

Baulkham Hills High Newsletter

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From the principal's desk:

Two of our HSC Visual Arts students, Mengqi Sun and William Zheng, have had their major works **nominated for consideration in ARTEXPRESS**, as part of the HSC Showcase season in 2023. Congratulations to these students for this outstanding recognition of their work.

Last week, three students representing Metropolitan North including Danuli Kankanamge joined their peers from across New South Wales for the **DOVES (Department of Student Voices in Education and Schools) Symposium**. These students have been vocal advocates on a range of issues including the impact of tutoring on youth wellbeing (particularly in Selective Schools), the mechanisms used by the Department to communicate information to students and strategies to reduce barriers to accessing health services. Congratulations to Danuli for her leadership and advocacy in representing the students of NSW in this role.

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14 November 2022



Calendar 2022

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 6
Monday 14 November HSC Geography Fieldwork – Northern Beaches (Filewood)
Tuesday 15 November
Wednesday 16 November Y8-12 New Students 2023 Orientation Day 9am – 10.30am
Thursday 17 November CAPA Showcase 6pm-10pm Y11 Recognition Assembly P3&4
Friday 18 November AFX22 Cadet Camp 18/11 to 22/11 incl.
Week 7
Monday 21 November SRE Seminars – Special Religious Education
Tuesday 22 November AFX22 Cadet Camp 18/11 to 22/11 incl.
Wednesday 23 November Y12 Formal 6pm – 10.30pm
Thursday 24 November Y7 Vaccinations
Friday 25 November Y10 Wellbeing Day
Week 8
Monday 28 November Y11 Assessment Week 28/11-2/12 incl.
Tuesday 29 November Year 6 Orientation Day (year 7 2023)
Wednesday 30 November CAPA 2022 Music Night at Riverside – 6.30pm
Thursday 1 December
Friday 2 December Hills Zone Sport AGM Multi Sports Day – Support Unit Y10 Critical Thinking Excursion
Saturday 3 December – Band Audition Day
Week 9
Monday 5 December Australian Volleyball Schools Cup (Qld) 4/12 – 10/12 incl.
Tuesday 6 December
Wednesday 7 December Term 4 Grade Sport Grand Finals Movie Night – SRC 6.15pm – 9.30pm
Thursday 8 December
Friday 9 December
Week 10
Monday 12 December Xmas Prefect Week 12/12-16/12 incl. Y10 Recognition Assembly Y7 Recognition Assembly
Tuesday 13 December Y9 Recognition Assembly Y8 Recognition Assembly
Wednesday 14 December
Thursday 15 December
Friday 16 December Students last day of school

Term 1, 2023

Week 1
Monday 30 January Staff only – Pupil Free Day
Tuesday 31 January Y7, Y11 and Y12 (& Y10 Support leaders) return to school
Wednesday 1 February Y8, Y9 and Y10 return to school
Thursday 2 February
Friday 3 February

Two repeat reminders...

- Our **school uniform** identifies our students. The correct wearing of it is expected and is a matter of pride and safety for all students. If a student is not able to wear full school uniform on a particular day, the student is required to bring a note from their parents/carers to be signed by a deputy principal before school. The student will then be issued a uniform pass. If a student is out of uniform without a note from a parent or care, they will be issued with a detention.
- The **BHHS CAPA Showcase 2022** is being held at Riverside Theatre at Parramatta from 6:30 pm on Wednesday 30 November. To purchase your tickets, please click <https://boxoffice.riversideparramatta.com.au/WEBPAGES/Entertainment/ShowPerformance.aspx>. In other performance news, a team of our Support students continue to prepare for Schools Spectacular. You can purchase tickets online, or keep an eye out for the broadcast on television.

Wayne Humphreys
Principal



Baulko News





Parent/Guardian Information Sheet – Year 10 Love Bites Program

Year 10 will be partaking in the Love Bites Program on Thursday 24th November at school, as part of the broader Wellbeing Program at Baulkham Hills High School. The program will run for a full day with two interactive sessions followed by creative workshops. Young people are given an opportunity to create their own campaigns to promote respectful relationships in our community through these workshops.

NAPCAN's highly regarded Love Bites and Love Bites Junior programs have been running in schools since 2005. The interactive and engaging sessions focus on the development of respectful relationships for young people aged 11 to 17. The programs aim to provide a safe environment in which young people can discuss and learn about their rights and responsibilities in relationships and look at ways to access support when needed. During the sessions, young people are introduced to a number of services in the community and encouraged to support their friends by utilising safe, healthy and proactive strategies.

The facilitators for the Love Bites program come from different community organisations and services including Local Police and trained Student Support Officers from local schools in the region. Our Staff will also be present during the sessions.

If required, young people can be supported by several support staff who will be present throughout the day, including the SSO, Head Teacher Wellbeing, Counselling Team, Year Advisers and classroom teachers.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the program, please contact the school. Should you wish to discuss any personal difficulties regarding relationships, please find contact numbers for additional support options below.

If you do not wish your young person to attend this workshop, please provide a note to the office by the 21st November.

Sincerely,

Terryanne Fletcher
Head Teacher Wellbeing
Baulkham Hills High School

Annah Jamba
Student Support Officer
Baulkham Hills High School

Support services:

1800 RESPECT Ph: 1800737732 - www.1800respect.org.au

Parentline Ph: 1300 30 1300 - www.parentline.com.au



CAPA Showcase 2022 – 30 November

The Creative and Performing Arts Faculty cordially invites all to the 2022 CAPA Showcase at the Riverside Theatre on 30th November. Please use the QR code on the attached flyer to secure your tickets for the event. Tickets are \$35 for adults and \$25 for children (18 and under) and are selling fast. Don't miss out on the fantastic Music, Dance and Drama performance or the range of visual projects that students have completed across 2022. See you there!!!

A flyer for the 2022 CAPA Showcase. At the top left is the Baulkham Hills High School crest. A green banner reads 'BAULKHAM HILLS HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS'. Below this, '2022' is written in large white block letters with a black dot pattern, and 'SHOWCASE' is in large orange block letters with a white dot pattern. A piano keyboard graphic is positioned below the text. A black box contains the text: 'FEATURING THE WORKS AND PERFORMANCES OF STUDENTS FROM: DANCE - DRAMA - VISUAL ARTS MUSIC - VISUAL DESIGN PHOTOGRAPHY AND DIGITAL MEDIA'. The date '30TH NOVEMBER' and time '6:30 - 9:30 PM' are displayed in large white and orange letters. To the right, it says 'TICKETED EVENT' and 'SCAN CODE TO PURCHASE A TICKET FOR ENTRY' in pink. A QR code is located at the bottom right. At the bottom left, it says 'Artwork by Jasmine Wang - Year 11 Visual Arts Student' and 'WWW.RIVERSIDEPARRAMATTA.COM.AU'. The 'RIVERSIDE' logo is at the bottom center, and a 'SCAN ME' button is at the bottom right.

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BAULKHAM HILLS HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS

2022

SHOWCASE

FEATURING THE WORKS AND PERFORMANCES OF STUDENTS FROM:

DANCE - DRAMA - VISUAL ARTS
MUSIC - VISUAL DESIGN
PHOTOGRAPHY AND DIGITAL MEDIA

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Artwork by Jasmine Wang - Year 11 Visual Arts Student

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RIVERSIDE

SCAN ME

Click on link below to purchase a ticket:

<https://boxoffice.riversideparramatta.com.au/WebPages/EntaWebGateway/gateway.aspx?E=N&QL=S7978|VRIV|G~/WEBPAGES/EntaWebShow/ShowPerformance.aspx>

TAP on & TAP off

Every time you travel by bus

It helps us plan the bus service by knowing how many people are using buses.



It is a condition of the School Pass Terms and the Student Codes of Conduct when travelling that students who have a School Opal card must tap on and tap off every time when using public transport to travel to and from school. Per section 3.2 of the Opal Privacy Policy, Transport for NSW collects information from taps on and taps off to support coordination, planning and policy development for transport, transport services and transport infrastructure.





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PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION FORM YEAR 11 into 12 FLEXIBLE LEAVE & ATTENDANCE REMINDERS

The beginning of Term 4 signals the start of Year 12 and the commencement of HSC courses. Your child may experience timetable changes due to changes in courses they have elected to study. As a result, the privilege of flexible leave may be extended to include both late arrival and early leave.

With this privilege comes added responsibility. Students are required to adhere to several conditions governing the privilege. It is important to understand that the school may remove flexible leave privileges for any student who misuses this privilege or who does not demonstrate responsibility for their school attendance.

Late Arrival Conditions:

Your child may come to school late if they have non-timetabled lessons before recess. The following apply:

- **Students MUST SIGN IN at the school front office when they enter school grounds after 8:44 AM.**
 - They must ALSO sign in at the library to indicate where they are during study periods.
- **Students must arrive at school before the first timetabled class OR before recess, whichever comes first, even if students have a non-timetabled lesson after recess.**
 - This is **NOT** permitted on Mondays, as students **MUST** attend assembly.
 - This is **NOT** permitted if students have a Period 0 class (a timetabled lesson before school). Furthermore, students with a Period 0 class must sign in at the school front office between 8:41 AM - 8:44 AM if they do not have a Period 1 timetabled class.

Early Leave Conditions:

Your child may leave the school grounds early if they have non-timetabled lessons after lunch. The following apply:

- **Students MUST SIGN OUT at the school front office when they leave school grounds before the end of school.**
 - If students leave school grounds without signing out officially, they will be classified as a truant and will lose all flexible leave privileges. 'Forgetting' to sign out is not an adequate excuse.
- **Students may leave school during lunch OR after the last timetabled class, whichever comes last, even if students have a non-timetabled lesson before lunch.**
 - This is **NOT** permitted if a Year Meeting has been scheduled during or after lunch.
 - This is **NOT** permitted on Wednesdays if students participate in Sport or have timetabled lessons during Sport.
 - This is **NOT** permitted if students have a Period 9 class (a timetabled lesson after school). In the case of the Period 9 class being cancelled, the teacher in charge of the class must provide advanced notice to the front office in order to allow early leave.

Non-timetabled lessons (study periods):

- Students are **NOT** permitted to use study periods as an opportunity to leave school grounds.
- Students **MUST** sign in at the library to indicate which area they will remain in during their study period.
- Students **MUST** sign out of the library before moving to their next timetabled lesson.

Students who do not follow the above guidelines will be considered partial truants and will be dealt with according to the school's discipline policy.



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ATTENDANCE REMINDERS – LATENESS:

- Your child is expected to be at school on time every day. School begins at 8:40 AM unless your child has a Period 0 class in which their start time is informed by their teacher.
- If your child is late to school, they must sign into the school front office and receive a late slip. There are two sections to this slip:
 - The first is to take home to parents/guardians who must sign off on the student being late. This slip must then be returned to the school front office the next school day.
 - The second is to take to the classroom teacher who will then adjust their roll to reflect any late attendance. If there is a large discrepancy between the time your child enters school and the time they enter class, they will be considered a truant.
- If your child builds up a habit of late days (3 days or as determined by HT Administration), they will receive a lunch time detention. Failure to attend the detention will result in further school discipline.

ATTENDANCE REMINDERS – ABSENCE:

- Your child is expected to be at school every day. If their attendance percentage goes below a certain level, parents/guardians will be contacted. The same may apply if a pattern of absence arises (for example, if your child is absent every Friday).
- For every day that your child is absent, parents/guardians must supply a note to the school to justify their leave. This note may be a text message to the school on the day of absence or a signed note brought in by the student when they next return to school. The school will then determine if the absence is justified or unjustified.
- The number of unjustified and unexplained absences will be shown on your child's school academic record. Many employers will look at this data when recruiting new employees.
- If your child builds up a habit of unexplained absences (as determined by HT Administration), they will receive a lunch time detention. Failure to attend the detention will result in further school discipline.

Students who do not demonstrate responsibility for their school attendance will lose the privilege of flexible leave. This includes any form of truancy and frequent lateness/absenteeism.

Parents/guardians who have already given permission for their child to have flexible leave will not need to give permission again this year. Flexible leave privileges are automatically updated with your child's most current timetable on Sentral. If your child drops a subject during the term, they cannot exercise new flexible leave days until the new timetable is reflected on Sentral. If at any stage you wish to change your permission for your child's flexible leave, please email the school.

Baulkham Hills High School has these structures and programs in place to support students in becoming independent and responsible learners. This requires them to self-regulate and prioritise their learning needs. As students learn to work effectively in this setting, they will be in the best possible position to be successful in the flexible tertiary environment and in future workplaces.

Yours sincerely,

Ms J. Zhu
Head Teacher Administration (Relieving)
14 October 2022



School Opal Cards for bus travel

Busways has been conducting checks at your school regarding Opal card usage.

Your child did not have an Opal card today when travelling on the school bus.

Opal data gathered by tapping on and off is used to determine demand for bus services. If students don't tap on and tap off then school bus services will appear underutilised and may be considered for cancellation based on low passenger numbers.

Please ensure that your child has a valid Opal card (either a School or Child/Youth Opal card) and taps on and off when travelling to and from school.

For more information and to apply for a School Opal card call 13 67 25 (13 OPAL) or apply online at www.opal.com.au/en/about-opal/opal-for-school-students/.

For other enquiries, our customer service team is happy to help. Call 1300 69 2929 (Monday to Friday 7am-5.30pm) or email infoline@busways.com.au.



Application for Extended Leave – Travel (3 days or more)

Please click on the link below and fill in the form (4 pages) for extended leave – travel and certificate (for 3 days or more). A print of flight details or itinerary is also to be included. The student can bring the hard copy form to be signed and approved by the Principal before going on leave. The certificate of extended leave travel will be given to the student for the purpose of travel once approved.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/main-education/policy-library/associated-documents/pd-2005-0259-02-2.pdf>.

NSW Health Updates

Please follow the link below to fact sheets from NSW Health as regards the linked topics.

- Japanese encephalitis - https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/factsheets/Pages/japanese_encephalitis.aspx
- Mosquitoes - <https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/factsheets/Pages/mosquito.aspx>
- Japanese encephalitis virus and mosquito bite avoidance - <https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/factsheets/Factsheets/japanese-encephalitis-questions-answered.pdf>

Absence Explanations

Parents are required to provide an explanation of absence to the school on the day of absence or **within seven (7) days** from the first day of any period of absence.

If a student is absent for three (3) days or more a **Medical Certificate** is required.

Permission and Payment for Excursions, Sporting Events/Activities

Baulko is currently using “**School Bytes**” as a form for permissions and payments for various activities.

You will receive the required permissions and or payment via email. If it is not finalised by the deadline, your child will not be able to attend.

Please check these emails are not going into your spam as they are named school bytes.

Please email the school if your email address has changed.

Careers News Term 4 2022

Year 12 Uni Applications

Information has been sent out about the Educational Access Scheme (EAS) to support students who have experienced disadvantages during Years 11 and/or 12 and applications are due by the end of October.

Year 10 Google Classroom

Year 10 have access to a specialised Google Classroom and have been emailed the code to access. All Year 10 students have access to the Morrisby Online Careers Profiling which provides university course and career suggestions ahead of subject selection. Hard copies of the Steps to Uni for Year 10 Students publication from UAC have been provided to all students.

Helping your child with their career development

To help your child with their career development process, please see this link: <https://myfuture.edu.au/assist-your-child>. There is also a National Careers Week on demand webinar for Parents & Guardians – [Help guide your child to a career path that is right for them](#).

Careers Subscriptions

Years 7/8/9

Years 7/8/9 students have been emailed a code to complete the junior version of the Morrisby Profile (called Morrisby Careers).

Year 10 into 11

- Morrisby Online Career Profiling (aptitudes, personality, interests)
- Study Work Grow (guides, updates, portfolio) (parents can also sign up via code in Google Classroom)
- The Careers Department (virtual work experience, audios, videos)

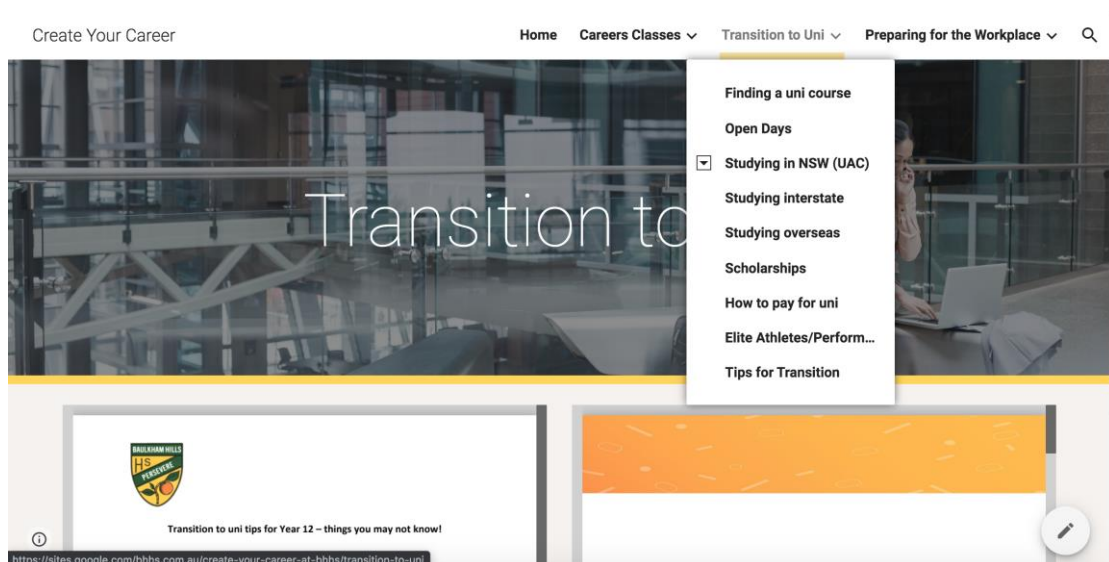
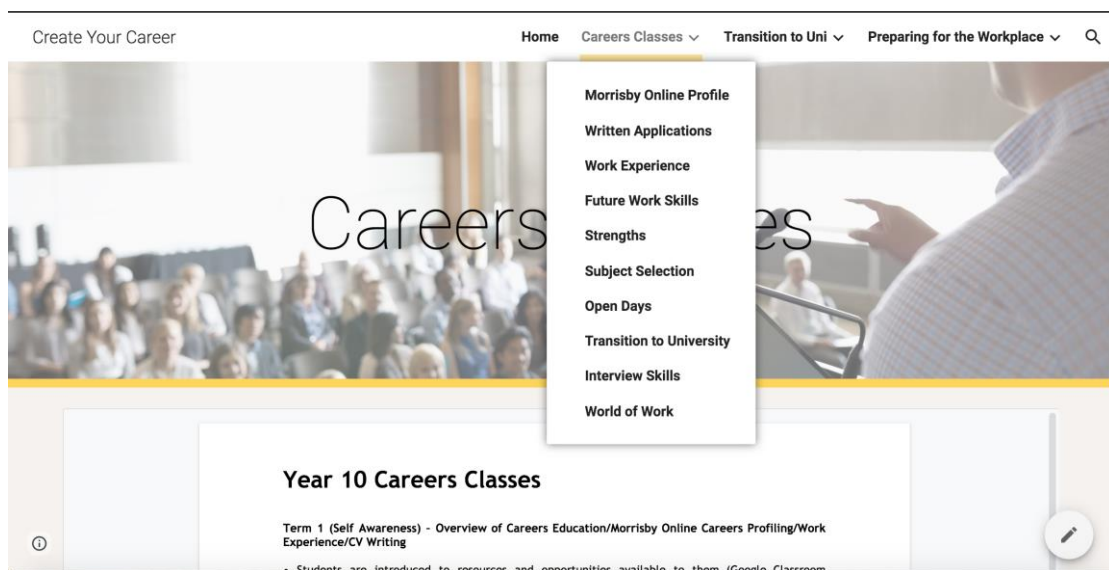
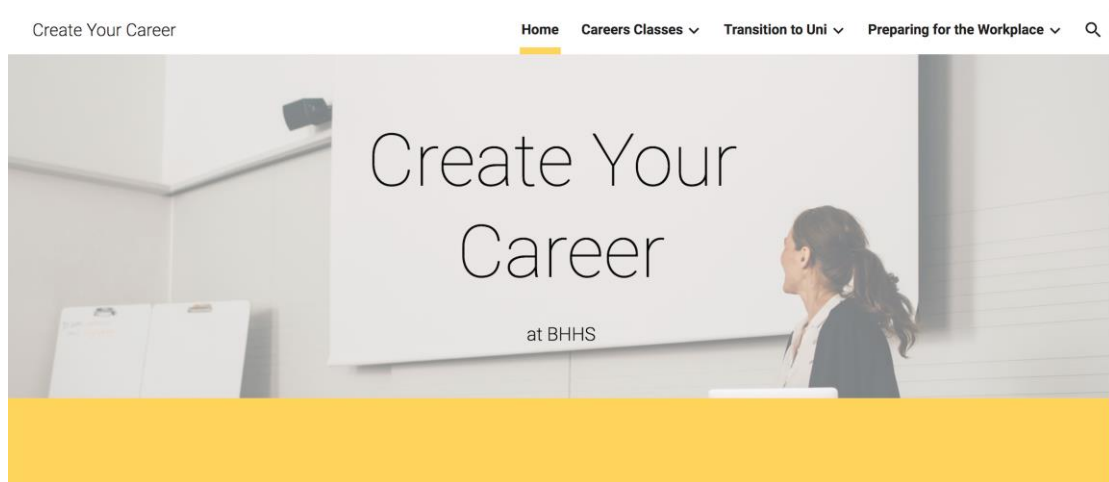
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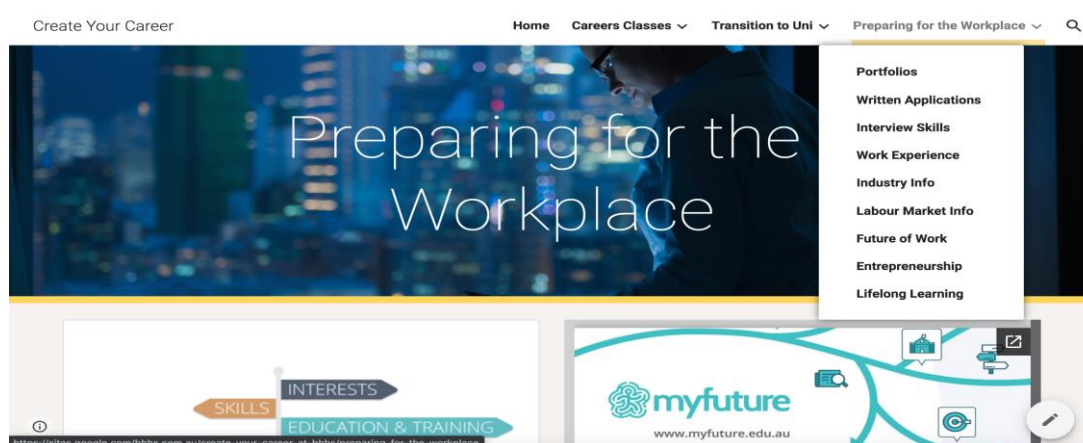
Year 12 have access to all of the above subscriptions plus the following:

- From High School to Hireable (online interview skills course)

Google Classroom updates are posted for Year 12 including:

- Book a Careers appointment spreadsheet
- Careers Checklists & deadlines
- Uni speakers at BHHS





Explore

- 9** My career profile activities
- 358** occupation profiles
- Approx. **15,000** courses
- 33** career bullseyes
- 300+** videos
- 100+** career stories
- 100+** career articles
- Join over **1 million** registered users (as at 31 December 2021)

What is myfuture?

myfuture is Australia's National Career Information Service. It provides online resources to explore career pathways and tools to develop self-knowledge for career decision-making.

myfuture encourages students to consider how their interests, values and skills relate to a wide range of career pathways. It provides a complete and unbiased picture of opportunities, by showcasing both higher education and vocational education and training (VET) courses.

Resources are designed to support three key audiences:

Students

Complete the short My career profile activities to identify students' interests, skills and values and generate a list of suggested occupations, or use the Career bullseyes to discover occupations related to school learning areas. Open up new possibilities by researching industries, occupations and courses and by exploring career stories shared by young people and articles contributed by experts. Save and revisit favourite content and activity results.

Teachers and career practitioners

A special section of the site contains resources to support teachers and career practitioners. It includes video libraries, resources to embed career learning across the curriculum, myfuture's recent webinars, newsletters and insights papers, and a range of high-quality content and resources written by career development and education experts.

Parents and carers

The earliest and often the most powerful learning about careers is shaped by the adults in a child's life. The resources curated in the Parents and carers section of myfuture are designed to assist these key influencers to begin the conversation with their child about the world of work.

How to access myfuture

myfuture is funded by Australian state and territory governments. Visit www.myfuture.edu.au to sign up for a free account and check the box to receive up-to-date career information via email.

/findingmyfuture
 @myfutureAU
 myfuture_australia
 myfuture.edu.au

School uniform – a reminder

Correct school uniform is expected to be worn at all times by students. If, for any reason, your student is unable to wear school uniform on a particular day, they are required to bring a note from a parent or carer to be sighted and signed by a Deputy Principal before school. The student will be issued a Uniform Pass for the day.

Support From Reachout

The challenges of supporting students as parents and carers is always present. The issues around COVID-19 have made this an even more difficult and uncertain path to tread. I will be giving students short ideas via assemblies over the next few weeks in which they can proactively support themselves.

The website Reachout.com also provides advice for parent and carers over a range of areas. It is worth having a look at <https://parents.au.reachout.com/> as a starting point.

For students, have a look at <https://au.reachout.com/articles/how-to-handle-fear-about-the-future-a-guide-for-year-12-students> (Dr Amy Burton, Clinical Psychologist)

TAFE Use

Students are reminded that the use of the adjacent TAFE facility to walk to and from Old Northern Rd is a privilege and not a right. Students are reminded to walk safely, quietly and quickly through the facility. Parents and carers are **not** permitted to enter, drive into, or park in the TAFE to pick up or drop off students.

Bus Travel

The **bus stop on Old Northern Rd in front of Baulkham Hills TAFE** is used each afternoon by approximately 100 students. Students have the privilege and responsibility of accessing this bus stop through the TAFE. I would remind students to be very careful and considerate when using and accessing this bus stop, waiting for a bus, and moving to the kerb to get on a bus. Buses sometimes approach the stop very quickly, with the front of the bus coming over the edge of the kerb. Please always demonstrate courtesy and safety, and remember that there is always another bus.

Student pickup after school

A reminder about parking and picking up around our school in the afternoons, especially in the school bus bay, Carver Crescent, Christopher Street, Coronation Road, and Baulkham Hills TAFE areas.

Please ensure you follow all traffic rules (especially traffic lights and not parking across driveways) when you are in these areas. You could even have your student walk a little but further away from the school gate – to assist their physical health, and alleviate the heavy traffic at the end of the school day.

The Hills Shire Council will have compliance officers at various times in these locations to ensure all drivers are following required traffic rules.