

Baulkham Hills High Newsletter

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**Cover: UNSW Economics and Business Studies
Competition Award Recipients – L-R:- Aryan Kapoor, Jeff
Zhang, Karl Smith, Leo Su (Rishabh Jain, Aniruddha Mandal and
George Bai not photographed)**

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From the principal's desk:

Congratulations to the SRC for a wonderful Spirit Week. The culmination was the very successful Spring Fling on Friday night which finished with fireworks. Our neighbours were pleased to enjoy a free firework show over their back fence. Approximately 450 students enjoyed the evening.

Tomorrow (Tuesday) we will join with our outgoing prefects to welcome the incoming prefects for 2019. Their parents will join us for an Induction Assembly in front of the whole school. It is timely to say thank you to our outgoing prefects and captains for a job well done. They have contributed exemplary leadership and involvement in the life of the school. Thank you.

The HSC Trials have now finished and students have got their results. The HSC is still six weeks away and there is plenty of time for students to make an extra effort to lift

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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



Term 3

Week 7
Monday 3 September
Tuesday 4 September - Prefect Induction P1-2
Wednesday 5 September - Y12 Study Afternoon – Lunch-P8 (Ribbans)
Thursday 6 September - Variety Night TLC (Kite/Prefects)
Friday 7 September
Week 8
Monday 10 September - Y11 Buffer Week 10/9 to 14/9 incl. - Y9 Bronze Duke of Ed 10/9 to 14/9 (Simpson) - Music2 & Ext HSC Compositions & Essays due (Hann)
Tuesday 11 September - Music2 & Ext HSC Compositions & Essays due (Hann)
Wednesday 12 September - Y12 Study Afternoon (Lunch-P8) (Ribbans)
Thursday 13 September - Y7&8 APSMO Maths Competition In Class (Hoang)
Friday 14 September - Y12 Reports Issued
Week 9
Monday 17 September - Y11 Yearly Exams 17/9 to 28/9 incl.
Tuesday 18 September - HSC Music Practical Exams 8.30am-4.30pm (Hann)
Wednesday 19 September - Y12 Study Afternoon (Lunch-P8) (Ribbans)
Thursday 20 September
Friday 21 September
Week 10
Monday 24 September - Y11 Yearly Exams 17/9 to 28/9 incl.
Tuesday 25 September - Y12 Picnic @Bobbin Head Picnic Area all day (Cowgill/Koksal) - P&C Meeting 7.30pm
Wednesday 26 September - Y10/11 Japan Trip Study Tour 26/9 Evening – School Holidays (Zhu/Jin)
Thursday 27 September -
Friday 28 September - Y12 Graduation Assembly 9am

Term 4

Week 1
Monday 15 October - Students and Staff Commence
Tuesday 16 October - HSC Exams 16/10 to 9/11 incl.
Wednesday 17 October
Thursday 18 October - Y11 Merchant of Venice Excursion P6-8 (Bovard)
Friday 19 October

their results even further. By working with fellow students in study groups all students should benefit from the experience and knowledge of their cohort. This is definitely a time for extra effort and not for giving up or relaxing.

This week is SASS Recognition Week. It is a time when we recognise the importance of all our support staff and their efforts to make the school run smoothly. Our SASS staff include the ladies in the office, the library, the Science and kitchen assistants, the general assistant and the SLSOs in the Support Unit. Thank you all for your efforts.

If you know that your child will not be at Baulkham Hills HS in 2019 please notify the office, in writing, ASAP. It gives us a chance to fill the position for next year.

Congratulations to:

- Zair Ahmed who has been selected to participate in the NSW Constitution Convention

Jeanne Bathgate



Spirit Week

P&C News

P&C would like to thank Ms Lara Hardy (Careers Teacher) and Ms Terryanne Fletcher (Head teacher Welfare) for their presentation in the last P&C General meeting and providing an overview of their role, plans and initiatives for BHHS students.

Uniform Shop

Please note the new uniform price list will be effective from **1st October 2018**. Please contact the uniform shop during operating hours by phone or via email bhhsuniformshop@gmail.com.

If you have any comments/feedback, please email the P&C Association at bhhsbandc@hotmail.com

Jyothi Sanker, P&C President

Invictus Games Sydney 2018 Early Bird Draw

Next Monday 10th September, the draw for the INVICTUS GAMES SYDNEY 2018 Education Experience Excursion will happen.

To be in the draw for this additional excursion students must be fully paid up for the INVICTUS GAMES SYDNEY 2018 Excursion by this Friday 7th September. So far there are over 200 names in the draw, the Minister for Veteran Affairs, Mr David Elliot will be present to draw the lucky 30 names, and the ABC will also be here filming the event.

Mr Simmons, Head Teacher Administration

UNSW Economics and Business Studies Competitions

Earlier this year, our Year 12 and Accelerated Year 11 Economics Students and Year 12 and Accelerated Business Studies students participated in the University of NSW Australian Economics and Business Studies competitions.

Each year, over 6,000 Economics students and 8,000 Business Studies students from Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Malaysia and Indonesia participate in these competitions. Once again, Baulko students performed strongly in both of these competitions, with 63% of students achieving a Distinction in the Economics competition and 60% of students achieving a Distinction in the Business Studies completion.

Business Studies - Leo Su

Economics - Jeff Zhang, Aryan Kapoor, Rishabh Jain, Karl Smith, Aniruddha Mandal and George Bai

These students have done exceptionally well in these competitions and must be congratulated.



These students have been invited to the official Awards ceremony being held at the UNSW campus in Kensington this month for achieving High Distinctions in either Economics or Business Studies. Furthermore, both Jeff and Aryan have been awarded monetary prizes of \$50 each for achieving in the top 2.5% of entrants.

Australian Geography Competition

Earlier this year all of our Year 9, 10 and 11 Geography students completed the Australian Geography competition, which involves over 70,000 entrants from across Australia.

Each year the two top performing Year 11 students from each state and Territory are invited to participate in the Geography Big Week Out. Cassandra Chen Year 11 is one of these top students and she has been invited to participate in this event.

The Geography Big Week Out is an all-expenses paid, six-day event held on Kangaroo Island in South Australia each year. During this week, students focus on fieldwork, spatial technologies and analytical skills. From this event, students are selected for the Australian teams who then go on to participate in the annual International Geography Olympiad, which was held in Canada this year and will be held in Hong Kong in 2019.

Unfortunately Cassandra has had to decline the invitation to the Geography Big Week Out being held these school holidays as she has already committed herself to the Economics Vietnam Study Tour being held at the same time.

However, we are extremely proud of Cassandra and congratulate her for her outstanding effort and achievement.

Ms Craft, Head Teacher Social Science



Cassandra Chen Y11

Spirit Week

Last week was SRC's annual Spirit week where students celebrate Baulkham Hills High School's spirit and sense of community. Unfortunately, the weather impeded the scheduled running of Quidditch on the Monday, but the rain did little to dampen the general morale. Tuesday was a huge success, where the SRC hosted the Spirit Week carnival which included food stalls, photobooth and a chance to participate in the sponge throwing competition. The massive turn out was successful in allowing for greater student interactions. On Wednesday the SRC distributed free jelly cups, which was extremely popular with the students. Thursday, there was a former student who visited Baulkham Hills High School, to perform a highly anticipated magic show where a golden ticket was given out. This special ticket gave them free admission to spring fling on Friday. This was by far the highlight of the week, where students gathered in the TLC to enjoy a night of music and fun. Outside, students ran food stalls which included a range of treats such as macaroons, boba milk tea and SRC's own sausage sizzle. The night concluded with the highly anticipated fireworks which left students and teachers in awe. Overall Spirit Week was a memorable time for the students of Baulkham Hills high school.

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Spirit Week Photos



Talented Art Student Camp, Years 7 -10

The NSW Department of Education is organising a Visual Arts camp - details as follows.

Date: 5 – 7 November, 2018

Venue: Blue Gum Lodge, Springwood 2777

Arrival time: 8:30am, 5 November, 2018

Departure time: 2:30pm, 7 November, 2018

Cost: \$320 (Includes cost of two nights' accommodation, food, tutors and materials.)

The closing date for applications is 14 September 2018.

Interested students are encouraged to apply.

Further information and application forms are available from the Visual Arts Faculty.

Mr Hopper

Head Teacher Visual Arts

Wear It Purple Day

On Friday the BHHS Spectrums group celebrated our third annual 'Wear it Purple Day' at Baulko. Wear it Purple was founded in 2010 as a response to bullying and harassment of rainbow young people in schools. Wear It Purple's mission is to foster supportive, safe and accepting environments for LGBTIQA+ young people. The Spectrums group sold purple wristbands and badges as well as offering purple face painting at recess and lunch. We raised \$211.45 to be donated to the Wear it Purple Association. It is fantastic that so many people donated money to this worthy cause, however the main purpose of the day is to raise awareness rather than funds. It was lovely to see so many members of staff wearing something purple as this is just one of the ways to help LGBTIQA+ young people to see that they that they are safe, supported, accepted and empowered within the school and society.



Band News

Band members should be congratulated for their fantastic performances at the NSW School Band Festival on Sunday. They all sounded fabulous. Thank you to conductors Ms Burrows, Mr Watkins and Mrs Lesa Groves for this special Fathers' day treat held at the Sydney Conservatorium.

The following results were achieved:

Junior Band - silver award

Senior Band- silver award

Concert Band- silver award

Stage Band - silver award



Our next performance for all bands, orchestra and string ensemble will be at the Christmas Concert on Thursday November 22nd in the Houlston.

Orchestra will be performing at the Prefect Induction on Tuesday morning.

SAVE THE DATE- Audition Day for Junior and Senior members wishing to progress to the next level will be held on Saturday 1st December. More information regarding audition requirements and registration will be emailed shortly.

The Band Committee



Tournament of Minds Sydney West Regional Finals 2018

Last Sunday, 26th August, 56 students from Baulkham Hills High School competed in the Sydney West Regional Finals for Tournament of the Minds. There were 58 teams competing in the regional finals, that's over 400 students in competition. Teams competed in two separate challenges, one of which they have 6 weeks to prepare a solution for, in the form of a 10 minute dramatic performance, and the other was an unseen challenge that they were given on competition day and had 5 minutes to creatively solve it as a team in front a panel of judges. Baulko competed across all four categories (Social Science, STEM, The Arts and Language Literature), with multiple teams in each of those categories.

To prepare for the tournament, teams have been training since the beginning of the year, they have been spending two hours after school every week in training, they have spent the majority of their lunch times together for the last 6 weeks, spent weekends rehearsing and given up an enormous amount of their own personal time preparing for tournament. A lot of hard work, stress and effort went into each team's preparation for tournament, and I can tell you that it absolutely paid off for them. All eight teams presented fantastic solutions to their challenges and really demonstrated abstract and innovative thinking. Not only that, but teams supported each other throughout the day, even when competing against each other – they still went and cheered their competition on, which is a testament to the camaraderie and respect these students have forged this year. Their conduct and efforts last weekend certainly did Baulkham Hills proud. As their facilitator I could not be prouder of the effort they have contributed this year – I really am so lucky to be able to watch these students push their limits, try new things and exceed even their own expectations. Once again, it has been an honour to work with them all this year!

This year was particularly bittersweet, as we had a number of Year 10 students completing their last year of TOM this year. Many of these Year 10 students have been doing TOM with me since they were in Year 7. I have had the utter privilege of watching the grow into the exceptional, mature and resilient leaders they are today. These Year 10 students have shown unrivalled passion, perseverance and resilience for the past few years, and this year have led their teams superbly – showing their juniors the true meaning of great leadership. I thank these Year 10 students for making my job such a delight for the past four years, and for having such a profound impact on myself and all those students fortunate enough to work with them. They are remarkable individuals who are going to continue being fantastic leaders! **A final congratulations to the Year 10 Tournament of Minds Captains for 2018:**

Andy Park, Viraj Munasinge, Aishani Ravichandran, Melanie Liyanage, Jagman Sidhu, Palaash Rawat, Ayush Gupta, Keziah Sue, Emily Law, Manmeet Singh and Tejas Margapuram!

Moving onto results from the day! The competition awards Tournament Honours, which means that a team either came second overall or actually won one



of the challenges but didn't come out with the highest overall score, and of course there is Tournament Champions for first place.

I am very proud to announce that Baulko walked away with three Tournament Honours and Two Championships.

Tournament Honours went to the following teams:

Social Science – Parth, Omkar, Rohan, Melani, Dhvani, Shivani, Imran

Language Literature – Justina, Nathaanki, Shreya, Jessica, Nilay, Ethan, Aditya

STEM – Tejas, Manmeet, Yovela, Crystal, Rayna, Jasper, Raghaav



And the two spectacular winning teams were:

Language Literature – Aishani, Melanie, Meera, Manasvi, Riya, Kaviya, Hiya

The Arts – Keziah, Abigail, Emily, Aniketh, Abinesh, Raahul, Aaradhya



These two teams now progress to the State Finals in two weeks, where they will meet a very different type of challenge. We wish them luck!!!

Thank you to all the parents who have supported their child's involvement in Tournament of Minds for 2018. Your support is greatly appreciated and allows these students to soar to new

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heights every single year! I am extremely humbled and proud to be able to work with such fine and wonderful individuals.

Until next year!

Terryanne Fletcher, TOM Facilitator



Careers News

Year 12 Careers Update

1. **Castle Hill Library open exclusively for HSC students Sundays prior to HSC (7, 14, 21, 28 Oct 9:30-1pm)** <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/hsc-study-on-sundays-tickets-49462205789?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>
2. **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 www.uac.edu.au. If you haven't received your UAC PIN, please ensure you have an email address recorded in your NESA account and follow up with UAC if you haven't received it.

- [How to Apply Video](#)
- [Checklist](#)
- **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.

If you are applying for any type of **bonus points (EAS/EAP)** please let Ms Hardy know asap.

If you are applying for **SRS (early entry schemes)** please submit this online after you have submitted your UAC app.

If you are applying for **scholarships** please come and see me with draft applications. PowerPoint slides have been emailed to those students who attended the Scholarships Seminar.

If you are undertaking the **UNSW Law Admission Test (LAT)** please see me with draft essay responses if you would like feedback.

3. **Macquarie University Actuarial Studies Co-op & Accounting Co-op Talk Thurs 6 Sep LIBRARY**

4. **School Deadline for UNSW Co-op 7 Sep**

Open Days & Info Sessions

[Hearspace – HSC Chat - NSW](#)

[Randwick City Library – How to Succeed in the HSC – NSW](#)

[Defence Force Australia – Army Reserve Info Sessions](#)

[UTS – HSC Live Q & A's](#)

Workshops & Courses

[Western Sydney University – Design Portfolio Day](#)

[Western Sydney University – Social Sciences Week –](#)

[Anthropology Day](#)

[Sutherland Shire Libraries – HSC Biology](#)

[Sutherland Shire Libraries – HSC PDHPE](#)

Competitions & Scholarships

[University of New South Wales – Scholarships](#)

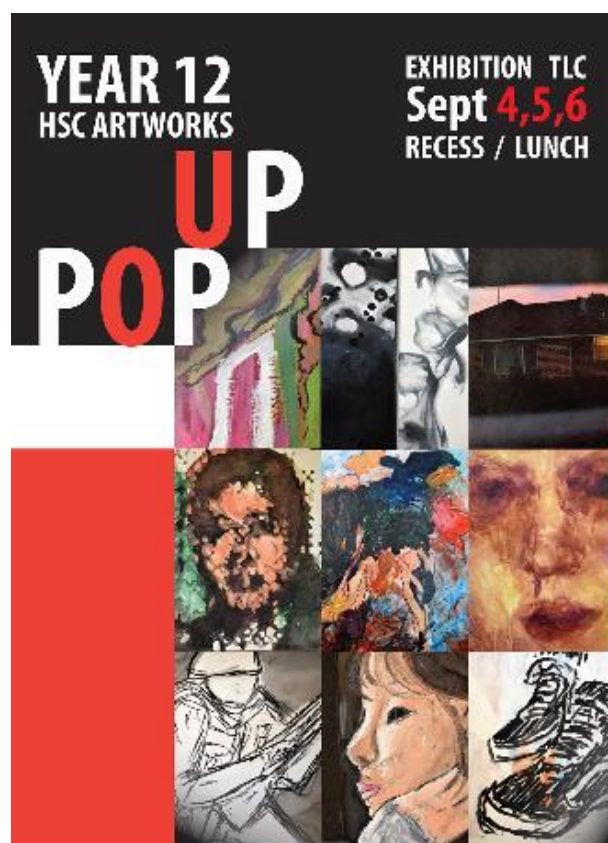
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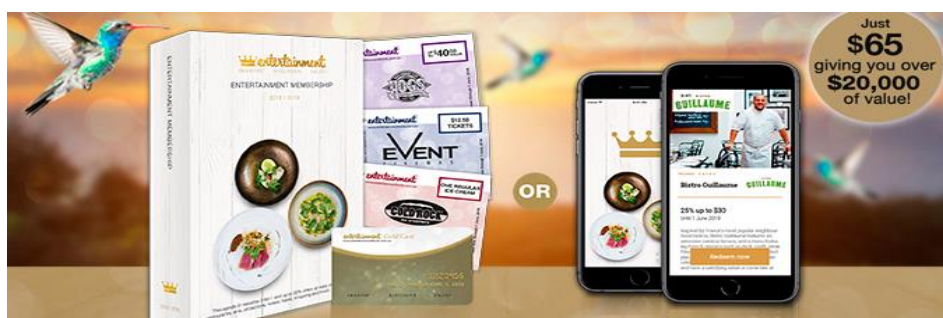
[University of Sydney – HSC Preparation \(Years 10-12\)](#)

[HSC in The Holidays](#)

[Georges River Libraries – HSC LOCK-IN](#)

[Castle Hill Library – HSC Study on Sundays](#)





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