

Baulkham Hills High Newsletter

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From the principal's desk:

Welcome to Week 9. We have two year groups out at camps this week, Years 8 and 10. Thank you to all the teachers who are giving up their home comforts to accompany the students for these end of year celebrations and challenges.

Thank you to all the parents who have completed the community survey. So far we have had responses from 157 parents. That is hardly representative of the 1200 students we teach. The survey will close tonight so please try to share your views, even if negative!

Some points that parents have raised in the survey so far are: lack of contact with teachers ; lack of information about curriculum; poor communication with parents; and counsellors not being available for ongoing treatment. Unfortunately, Covid has meant that there has been limited contact between parents and teachers but teachers have been instructed to make telephone contact with any parents where there is a problem with the student. So if you have not heard from the teachers you can assume your child is progressing well.

7 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

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| Week 9 |
| Monday 7 December - Y9 -9A Nihongo Tanken Centre Excursion (Jin) - Y10 Japanese Culture Café P5&6 (Zhu) - Y11 Chemistry Prac Task P7&8 (Scolley) |
| Tuesday 8 December - Y9 Australian Volleyball School Cup) – 8 to 11 December - Y8 Inquisitive Minds. Pds 1-8 - Y10 CT. Critical Thinking Escape Rooms. Recess to Pd8 |
| Wednesday 9 December - Y8 Camp – 9 to 11 December incl. - Y10 Camp – 9 to 11 December incl. - Y9 Australian Volleyball School Cup (NSW) 9/12 to 12/12 incl. - Volunteers Morning Tea |
| Thursday 10 December - Cadets Last Parade Day. After school |
| Friday 11 December - Yr 7/8/9 Reports issued |
| 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

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| 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) |

The curriculum that all schools must follow can be found on the NESA website under Syllabus. From that point each school creates their own programs for teaching and learning.

The school has attempted to keep parents in the loop with communication, using the app, this newsletter, email and Facebook. Specific notes have been sent out regarding camps and excursions. We apologise if this has not been sufficient. The school will begin to use the Parent Portal in Sentral next year.

Our counsellors are for consultation at school, during school hours. They refer students and their families to external counselling services when there is an ongoing issue. They are often a first point of contact and may be the first to identify a problem. They are not here to replace that external counselling service.

The school has selected a new canteen operator for next year. Thank you to the parent representative and the SRC students who provided feedback on the menus. It has been a difficult year to run a business as I am sure many of you know only too well. I will share the operator's name once DET approve the recommended candidate.

Landscaping continues near the Exam Centre with more sandstone blocks in place to work as a retaining wall and double as seating for students. The shed for the bus/uniform shop/cadets is progressing slowly but will be ready for opening at the start of 2021.

Jeanne Bathgate
Principal

Baulko News

PRINCIPAL'S DESK CONTINUED

Congratulations to:

- Jay Jeong for winning the Gold Medal in the Young Historian competition

Jay Jeong
Year 11



Jay Jeong has been selected as a state winner in the National History Challenge. His entry has been deemed best in New South Wales in the Year Level 11-12 category. Ms Thurlow, History

Christmas is coming -
Prefects in Assembly



P&C News

Volunteers: Thank You!

The P&C would like to take this opportunity to thank all our parent volunteers. 2020 has been a tough and challenging year, but your willingness to sacrifice your time and overcome COVID fear to step up and help had made everything so much easier. A very heartfelt thank you goes out to all of you.

The school would normally host a thank you morning tea for our volunteers at this time of the year, but like every other event, we had to cancel it. I have attached below a **Thank You letter** from the school's Senior Executives to all our volunteers. Please join us again next year, I promise we will double-treat you in next year's Thank You Morning Tea. 😊

Years 8-12 and Support Unit Uniform Fitting (5/12)

We thank the following volunteers that came to help with Year 8 and Support Unit uniform fitting on Saturdays (5/12):

Irene Zhang, Hai Rong Duan, Farah Haque, Rama Sekhar, Sekhar Vardhan, Eau Cheng Bak, Ravi Samarasinghe, and Suresh Sureshwaran.

Not forgetting Doreen and Hong for their tireless hard work over the last three weekends. Thank you!

There will be no more fitting sessions. Nevertheless, parents are now able to come and purchase uniforms during normal uniform shop opening hours. (Wednesdays and Fridays, 8-11AM).

Uniform shop will be closed on last week of term. Last day of opening will be on 11 Dec 2020 (Friday).

Reopen on 27 Jan 2021 (Wednesday)

(Please find below photos of the uniform fitting on 5/12. And photos of the 2019 Volunteers' Thank You Morning Tea).

Wishing everyone a safe Christmas and happy holidays! See you in 2021.

Sau Wan Liew
P&C President





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To the P & C Volunteers of Baulkham Hills High School

Dear Volunteers,

It has certainly been an unprecedented year for the students, staff and community of Baulkham Hills High School. The COVID-19 pandemic has placed our society in never before experienced circumstances.

Usually the school would host a thank you morning tea for our volunteers – but again, this is another experience that we have had to alter.

This letter is not as tasty as a nice cake and cup of coffee. However, we wish to offer our heartfelt thanks to you for the wonderful support you have demonstrated for our students, our staff, and our school throughout the year.

Whether it has been assisting as helpers in the uniform shop, preparing and delivering delightful morning teas for our staff, assisting at the last minute with the final working bee prior to lockdown, or just generally supporting our school, thank you for all that you have done.

On behalf of the staff of Baulkham Hills High School, may we wish you a very merry and safe Christmas.

Yours sincerely,

Jeanne Bathgate
Principal

Megan Clarke
Deputy Principal

Wayne Humphreys
Deputy Principal

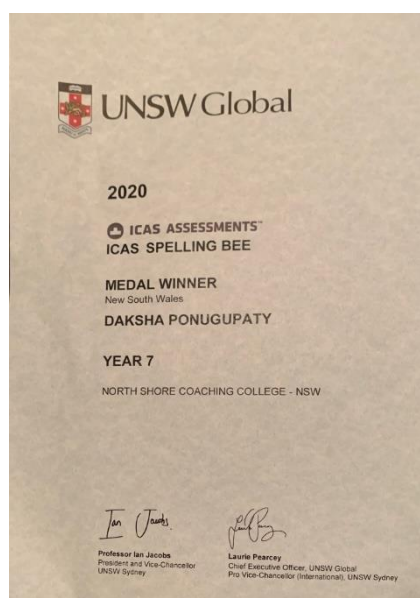
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P&C Uniform shop volunteers at work 5 Dec 2020



ICAS Spelling Medal



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.

Careers News – Term 4

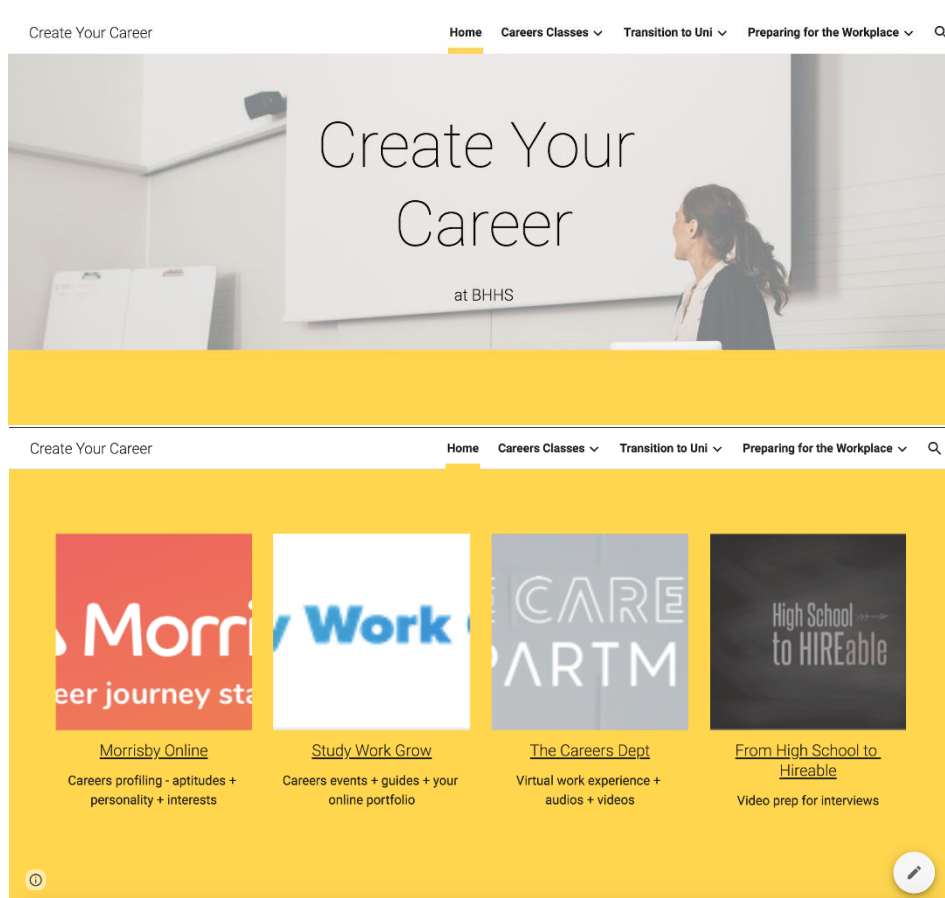
Due to the increasing volume of Careers info in 2020, a new Google Site (**Create Your Career at BHHS**) has been created along with a new corresponding Google Classroom for regular updates. Students can access this content via their @bhhs Google accounts. To help your child with their career development 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



Create Your Career

Home Careers Classes Transition to Uni Preparing for the Workplace

Careers

- Morrisby Online Profile
- Written Applications
- Work Experience
- Future Work Skills
- Strengths
- Subject Selection
- Open Days
- Transition to University
- Interview Skills
- World of Work

Year 10 Careers Classes

Term 1 (Self Awareness) - Overview of Careers Education/Morrisby Online Careers Profiling/Work Experience/CV Writing

Students are introduced to resources and opportunities available to them (Google Classroom)

Create Your Career

Home Careers Classes Transition to Uni Preparing for the Workplace

Transition to

- Finding a uni course
- Open Days
- ☒ Studying in NSW (UAC)
- Studying interstate
- Studying overseas
- Scholarships
- How to pay for uni
- Elite Athletes/Perform...
- Tips for Transition

Transition to uni tips for Year 12 – things you may not know!

<https://sites.google.com/bhhs.com.au/create-your-career-at-bhhs/transition-to-uni>

Create Your Career

Home Careers Classes Transition to Uni Preparing for the Workplace

Preparing for the Workplace

- Portfolios
- Written Applications
- Interview Skills
- Work Experience
- Industry Info
- Labour Market Info
- Future of Work
- Entrepreneurship
- Lifelong Learning

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SKILLS INTERESTS EDUCATION & TRAINING

<https://sites.google.com/bhhs.com.au/create-your-career-at-bhhs/preparing-for-the-workplace>














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.