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Daniel Wang Y12 with the Chair of Australian Science Innovations, the Minister for Industry and Science, and the Chief Scientist for NSW

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APPLICATION FOR EXTENDED LEAVE (3 DAYS OR MORE)

Pick up an Application for Extended Leave – Travel Form from the office if you are going on leave for 3 days or more. This needs to be approved by the Principal.

From the principal's desk:

Thank you to all students and staff for their diligent work and application during Term 2 – always a very busy term at BHHS. Have a good, refreshing break. School will resume for students on Tuesday 19 July 2022.

Daniel Wang (Year 12) is one young science of 21 Olympians selected to represent Australia at the **UNESCO-sanctioned** International Science Olympiads. Daniel will compete at the International Chemistry Olympiad from 10-18 July. He will compete against more than 1,000 of the top high school students in the world.

The Year 10, 11 and 12 students picked to compete this year represent 17 schools from the ACT, NSW, QLD, SA and VIC. They have spent a year in exams and intensive training to make the cut. They succeeded against thousands of other students in qualifying exams and intensive training camps, all

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

Term	12
Week 10	
Monday 27 June	
Y11 Assessment weeks 20/6 to 1/7 incl.	
Tuesday 28 June Anti-Racism Awareness Day	
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Wednesday 29 June Year 12 Recognition Assembly	
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Thursday 30 June	
Friday 1 July	
Y10 History Élective Excursion	

Term 3
Week 1
Monday 18 July
School Development Day – Staff Only Pupil Free Day
Tuesday 19 July
Wednesday 20 July
Thursday 21 July
Year 8 Wellbeing Day
Year 7 and 10 Parent Teacher Night
Friday 22 July Y10 History Elective Excursion to Luna Park
Week 2
Monday 25 July
Mythology Film Study – History Elective
Tuesday 26 July
Sydney West Athletics Championship Day 1
Wednesday 27 July
Sydney West Athletics Championship Day 2
Y7 APSMO – Australian Problem Solving Mathematics Olympiad 27/7-29/7
Thursday 28 July
Friday 29 July
Week 3
Monday 1 August
Tuesday 2 August
Wednesday 3 August
Y7 Camp 3/8-4/8 incl.
Thursday 4 August
Y10 Duke of Ed Camp 4/8-5/8 incl.
Friday 5 August
HSC Trial Examinations 5/8-19/8 incl.
Week 4
Monday 8 August
HSC Trial Examinations 5/8-19/8 incl.
Tuesday 9 August
Wednesday 10 August
Thursday 11 August
Friday 12 August

run remotely, for ultimate selection to the teams.

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Instead of travelling to competitions international this the 21 young Aussie vear, Olympians will compete against students from more than 70 countries in online exams and challenges supervised at their school or other approved competition venues.

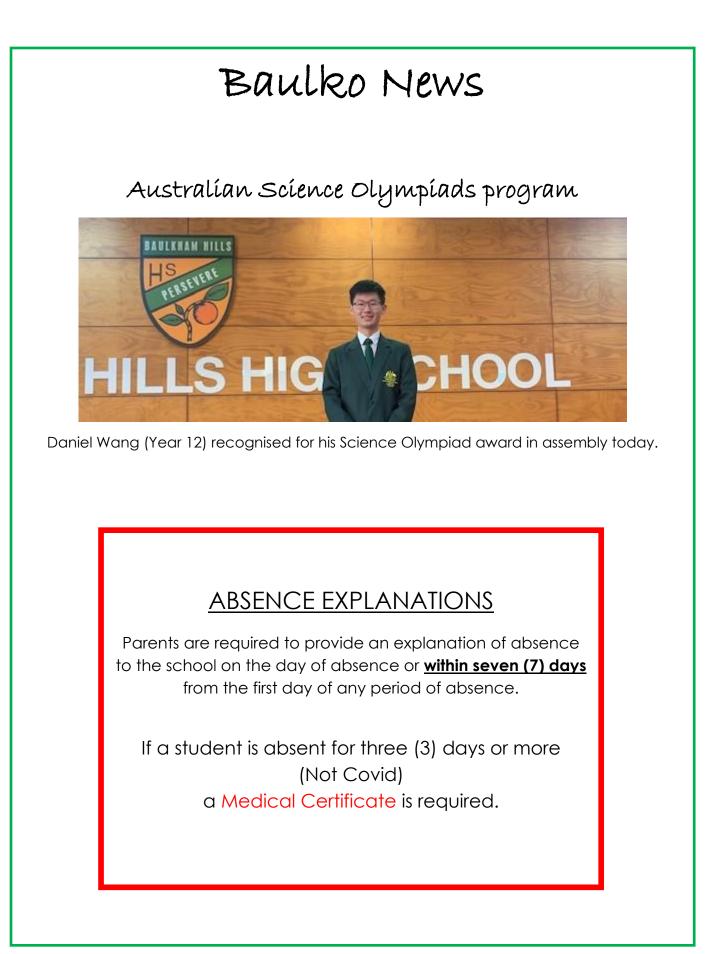
The Australian Science Olympiads program is run by not-for-profit Australian Science Innovations, based in Canberra. It is funded through the Australian Government's National Innovation and Science Agenda. The Australian National University is the program's university partner.

A final reminder that subject selections for Years 8 and 10 students close this Thursday.

Please remember to check your students for Covid symptoms and follow close contact protocols. See https://education.nsw.gov.au/cov id-19/advice-for-families for further details.

Wayne Humphreys Principal







ICAS Science Competition Years 7-10

Dear Parents and Guardians

I am delighted to inform you that Baulkham Hills High will be participating in the world-renowned ICAS competition this year.

What is ICAS?

ICAS is an online academic competition that is designed to assess students 'higher order thinking and problemsolving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, Writing, Spelling Bee and Digital Technologies.

Each assessment celebrates students' accomplishments by providing opportunities for recognition and development. Every student who participates will receive a printed certificate and an online results report. Top performers will be eligible for medals.

I encourage you to consider entering your child into ICAS this year.

Learn more about ICAS here. (https://www.icasassessments.com/products-icas)

How to participate in ICAS

If you wish for your child to participate in ICAS this year, please:

- 1. read about ICAS subjects and prices <u>here: (https://www.icasassessments.com/products-icas</u>)
- 2. read the terms and conditions <u>here</u>: (<u>https://www.icasassessments.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/Finalised-Parents-Ts-and-Cs-2022v03-1.pdf</u>)
- go to Parent Portal <u>here</u>: (<u>https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps</u>) and enter our school's access code – TGP338 – Deadline for payment is 30th July
- 4. enter your child's details, select the year group of the test you would like to purchase, then proceed to payment.

Please note that the ICAS tests shown is only for **SCIENCE**.

After payment is made via the Parent Payment System, you will receive an order confirmation email, please keep this for your records.

The test will be run on Wednesday, 24th August Periods 1 & 2.

You and your child can access the results once released via the Reports Portal using the TAP ID and pin found on the back of the ICAS certificate.

I am proud to offer ICAS and look forward to some fantastic results later in the year.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Kind regards

Lisa Greenlees HT Teaching & Learning Lisa.g.greenlees@det.nsw.edu.au





Peer Support Activity Day 2022

Last Friday was our Peer Support Activity Day, our Year 7 cohort received the opportunity to enjoy a full day of games and activities planned by their Year 10 Peer Support Leaders. Vibrant smiles and engrossed involvement were seen all around, no doubt a result of Year 10 PSL's diligent planning and Year 7's enthusiasm.

The leaders organised a thrilling variety of ten different stations through which the Year 7 Peer Support Groups cycled throughout the day, each one with their own unforgettable moments.

We got to see Year 7s face off Year 10s in the deadly sharpshooter game of... dodgeball. The Year 7s had not a single shred of mercy for the poor PSL's.

Trivia revealed that the newest cohort of Baulko students are, in fact, very knowledgeable. Who knew Macca's was founded in 1952?! They did.

No one (including me) stood a chance against Mr Iaconis in tug'o'war. The Year 7s demolished their Peer Support Leaders in their battles of strenuous struggle for ground.

Both the PSL's and the Year 7s seemed to and admitted to enjoying the day. "It was worth the fatigue when we saw them leave with smiles on their faces," says one Leader. "The day was fun and I got to meet many of my brother's peers," says one of the Year 7s.

Of course, this day is primarily thanks to the hard work and dedication of Mr Iaconis and Ms Fletcher and all the teachers who supervised us throughout the day. Year 10s and 7s alike would like to express much appreciation to the teachers' assistance, supervision, and most importantly patience with them.



You know what they say: "Everyday's a great day at Baulko."

— Aadie Karim, Year 10 PSL







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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 bulkeyes 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.

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MEDICAL RESEARCH as SCHOOL QUIZ



13th May to 13th July 2022



Open to Year 7 – 12 students

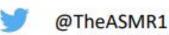
Great prizes to be won!

33 multiple choice questions that will test your knowledge and inspire your imagination (+ one bonus question)

Enter online @ asmr.org.au/asmr-mrw/asmr-mrw-schools-quiz/



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Enter to win a share of \$7,600 in prizes!

Hello,

- Your school is invited to participate in this year's Tax, Super + You competition
- Students can start working on their entries now
- The competition is open 30 May 19 August 2022

What's the challenge?

We want your students to unleash their creativity and explain tax and super in a fun and imaginative way. Not only will your students gain an understanding of this important topic, they also have a chance to win some great prizes for themselves and their schools. Students can enter individually or as part of a team.

The entry topics for 2022 are:

- Junior (Year 7–9): Tax, Super + Me How tax impacts me in my daily life.
- Senior (Year 10–12): Top four things I need to know about tax and super when I start my first job.

What you can do

Tell your students about the competition, help them explore tax and super, and encourage them to get creative! You could even use the competition as a classroom activity. You can find free teaching resources at our new and improved Tax, Super + You website.

The new website makes it easier and quicker to find engaging content and activities, and plan face to face or virtual lessons that are aligned to the Australian and state curriculums. It's available at taxsuperandyou.gov.au

Prizes and entry details

The following prizes will be awarded for each category:

- First prize winner (\$600 plus \$600 for their school).
- Second prize winner (\$400 plus \$400 for their school).
- Third prize winner (\$300 plus \$300 for their school).
- People's Choice Award winner (\$600 plus \$600 for their school).

We've included posters with this letter to help spread the word in your school.

To find out more, go to taxsuperandyou.gov.au/competition

Kind regards, The Tax, Super + You competition team Australian Taxation Office



Careers News Term 2 2022

Year 12 Uni Applications

Year 12 have been sent videos and PP slides of the UAC process. Uni/alumni speakers visit t in Term 2.

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. Year 10 students have access to a hard copy of the Steps to Uni for Year 10 Students publication from UAC from May.

Helping your child with their career development

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

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).

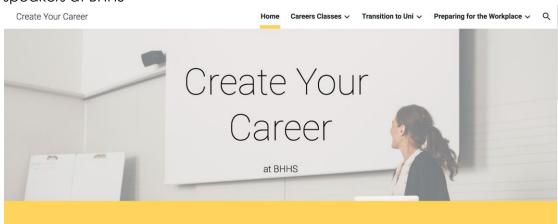
Year 10 into 11

- 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)

Year 12

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

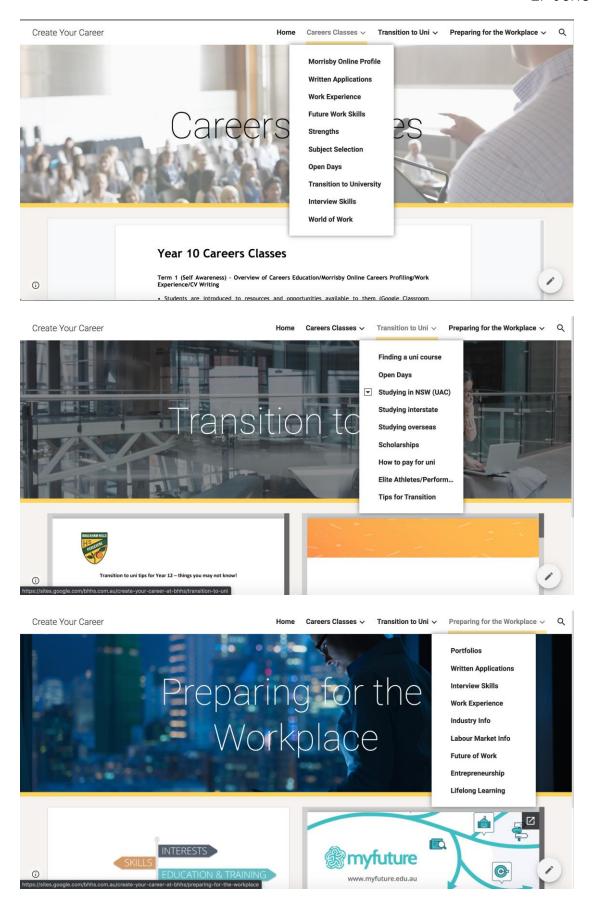
- From High School to Hireable (online interview skills course)
- Google Classroom updates are posted for Year 12 including:
 - Book a Careers appointment spreadsheet
 - Careers Checklists & deadlines
 - Uni speakers at BHHS





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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. Further to this, may I please remind all students that the **wearing of masks on public transport remains compulsory** in line with NSW Department of Health Public Health Order.

COVID-19 - A reminder that **regularly updated COVID guidelines** are available at <u>https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families</u>

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.

NSW Heath 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 - <u>https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/factsheets/Pages/mosquito.aspx</u>

• Japanese encephalitis virus and mosquito bite avoidance https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/factsheets/Factsheets/japanese-encephalitisquestions-answered.pdf



Lost Property on Hills Bus



Transport for NSW

Face Masks are Mandatory

This is a reminder to all students that face masks are mandatory whilst waiting for and travelling on public transport, including all school buses. It is also mandatory for all students to tap on and off using a valid Opal card or effpos card, every time they travel.

It is important for students that failing to wear a mask or tap on/off risk a fine by transport inspectors.

I have added a link below to Transport for NSW showing travel offences and fines for your convenience and information.

https://transportnsw.info/travel-info/using-public-transport/travel-offences-fines-penalties

