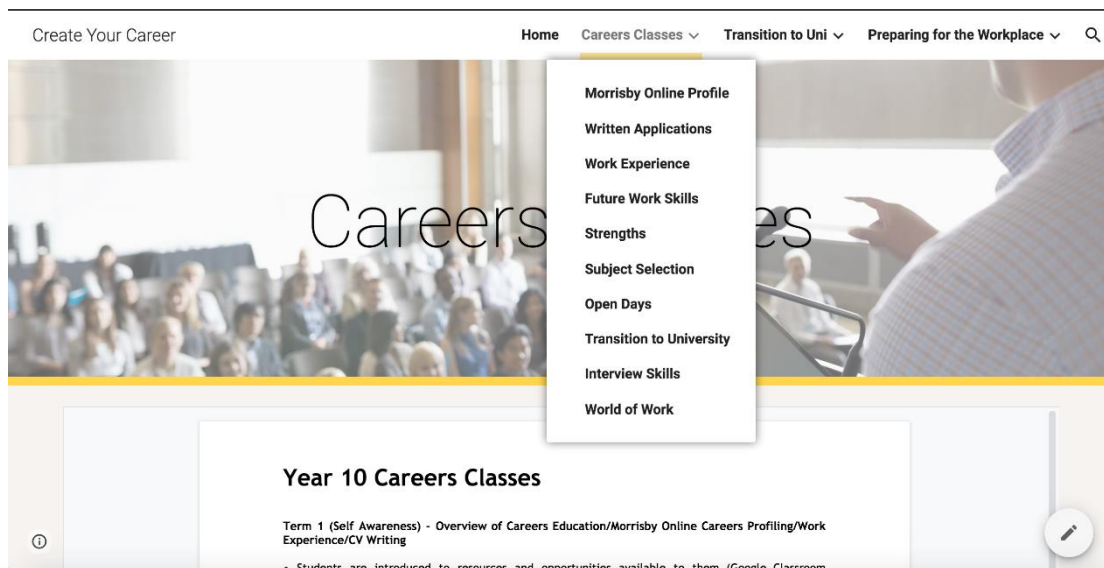
From the homepage, students can access all their subscription resources:

- Morrisby Online Career Profiling (aptitudes, personality, interests)
- Career Central (Career Management software)
- Study Work Grow (guides, updates, portfolio)
- The Careers Department (virtual work experience, audios, videos)
- From High School to Hireable (coming 2021 – online interview skills course)
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As well as content on Careers Classes, Transition to Uni and the Workforce, students have easy access to useful tools:

- Book a Careers appointment spreadsheet
- Careers Checklists
- Uni speakers at BHHS
- Year 12 Deadlines


















myfuture has a new look!

Informed by feedback from users and experts, myfuture's updated website continues to provide access to high-quality and reliable career information from official sources, but its tools and resources have been restructured to make them easier to explore. A number of new features have also been introduced, including a 'My Favourites' section, glossary terms and tips to help students uncover new information and options.

As a government-funded service, myfuture provides free online resources and tools to support students to develop self-knowledge for career decision-making.

myfuture's personalised features assist young Australians to explore how their values, interests and skills relate to a wide range of career options and vocational and higher education pathways.

-  Complete [My career profile](#) activities
-  Use [Career bullseyes](#) to learn about career pathways related to school learning areas
-  Explore over [350 occupations](#)
-  Discover higher education and vocational education and training (VET) [courses](#)
-  Access important [industry information](#), including employment prospects
-  Get tips and tricks by reading real-life [career stories](#)
-  Read [career articles](#) to discover practical information to support career exploration
-  Learn more about educational [institutions](#) and study options
-  Find out about [organisations](#), career resources, opportunities and career pathways
-  Explore resources for [teachers and career practitioners](#)
-  Begin the conversation about the world of work as a [parent or carer](#)

myfuture also offers targeted resources and professional development opportunities for those who support or influence career choices, such as teachers, career practitioners, parents and carers.

Explore the recent updates: <https://bit.ly/myfuture20>

Symptoms of COVID-19

Symptoms of COVID-19 include

- Fever (37.5 ° or higher)
- cough
- sore/scratchy throat
- shortness of breath
- loss of smell or
- loss of taste.

Other reported symptoms include

- fatigue
- runny nose
- muscle pain
- joint pain
- headache
- diarrhoea
- nausea/vomiting
- loss of appetite.

In more severe cases, infection can cause pneumonia with severe acute respiratory distress.

When COVID-19 symptoms appear

The amount of time between exposure to the virus and the first appearance of symptoms is usually 5 to 6 days, although it may range from 2 to 14 days.

People who might have been in contact with someone who is confirmed to have COVID-19 should [self-isolate](#) for 14 days.

You should prevent the spread of viruses, by keeping your [hands clean](#), not touching your face and [keeping your distance](#) from other people.