

2000

The school was announced as attaining the highest percentage of year 12s gaining first preferences at university in the state.

For the third year in a row we won the 3 shields at the Interschool Athletics as well as the Senior Speech Individual Award at Country Week.

Students won the French Government scholarship to Reunion Island, the BPW scholarship and again went on the Leeuwin.

Val Knott, an S & E teacher, was honoured at the State 3R 2000 Awards for his efforts with OSCAR and the rehabilitation programme on Boulters that he initiated.

A sad moment was when the palm tree from the circular garden was lost.

A year 8 camp was held at Merribrook.

Yannick Cucca, a year 9 student, won the "make A Book" competition with a 27 chapter book called "The Battle For Justice".

Bullying workshops were held.

Glyn Parry, former teacher and now author, visited students.

A year 10 Discovery programme was initiated.

The Gwaba Modelling Group paraded at events, including the Royal Show.

3 students went to the National School's Convention in Canberra.

Work Studies ran a Body Boarding Competition, Classe Café and Rubber Ducky carwash.

Forrest won the athleticsagain!

Students achieved first place in 6 areas in the Interschool Triathlon.

2001

Mrs Saunders, our first female Principal, left at the end of the year to establish the new community school at Eaton.

Sadly we lost one of our wonderful office ladies, Rhonda Brennan, to cancer.

The Governor of W.A., John Sanderson, visited the school.

A student Council was established.

The year 8 camp was held at Wilyabrup.

The school hosted visiting practice teachers from Miami University, USA.

The 'It's Academic' team made it to the third round on the TV programme.

Amelia Mibus won the Rotary Spoeech contest.

Activities included : Healthy Breakfast week; driver training; Leeuwin sailing; Murchison Gorge camp; Outward Bound; Bayliss Youth Lecture.

Forrest won.....yet again!

Four awards came to the school in the Visions Exhibition, the highest number ever to one school. Art also established a partnership with the Dolphin Discovery Centre.

Jonno and Jethro Hepton, our cerebral palsy students, embarked on a research tour to Bali to look into aspects of overseas travel for the disabled.

2002

There were a number of significant staff departing – Ian Baxter, David Francis, Kel Clayden, Ron Powell.

More visiting teachers from the USA came to help out for a term.

A year 8 camp was held at Mornington.

OSCAR became part of the year 9 and 10 S&E curriculum. This year's focus was on revegetation and development of Boulter's Heights.

Activities: Young Leader's Programme, Hmmarskjold Trophy competition, Gala and Variety nights, LOTE camp at Bridgetown, Down South Writer's Festival, Reunion Island visit, drama production "Cosi".

On the 13th December a Challenge Day was held for year 10 – with grants from the Drug Education Project and Smarter Than Smoking the students enjoyed a full day of alternative, challenging activities and presented an expo for the public.

Geoff Sara (ex-student 1942 – 46) returned a very overdue library book "Teach Yourself Meteorology" with a cheque for \$1000 (not because of a guilty conscience but because of his fond memories of a great school!)

Niall Leigh attended a National Youth Science Forum in Johannesburg, South Africa , visiting Los Angeles, London and Capetown on the way!

Josh Brown won the Sangara Scholarship, enabling him to study languages at the Sorbonne University in Paris.

Tenielle Woodward – U/13 State Athletics team and All Schools State team' Hayley Harris represented Australia in the International Tae KwonDo championships in Korea, receiving a bronze and silver.

Forrest won..... becoming monotonous!

2003



The school celebrated 80 years on the hill with a range of nostalgic activities.

The year 8 camp, held at Mornington, was a huge success.

Students in years 8 and 9 were given the opportunity to be in a TAGS programme – Talented and Gifted. The students worked on individual projects which involved using technology. Their projects were then presented to the entire school.

The renowned author of “The Book Thief”, Marcus Zusak, held a writer’s workshop to demonstrate original writing – based on ‘stealing’!

A select group of year 10 students attended a Global Citizenship Conference on Human Rights, Poverty and Environmental Issues in Perth.

Year 11 students participated in Outward Bound at Walpole. Students camped, developed leadership skills, learnt communication and navigation skills, community service, rafting and high ropes.

The Chaplain ran a Peer Leadership programme for year 8s which involved year 11 students acting as mentors on a weekly basis for the new students.

Students participated in the Hammerskjold Trophy, which focussed on International Politics and was sponsored by the United Nations Youth Association of W.A.

A Band Camp held in Perth culminated in a successful band competition.

A Gala Night was held to showcase drama, dance and music performances. A very successful production of “Summer Rain” was put on by year 12s. Drama students

travelled to Burswood to see “Mamma Mia”. In fourth term a Cabaret Night was successfully held.

The Year 8 OSCAR team restored Boulders Heights and developed an Xeriscape.

A special year 8 student, Rachel Telini, met the crew of “Home and Away” as part of the “Make a Wish” foundation.

Three surfing teams represented the school at the SW Regional Surfing Competition in Cowaramup Bay.

BSHS won both the Upper and Lower School Shields in the Interschool Athletics.

2004

Peter Silinger, HOLA of Society and Environment for 20 years, retired.

Michael Palandri of year 10 participated in the Sir Charles Court Leadership Programme to develop his team and leadership skills. Michael would go on to become Head Boy two years later.

Five of our year 10 girls were champions in the State Rowing, with Hannah Jones being selected in the U/17 W.A. Rowing Team.

Advanced Standing was introduced into the school to enable students to develop leadership and community skills.

The new Design & Technology facilities were officially opened on the 24th February.

Michael Palandri reached the final of the Anzac Speech Competition for W.A.

Year 10 Art students were involved in the Three Waters Festival as well as painting a large banner which was hung in St George’s Terrace, Perth.

Michaela Bowles won the best painting award in the Visions Exhibition.

Year 12 Drama students showcased the play “Away”.

Again Music held a Cabaret Night, Spaghetti Night, Gala Night, PAC concerts and attended the Blues Festival. The Choir won their division in the Bunbury Eisteddfod.

The 1998 dux, Nathan Hobby, launched his first major novel, “The Fur”, at the school. Nathan has since won prizes for his writing.

Pasan Tennakoon of year 11 won a place in a 2 week science based camp in Canberra.

Forrest won the Athletics Carnival... again!

Tenielle Woodward of year 10 continued to shine in the sporting arena, being the State Champion in the 400m, 800 and 1500m races.

OSCAR students won the State Environmental Coastal & Marine Awards, and were also finalists in the Australia wide Banksia Awards. They received a \$5000 grant from Coast West for their efforts.

2005

Storms (tornado) on May 16th affected the school – power lines were fallen, trees damaged, roof damage and water problems meant the school was closed for the day – the first time this had ever happened.



A new entrance for the school was developed, with work being done by the D & T department.

The plans for a new Library and Administration were prepared.

The Governor of W.A., Lieutenant General John Sanderson and his wife visited the school. The Governor was the Head Boy of the school in 1957 and was delighted to receive copies of his upper school reports!

Hayres Family Scholarship	
2005	Taneika Handley
	Alice Rotheram
2006	Vanessa Brandis
2007	Emily Abbott
2008	Jessica Williams
2009	Emma Thompson
2010	Jane Bromley
2011	Ellie Deighton

The Hayres Scholarship was set up for year 12 students who excelled in sport, academia and community service.

SAL students renovated room 22. Sarah Garbelini and Tayla Hadden won scholarships for the Alcoa Future Women of Industry programme.

Five year 10 boys graduated from the GATE programme – GATE referring in this instance to Gaining Access to Training and Employment.

The Barking Gecko Theatre Company performed to the year 10 – 12 students.

The year 8/9 students in OSCAR landscaped the school grounds and regenerated sand dunes along the Upper Esplanade.

The BEACH programme was introduced to provide students with learning in a creative, independent and higher order thinking environment. Affiliations with ECU and writers were developed as part of this programme.

Music – hosted the inaugural JAZZWA camp. Concert at Art Gallery. Twilight concert. Cabaret Night. Lunchtime concerts. Bunbury Show. Conservatorium evening concert. Played with A. Police Pipe Band. Queens Cup. Bridgetown Blues. Gala Night a very busy year!

Bethany Chia won the Upper School Painting award at the Iluka Visions.

Dance held a Montage Night and performed also at the Gala Night, the Eisteddfod and ACHPER Festival.

Year 9 Indonesian students performed shadow puppet plays at Capel Primary School, while 4 students travelled to Reunion Island in the Indian Ocean and stayed for 4 weeks to practice their French.

Tom Mason of year 10 was selected to compete in the National Maths Olympiad.

Clifton won the Athletics Carnival.

The West Coast Eagles visited, including coach John Worsfold – and teachers were more successful in getting their photo taken with them than students!



The school again won both the Upper and Lower School Shields in the Interschool Athletics.

Jamie Fowler and Tienielle McGill of year 11 represented the State in rowing at the Australian National Rowing Championships.

Chris Gulvin of year 11 won his second National title in rifle shooting, while Tienielle Woodward won, and set records, in the 400m, 800m and 1500m at the State Championships.

Janelle Jurgenson of year 12 win gold in Kuala Lumpur as apart of the W.A. State Athletics Team.

Our football girls won the Siren's Cup.

2006

Year 12 Work Studies set up an amazing enterprise “Joining Generations”, whereby Upper School students formed a relationship with Wattle Hill Lodge, an retirement facility. Students attended the Lodge each week and held activities with the residents (scrap booking, technology, bingo). Brilliant relationships and memories were made due to the wonderful efforts of Mrs Poller and Mrs Risdon.

The Bunbury Extension And Challenge (BEACH) students had an eye opening experience at the Police Forensics Laboratory, as well as an author visit by Patricia Bernard.

OSCAR were busy revegetating the school and Boulter’s Heights as well as reticulation near Boulter’s Lookout.

Seven students were fortunate enough to go on the Leeuwin Ocean Adventure .

Students won UNSW awards in the International Competitions & Assessments for schools.

Music was again very active – Jazz workshops, Concert Band, Cabaret Night, outside gigs (ECU, Rotary clubs, wineries, caryard openings, festivals and forums, Perth Band Festival, Soup & Sweets night, Jazz Festival, Gala Night, and hosted the Queen’s Cup competition.

Dance & Drama – Eisteddfod, Dynamic Fusion, ACHPER and Gala Night were the highlights for this group.

Early Childhood Studies set up a Playgroup in terms 2 and 3 which saw young tots attending high school for arranged activities.

Plans were progressing for the new Library.

A Library Reading Café was established.

Indonesian classes fundraised to sponsor the Bali Orphanage. Shadow plays were performed for Coinda and South Bunbury Primary students.

Wollaston won the Athletics carnival.

B.S.H.S. won the Upper and Lower School Shields in the Interschool Athletics.

2007

This was the first year of compulsory schooling for year 11s.

There was a teacher shortage.

A new school vision called IDEAS was developed, resulting in a new motto – “Going Forward Together To Broad Horizons” which incorporated the past, present and future.

Planning For Success – teaching students study skills – began for Upper School students.

The year 10s participated in “Save A Life Day” and helped set a Guinness World Record for the largest CPR training session with 5000 others!

Students achieved terrific results in sport :

Sam Whiteman in U/16 Australian Schoolboys Cricket Team

State Representatives were Emma Stonard (hockey), Luke Deighton & Zoe Keller (basketball); Georgia Gibbs & Jamie Manktelow (rowing); Matthew Doherty (football).

The year 8 camp was cancelled so activity days were organised instead.

BEACH students created and filmed a series of short ‘crime scene’ narratives in year 8 while year 9s and 10s completed independent projects e.g. websites, CDs, clay animation movies, building computers. They all participated in a Stress Management Workshop.

Community Service/Citizenship of 20 hours a year was introduced so students worked at places such as Morrissey Homestead and College Row School.

The plans for the new Library went to tender.

3 Regional Youth Literature Day workshops were held for students.

French classes performed plays at Boyanup and Bunbury Primary Schools.

Art students were fortunate enough to attend seminars at BRAG.

Year 12 Drama – “Speaking In Tongues” was performed.

Dance – ACHPER, hosted the Arts Festival and performed for primary schools in the region.

Music – Bunbury Jazz Festival, visit by ex-student and singer Simon Phillips, Concert Band camp, Cabaret Night, Quiz Night, PAC concert, ‘Kaos at Koombana”, Perth Band Festival, Perth Jazz camp, Twilight Concert and Inaugural Arts Festival, but the highlight was definitely a tour to Malaysia in the July holidays where the band performed at schools and shopping centres.

The school became part of the Learning with ICT Project.

Scitech visited with “Maths Factory”.

Year 10/11 science students attended the Science Teacher’s Association of W.A. Adventure World Day.

The Society and Environment Department initiated the Sydney/Canberra tour in April.

Once again the Year 12 Work Studies students were actively involved with Wattle Hill Lodge.

Elite Performance was introduced to year 10s, a new fitness centre and technology lab were established in the gym.

Once again the school won the Upper and Lower School Shields in the Interschool Athletics.

2008



In recognition of the Bunbury Senior High School Aboriginal Students who participated in the 2008 Native Title Youth Forum

Mr Craig Pettit became the new Principal of B.S.H.S.

The IDEAS initiative developed the Six R’s for the school – Respect, Recognition, Relationship, Responsibility, Risk Taking and Relevance.

The new Library was built but not opened.

Industrial action taken by teachers meant there were no camps or Country Week, so students organised the School Ball themselves!

Sports Achievements included:

Sophie Turner – Australian hockey representative in team that played in Melbourne and South Africa; Guy Piggott in W.A. squash; Georgia Gibbs and Jamie Manktelow in W.A. rowing, Kyle Menzies WA Athletics; Ricky Marsh and Sam Whiteman in WA cricket, Zachary Atkinson and Emma Stonard in hockey; and Luke Deighton, Zoe Keller, Jeremy Paull and Shelby Waddingham in basketball.

Once again year 10s enjoyed the Leeuwin experience while year 9s went on Outward Bound.

Our Indigenous students won the National Native Title Youth Forum competition with their animated film. The photo shows the Artwork that was won by these students – this is now on display in the Library.

All year 9s did First Aid Training.

“Men in Sheds” programme was run for year 9 disengaged boys. This has led to the establishment of a fantastic programme called “The Shed”, run by Peter Fleming in an offsite building in Bunbury.

Community service included College Row, the Big Swamp Wildlife Park, Elanora Villas, Morrissey Homestead, Red Cross, Wellington Discovery Forest and Activ Foundation.

BEACH were involved in film making, game creation, projects like knitting, website making, crating superheroes etc. These were presented to staff, parents and students.

ATP ran for Advanced students in Maths, Science, S & E and English.

The Library staff packed up the old building’s contents and moved into their beautiful new building!

Creative writing workshops were held and visiting writers such as Matt Ottley, Catherine Bateson, Anthony Eaton and Kristy Murray addressed classes.

Upper school science students completed research projects hosted by the Scitech Discovery exhibition and CSIRO in the holidays.

Students won the Have Sum Fun competition and excelled in the Australian Maths Competition.

S & E students attended the Student Regional Parliament.

A Leavers DVD was produced for the first time. This was given to year 12 students on their Presentation Evening.

Dance & Drama – visit to Buzz Dance Theatre in Perth, saw the play “The APitch”, performed “Cosi” and the musical “Into The Woods”. A Midsummer Night’s Dream, Summer of the Seventeenth Doll and Lockie Leonard were also performed.

Music – all the usual events as Black Concert and WAYJO Concert.

There was no Athletics carnival due to industrial action so a walkathon was organised which fundraised for the Heart Foundation and the Chaplaincy Fund.

A student team entered the Surf to Surf Fun Run and were crowned team champions.

Year 12 Outdoor Education went camping at Murchison Gorge while surfing became a part of PE Studies.