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# Baulkham Hills High Newsletter



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**Cover:** Launch of Invictus Games 2018

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## From the principal's desk:

Year 12 have started their Trial HSC and we wish them all good luck with these important exams.

The launch of the Invictus Education Project last week was very successful. The Minister for Veterans Affairs. David Elliott, launched the program together with Patrick Kidd, the CEO of Invictus Sydney. It was lovely to celebrate our wonderful school and our involvement in this program. We had students triallina an online project, also Humanities students playing wheelchair basketball and a third group making artificial limbs under the guidance of UNSW Women in Engineering. The activities relevant were and for engaging all our students and directly

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### Calendar 2018



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

Week 2
Week 3
Monday 6 August - Y12 Trial HSC Exams 6/8 to 16/8 incl.
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Tuesday 7 August
Wednesday 8 August
- Y10&11 Chemistry Olympiad Exam P1-5 (Harwood)
Thursday 9 August
- Y8 and Y9 Recognition Assembly
- Y10 & 11 Australian Maths Competition (Sree Kumar)
Friday 10 August - Y7/8/9 Australian Maths Competition (Sree Kumar)
<ul> <li>Y10 &amp; Y11 Earth &amp; Enviro Science Olympiad Exam P1-P5 (Harwood)</li> </ul>
Week 4
Monday 13 August
- Y12 Trial HSC Exams 6/8 to 16/8 incl.
- Y10 & 11 Biology Olympiad Exam P1-P5 (Harwood)
Tuesday 14 August
Wednesday 15 August
- Y7 & Y8 APSMO Maths Competition in class (Hoang)
- Y10 & Y11 Physics Olympiad Exam P1-P5 (Harwood)
Thursday 16 August
Friday 17 August
<ul> <li>Y12 Post-Trials Welfare Afternoon P7-P8 (215)</li> <li>Y11 Peer Support Lunch P6-Lunch (Fletcher/laconis)</li> </ul>
Week 5
Monday 20 August
- Y10 Science Practical Assessment Task in class P3-6 (Trkulja)
Tuesday 21 August
- Y7 Maths Assessment P7-P8 (Ribbans)
Wednesday 22 August
Thursday 23 August
<ul> <li>Y11 &amp; 12 Aust. Informatics Olympiad P5-P8 (Dunne)</li> <li>Outreach – Jeans for Genes</li> </ul>
Friday 24 August
Saturday 25 August – Working Bee 9am – 1pm
Week 6
Monday 27 August
- Spirit Week 27/8 to 31/8 incl.
- Y10 Mathematics Assessment P7-P8 (Ribbans)
Tuesday 28 August
- P&C Meeting 7.30pm
Wednesday 29 August
- Y8 Mathematics Assessment P1-P2 (Ribbans)
Thursday 30 August
Friday 31 August
- Y9 Mathematics Assessment P1-P2 (Ribbans)
- Spring Fling (Hann/Khan)
Sunday 2 September - NSW Schools Band Festival (Hann)
Week 7
Monday 3 September
- Prefect Induction Rehearsal P1-P2
Tuesday 4 September
Wednesday 5 September
- Y12 Study Afternoon – Lunch-P8 (Ribbans)
Thursday 6 September
- Variety Night TLC (Kite/Prefects)
Friday 7 September

related to the Invictus Games. On the assembly today we welcomed Janine Wood, Head of Community Engagement from Invictus to help us launch our own Invictus program.

#### Jeanne Bathgate



Mr Peter Arbuckle, Athlete for Australian Invictus Team



Students making artificial limbs with **UNSW Women in Engineering** 



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### **P&C** News

### Working Bee - 2

### Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> August 9.00 am – 1.00 pm

The last working bee for the year 2018 will be held on Saturday 25th August. Parents, students, family members and friends are encouraged to come and help on the day. Morning tea and lunch will be provided.

In order to assist with planning and catering if you are available to attend, please email the P&C <u>bhhspandc@hotmail.com</u> with your details. Your attendance at this working bee would be greatly appreciated. We need more volunteers to help transform our school into a wonderful place!

#### P&C Fund raising

As part of fund raising, P&C will be organising egg sale during the working bee. Fresh, free range eggs will be delivered directly from the farm for \$12 per tray (38 eggs). To book your orders, please email P&C directly.

Jyothi Sanker, P&C President

### Launch of Invictus Games - Photos







## **Band News**

Senior band workshop will be held in the TLC from 3:30pm to 5:30pm on Friday 17th August. If you have not collected a permission note yet, hard copies are available from the band locker room.

Please return all notes and permission forms to the black band letterbox located outside the band locker room door.

As we are now in the lead up to the school NSW Band festival, please ensure you attend all rehearsals and be punctual. Arrive at 7:20am ready to rehearse at 7:30am. Late arrivals and non attendance are disruptive.

Thank you to all the students and families who are notifying us of absences from rehearsals. There are many competing school events and excursions, still attend rehearsal even if you need to leave early for an excursion. Where possible, notify absences in advance with a reason, including illnesses to bhhsbandcom@gmail.com

We are seeking two parent helpers for each band (Junior, Senior, Concert and Stage band) for the School NSW Band Festival on Sunday 2nd Sept. This will be a support role for the Conductors during arrival, warm up and behind the scenes. You will only be required for a short time. If you are able to assist, please contact us at the band email address.

We also have some sad news to report. Ms Burrows and Mr Watkins will be leaving our band program at the end of this year. We are very appreciative of their passion, dedication and musical expertise they have contributed during their time here, and wish them well for their future endeavours.

The Band Committee

## Ski Trip – July 2018

We embarked on our ski trip on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> July, in eager anticipation after months of preparation and a hurried goodbye to our family. A school-trip Disney movie blinkered overhead on the small T.V, drowning out the snores of students who, despite the excitement and discomfort, had somehow managed to doze into a steady slumber.

As we groggily awoke the next morning, the surrealism of our surroundings struck us; the arrival at Smiggins has brought the snow, the slopes, the mountains which carved a path in the skythe gruelling 7 hour bus ride, but we could have just as easily been in the Alps of Canada or Switzerland.

During our daily lesson, we found ourselves challenging our courage and skill by skiing and snowboarding down new slopes. Although at first skiing and snowboarding successfully for more than five metres was an impossible feat to some, after a few hours we became accustomed to the extensions of skis and boards on our feet and managed to get down a whole slope without stumbling.



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The warmth of the hearty meal enjoyed at dinner that night added to our state of drowsiness, as soon after we found ourselves lethargically lazed upon wooden chairs in the living room of Snowy Gums lodge. The unveiling of a pack of cards, Uno or one of the many board games at the accommodation was the highlight of the evening. We were pleasantly shocked to discover the vast quantity of entertainment these games could provide.

The second day of skiing and snowboarding brought not only weary eyes and sluggish muscles, but the unwelcome surprise of ski goggle-shaped tan lines which marked our faces, mainly from the wind, that never stopped, but failed to dampen or mood.

All too quickly, the time at Smiggins was over. The nostalgia which strikes you when you arrive home from ski trip is immense; the lodge, the snow, the slopes which we skied and snowboarded down for two days; even the simple feat of walking up the snow to the lodge; everything is missed, and we all found ourselves reliving the incredible trip through photos.

A huge thanks to Mrs Melrose, Mr Mudaliar and Mr. McDonell for their bright and enthusiastic faces and all of their tireless work to make this the best trip ever.





### **Careers News**

#### 1. UAC Apply to Uni Deadline Friday 28 Sep

Applications for NSW & ACT universities **open Wednesday 1 August** and **close Friday 28 September** (same day as your graduation ceremony) via <u>www.uac.edu.au</u>. If you haven't received your UAC PIN, please ensure you have an email address recorded in your NESA account.

- How to Apply Video
- <u>Checklist</u>
- UAC is currently working on a service for Year 12 students to help them choose their preferences, based on the subjects they're studying for the HSC and the offers received by previous students with the same pattern of study (due for release in October)

If you are applying interstate, please check the links via Google Classroom or the UAC Presentation slides which were emailed (similar processes apply but their dates may differ).

If you are applying overseas, please let Ms Hardy know asap as references need to be written and teachers need to have time to look at guidance documents.

2. USyd Leadership Award – earlier deadline Sun 12 August 11:59pm

Earlier deadline due to requirements of panel. Resources on Google Classroom for CV writing.

#### 3. Scholarships Seminar Tues 21 Aug & USyd Scholarships Session Thurs 23 Aug TLC

Please see email for expression of interest survey – you must let me know you are coming as this is paid for by the school and requires numbers (if you cannot attend and have registered please change your registration). Will include detailed tips and individual advice to help you prepare your scholarship applications (general with a focus on UNSW Co-op). USyd will also be delivering their Scholarships Session on Thurs 23 August.

#### 4. UNSW Law Admission Test (LAT) – registrations close 10 August via ACER website

Resources on Google Classroom. If you would like help with practice essays, please let me know. *Please see instructions via email on how to contact ACER if you would like to sit the LAT on an alternate date from Tues 25 Aug – Picnic Day.* 

#### 5. Open Days 2018

University	Date
Australian Catholic University (ACU) North Sydney Campus	1 September
Australian Catholic University (ACU) Strathfield Campus	8 September
Macquarie University (MQ)	18 August
University of Newcastle (UON) Ourimbah Campus (Central Coast)	4 August
University of Newcastle (UON) Callaghan Campus (Newcastle)	25 August
University of Sydney (USyd)	25 August
University of Technology Sydney (UTS)	25 August
University of Wollongong (UOW)	11 August
University of New South Wales (UNSW)	1 September
Western Sydney University (WSU) Parramatta Campus	19 August



**Open Days & Info Sessions** 

Western Sydney University – Forensic Science: Crime Scene Investigation

Defence Force Australia - Women in Defence Info Sessions

**Uni of Newcastle Science in Practice Day** 

<u>Macquarie University – Speech & Audiology Info Evening</u> <u>Teaching Careers – Facebook Live Panel</u>

So, you want to be a physio? Info Evening

University Information Uni of Newcastle Early Offer Program

Budgeting for Study - Launchpad - the Charles Darwin Uni Blog

**University of New South Wales - Campus Tours** 

Resources, Guides & Other News

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