

## **BSHS Newsletter – Term 1 - Issue 1 – 2018**

### **From the Principal**

Our school year commenced with an assembly in the amphitheatre, where we welcomed new staff, students and their families into the Bunbury Senior High community. It was a magnificent setting with more than 1000 people gathered to witness proceedings. We also introduced the 2018 Prefects and House Captains to the school and the audience was treated to an outstanding address by Megan Lowe, Head Girl and Zeke Tinley, Head Boy.

An important focus for our school are the values which underpin the way we work as a school community. Our values are Learning, Collaboration, Diversity, Courage and Wellbeing.

I spoke to the audience about the significance of 2018 as the 100th year since Bunbury High was established. Although the current school building is dated 1923, the school commenced in 1918, on the corner of Arthur and Stirling Streets. On Saturday of the long weekend in March (3 March) there will be an open day from 9am to 1pm. Visitors can tour the school, view the historic displays in decades and relax on the front lawn or in the amphitheatre listening to a variety of musicians. There will also be food and drinks and memorabilia on sale.

The P&C will be presenting every student with a commemorative badge and we are hoping these will be available to present on 2 March. More information on the events of that weekend can be found on the school web page.

Again, welcome to all new members of our community. I wish everyone an enjoyable and successful 2018.

Mr Craige Pettit, Principal

### **Administration**

#### **Centenary Celebration Day**

As has been outlined above, the school will be celebrating its 100th anniversary with students on Friday 2 March. The program for the day includes a special assembly, a brief tour of exhibitions arranged throughout the school and entertainment at lunchtime. Otherwise it is a normal school day for students, including the start and finish times and expectations around uniforms.

Parents with any further questions about arrangements for the day should contact me.

Mr Ian Lockhart, Vice Principal

### **Connect for Parents**

The school has provided information to students and parents via the Connect website for a number of years. In Week 1, new parents and those who have yet to register with Connect were emailed login details to enable access.

Later this term students and parents will be able to view an even greater range of information on Connect, including real-time assessment results and achievement data. Once available, this

information will be a key mechanism through which parents will be informed of their child's ongoing progress. Parents with concerns about their child's performance in an individual assessment task, or overall, will then be able to contact the school to discuss the matter further.

More details on updates to the Connect functionality will be forwarded in the near future.

Mr Ian Lockhart, Vice Principal

## **OLNA**

Some students in Years 10, 11 and 12 will be required to sit the OLNA commencing in Week 6 through until end of Week 8.

OLNA stands for the Online Literacy and Numeracy Assessment. In order to demonstrate the required literacy and numeracy standards for the Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE), some students are expected to sit this assessment. The School Curriculum and Standards Authority (SCSA) awards the WACE at the end of Year 12 to students who have met all the requirements. You can find more about the requirements on the Authority website at [www.scsa.wa.edu.au](http://www.scsa.wa.edu.au).

Students that are required to sit OLNA will be advised and a schedule provided. Catch up sessions will also be made available should a student be absent on day of their scheduled testing. Students will have the opportunity of practice sessions in Week 6.

## **School Photo Day**

School Photo Day will be held on Monday 26 February. Student photo envelopes have been distributed to students through homeroom. Students absent on Monday 26 February will have a catch up opportunity on Monday, 12 March. Students must present their envelope to the Photographer on the day, regardless if they are ordering photos or not.

Mrs Kylie Ward, Manager Education Services

## **Lower School**

### **Year 8 Immunisation Program**

Year 8 students will receive Diphtheria, Tetanus & Pertussis vaccine on Tuesday, 27 February. Only those students with parental consent for vaccination will be vaccinated at school. Any students not vaccinated at school for any reason can be vaccinated at their GP surgery.

Mrs Kylie Ward, Manager Education Services

### **Year 8 - \$20 BOSS & Market Day**

As part of their Economics and Business course, Year 8 students have the opportunity to develop a business idea for Market Day. Market Day is Friday 23 March 2018 which is in Week 8 of Term 1.

Just as we ask students to reflect on their previous business in Year 7, so too have I, as the Coordinator. The weather I cannot control, but providing more shade is in progress with marquees

and I am exploring the hire of a cold store. Market Day is a big event and lots of planning and coordination contributes to the day. We have melted (Year 7, 2017) and drowned (Year 7, 2016) and my message to the students, is be prepared.

Our experience from last year with the Year 8 students was how much they had learned, and how much better they were organized. I hope this will be replicated with this year's entrepreneurs and business success occurs.

Market Day can be a challenging experience for students and parent support is essential, and we thank you for this. Please feel free to call me to clarify any questions.

Mrs Kerry Kerr, PC Humanities

## **Senior School**

### **Combined University Presentation for Parents and Students**

Representatives from four of the WA Universities will be running a parent information session. If you have any questions about courses, alternative entry pathways, application processes, how much it will cost, and what to expect, come along to the session.

WHEN: Wednesday 21 February 2017, 5.30pm

WHERE: Bunbury Senior High School Library

For more information contact: Amber Paulger at [a.paulger@ecu.edu.au](mailto:a.paulger@ecu.edu.au) or phone 6304 6304.

Ms Kelly Anderson, Deputy Principal

## **Studiosity**

FREE study help, anywhere. Get live help online in Maths, English, Science and more.

All senior school students were given an activation card for Studiosity with instructions to activate your free account. If misplaced, a replacement card is available in Administration.

Studiosity is now also available on mobile.

This app can be downloaded from Apple App Store or Google Play. Download the app so you can:

- Save a question for later
- Snap & upload a photo of a problem
- Get notifications and review your writing feedback
- Use voice to text
- Review past sessions

Mrs Kylie Ward, Manager Education Services

## **VET Success**

Bunbury Senior High School would like to congratulate students who have achieved an apprenticeship or traineeship recently. The VET pathway has a proven success rate and we look forward to working with the 2018 cohort of enthusiastic students, who have had a good start to the

program this year.

We'd like to hear from other students who are well on their way to a fulfilling career journey.

If parents or guardians have any questions about Workplace Learning or are able to host a student at their workplace, please contact Ms Chambers at the school.

Ms Liz Chambers, WPL Co-ordinator

## **All Students**

### **Languages - Indonesian**

Bunbury Indonesian students will have the opportunity to speak with and learn from a native speaker of Indonesian on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Mr Fadila will be our Language Assistant in classes and you will hear your children refer to him as Pak Anwar. Mr Fadila is working across three schools in our district and will be with us for all of 2018.

Mrs Kerry Kerr, PC Humanities

### **Homework Club 2018**

In order to support students' learning and to assist them to reach their potential we encourage all families to support our 'Homework Club' that operates Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 3.00-4.15pm in our school library. Each day there will be a minimum of two teachers from the Humanities/English and Maths/Science areas who can help students with their homework or assessment tasks.

Please encourage your child to utilise this fantastic service and beautiful venue. The library is air conditioned and our staff are only too willing to help your child reach their full potential.

Ms Liz Poller & Mrs Leanne Risdon, Career and Vocational Education, and Mr Peter Barratt, Mathematics Teacher

## **Community**

### **Teen Triple P Parenting**

Come along to free parenting sessions offered through Bunbury Senior High School and Department of Health in Term 1 2018. The teen series is for every parent of children 10 to 16 years old. This evidenced based program discusses ways parents can support their teen to become responsible, competent adults, whilst maintaining positive connection and relationships. You can choose one, two or all of the seminars!

SEMINAR ONE:	Raising Competent Teenagers	March 14th	4:30pm - 6pm
SEMINAR TWO:	Raising Responsible Teenagers	March 21st	4:30pm - 6pm
SEMINAR THREE:	Getting Teenagers Connected	March 28th	4:30pm - 6pm
FACILITATORS:	Nina (School Psychologist) and Penny (School Nurse)		
VENUE:	Bunbury SHS School Library Conference Room		

Please contact Nina or Penny to register.

Ms Nina Mastrantonio, School Psychologist

### **P&C News**

We are currently busy preparing for a sausage sizzle at Bunnings Bunbury on Sunday 25 February to raise funds to purchase 100th Anniversary badges for every student in the school. We need a few more volunteers to assist us for the day. Please call Geoff Ogden on 0431021488 if you can help out.

On Friday 2 March we plan to present the badges to students at the 9am Anniversary assembly and then on Saturday morning 3 March we will be running a sausage sizzle on the front lawn as part of the Anniversary weekend celebrations.

On Wednesday 7 March at 6pm at the school library we will be holding our AGM. There are a few positions vacant and whilst the existing office holders are happy to manage the business and organisational side of the P&C, we are looking for someone to fill the Vice President role to be purely involved in organising events or fund-raising activities.

On Wednesday 21 March we will hold a General Committee meeting at 6pm followed by Nola Marino's famous Cyber Safety briefing from 7pm. We feel this is something that parents of all students might be interested in. Nola is very engaging and the briefing presents a lot of information regarding potential issues parents and children could experience with the internet.

Mr Geoff Ogden, P&C President

### **Communication**

#### **Correct Contact Details**

It is important to keep the school updated with your current email address as student information is often distributed in this format. Please notify the school if you have changed your email or wish to identify another email address as your preferred point of contact.

### **Social Media**

Bunbury SHS Facebook Page. Join us on Facebook! We regularly update our page with notifications of school and community news & events. [www.facebook.com/BunburySHS/](http://www.facebook.com/BunburySHS/)

We are also now on **Twitter** @BunburyShs

### **Student Achievement**

We want to get to know our students and school community better and hear all about your life out of school. If you have been kicking goals out in the community - whether you've had sporting success, are volunteering somewhere fun, or have an interesting or unusual hobby we want to know about it. Email [Kylie.ward3@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Kylie.ward3@education.wa.edu.au) and you might be featured on our Facebook page in the near future.

Mrs Kylie Ward, Manager Education Services

## **Chaplain's Corner**

I hope you have had a good start to the year and if your child is new to Bunbury High I hope they have transitioned well.

I am a support to students, staff and parents/carers. I am full-time at Bunbury High, and have an office in Student Services. Feel free to contact me at the school if I can be a support to you or your child.

I have Spirit United Holiday Camp brochures for the next school holidays:

- CHIC Camp in Albany for girls in Year 7-10
- Glen Echo Camp in Albany for students in Year 8-10
- Wild camp hiking from Walpole to Nornalup for Year 10-12

There are also Spirit United Leavers Camps in Ningaloo & Melbourne for Yr 12's after the final ATAR exams. Feel free to collect a brochure if you are interested.

Deon Throne, Chaplain

## IMPORTANT DATES

20 February 2018	Board Meeting, 5.30pm
21 February 2018	Combined Uni Parent Evening, 5.30-6.30pm
21 February 2018	Interschool Cricket
21-23 February 2018	Year 7 BEST Camp
23 February 2018	Combined Uni Visit, Yr 12 Presentation, Pd 4
26 February 2018	School Photo Day
27 February 2018	Year 8 Immunisation, Pd 3&4
28 February 2018	Interschool Cricket
28 February 2018	Interschool Swimming Trials, Pd 4&5
2 March 2018	Bunbury High in Decades
3 March 2018	Bunbury Senior High School Open Day
3 March 2018	BSHS Centenary Dinner – Hotel Lord Forrest – 7pm
6-16 March 2018	OLNA Testing
8 March 2018	Year 12 Economics Forum, Murdoch University
10 March 2018	Senior School Ball
12 March 2018	School Photo Catch up Day
12-23 March 2018	Year 12, Workplace Learning
13-14 March 2018	Year 11, Outdoor Education Snorkelling
14 March 2018	Year 9-12, Youth Literature Day at BCGS
16 March 2018	Young Writer's Day, BSHS PAC
17 March 2018	GAT Testing
19 March 2018	2019 BEST/VASP Applications open
20 March 2018	Board Meeting, 5.30pm
23 March 2018	Hawaiian Ride for Youth
23 March 2018	Year 8 HASS Market Day
26 March 2018	Interhouse Athletics Carnival
30 March – 3 April 2018	Good Friday, Easter Monday & Tuesday
4 April 2018	Nola Marino visit - HaSS
5 April 2018	Between the Lines
9-10 April 2018	Year 7 GAT Camp
10 April 2018	Year 12 Sport & Rec Surfing Camp
11 April 2018	Parent Interview Afternoon & Evening
11 April 2018	Whole School Assembly
13 April 2018	Whole School Assembly – ANZAC Service – Pd4
14 April 2018	School Holidays commence