

BSHS Newsletter – Term 2 - Issue 4 – 2018

From the Principal

The planning process for the new building which includes a cafeteria is now well underway and this week I was shown the almost final drawings.

The building includes two classrooms, an open space activity area, a modern cafeteria and a staff room. It will be located on the slope above the change rooms with the cafeteria on the top floor at the same level as the quadrangle.

The commencement date is not until later in the school year and we hope to occupy the building in Term 4 of 2019. This may seem a long time away, but I'm sure the wait for the facilities will be well worth it.

Whenever there is a building program, there will always be disruption to the school. The program most likely to be affected is Physical Education and we are working with the project team to minimise that disruption. Access to the bus shelters will also be affected and bus students will be advised in ample time of the paths they should use to access the buses.

I will continue to keep parents informed of our progress through this newsletter and via the BSHS Facebook site.

The Year 12 Presentation Ceremony this year will have a completely different flavour as we move the location to the Amphitheatre. There has been a temptation to do this for some time and the 100 Year anniversary of the school is considered a good time to make the move.

There is some work to be done on the Amphitheatre to make it accessible for all members of the school community. This includes the installation of railing and rectifying uneven steps. It is potentially a huge project and an ideal project for the school community to become involved with. I welcome contact from any business or contractor who sees an opportunity to contribute their services to the school to make this fantastic venue even better.

This week Year 7 and 9 students commenced NAPLAN. It is important that Year 9 students in particular, do their best to achieve a Band 8 which will pre-qualify them for the OLNA and set them on a path to achieve WACE when they reach Year 12. I wish them all well for the tests.

Mr Craig Pettit, Principal

Administration

Results from the March round of OLNA testing was made available to the school this week. Student's achievement in relation to OLNA will be reported in the end of semester reports. Should you wish to have information about your child's OLNA results ahead of that time, please email me at ian.lockhart@education.wa.edu.au

Mr Ian Lockhart, Vice Principal

Lower School

Year 10 to Year 11 Transition

All parents will be receiving some important information via email regarding Year 10 student transition into Year 11. Course counselling is underway, with students being presented information in an assembly on Friday 18 May and exploring course handbooks in their careers classes. The 2019 course handbook is available on our website.

A selection sheet will be included in the email, as well as important data about your child's academic results, to enable you to make the best decision possible for their senior schooling education. There will be a **Parent Information Evening on Thursday 24 May** in our Kingia building from 5.30 – 6.30pm.

Selection sheets need to be completed and handed into the Front Office by **Monday 28 May**.

Any parents who are unsure about how they should advise their child can make an appointment with Ms Anderson or Mr Walker.

Ms Kelly Anderson, Deputy Principal

Senior School

Free online study help for our students

Year 11 & 12 students from Bunbury Senior High School are lucky to receive free access to Studiosity, courtesy of Edith Cowan University, for after-hours one-to-one help with homework and study questions.

With half year reports upon us, now is the time to help your child get stuck into studying and improve their grades. The Studiosity service can help your child in two ways:

- **Writing Feedback:** Your child can upload any draft piece of writing and receive feedback that will help them think about and improve their own work.
- **Connect Live:** Your child can ask a question or draw a diagram and get immediate help via a live chat system with a qualified Subject Specialist, across all core subjects.

Studiosity can help with your child's study after school, on weekends and during holidays.

How to get started

Students can activate an account using a code available from the school (if not yet completed) and can then log into their account via www.studiosity.com/access to get started today.

Your child can also download the Studiosity mobile app, available in the Apple and Google Play stores, and link it to their account for extra features like saving a question for later, snapping a quick photo of a problem or using voice-to-text technology. Happy studying!

Mrs Kylie Ward, Manager Education Services

All Students

Communication

Correct Contact Details

It is important to keep the school updated with your current email address as student information is generally 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/

Parents of students in Specialist & GAT Programs, we now have a Facebook page for each of these programs:

- VASP - [Bunbury SHS VASP Program](#)
- BEST - [Bunbury SHS Best Program](#)
- GAT - [Bunbury SHS Gifted & Talented Program](#)

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 and you might be featured on our Facebook page in the near future.

Mrs Kylie Ward, Manager Education Services

School Community

Newly Appointed School Board Members

REBECCA REID

I have joined the School Board as a Parent Representative to support the Principal in the financial and strategic planning functions of the school. I will draw on my experience as an accountant, financial systems administrator and manager of a finance and administration team in various industry and local government roles. I hope that my contribution over the coming 3 years will free up resources within the school that will ultimately flow into the classroom.

JULIE BAIN

I look forward to being an active member of the School Board and being involved in a number of aspects of the school. I see my role as one of a supportive nature, offering my financial knowledge to help oversee all financial aspects of the school, including its control and accountability systems and approval of the annual budget. In conjunction with my fellow board members, I look forward to having input into the business plan to ensure a strategic approach to the school's future by setting major goals, policy frameworks and strategies.

WARREN TURNER

I have two children attending Bunbury Senior High School, and I have previously served a three-year term on the Bunbury Primary School Board from 2015-2017.

As a member of the Bunbury Senior High School Board, my main focus will be on social inclusion and asking questions to bring clarity to complex agenda items. The information gained should hopefully improve the Board's understanding of how its decisions may affect students and all members of the School community.

I have just completed a Bachelor of Health Science at Curtin University. The course-work from this degree has provided me with a thorough understanding of confidentiality and how to manage sensitive information. University has given me the opportunity to communicate and collaborate with a people from a diverse range of backgrounds and cultures. I appreciate the opportunity to work with all members of the Bunbury Senior High School community.

Canteen News

We are really in need of some extra volunteers. We have a lovely fun day whilst we get our jobs done. If you have any time between 10am and 2pm we would very much appreciate a call. The canteen can be contacted on 9781 2566.

Our current volunteers consist of 8 parents of students, 6 grandparents of students and 8 volunteers who have been coming for many, many years and include 2 past teaching staff. Some of our regulars are off on holidays, so we would be forever grateful for any time that you may be able to offer us.

As the cooler weather approaches, we are back into making our comforting homemade soups and offering the warmer foods that are always so popular.

Debbie McGinley, Canteen Manager

Health Promotion Officers

The Health Promotion Officers (HPOs) - Kavan, Emma, Saffron, Caitlin, Efua, Nicolien & Estelle under the caring guidance of Sarah O'Reilly and myself, Penny the nurse are producing some very informative and spectacular posters relating to our topic "SLEEP HYGIENE" for this year.

We are investigating the effects of caffeine, blue light technology and mental health issues which can drastically affect our sleep patterns and overall quality of sleep. Keep a lookout for our poster launches over the next few weeks, and if you would like to do some research, you can get it from www.sleephealthfoundation.org.au.

Penny Thornton, School Nurse

Chaplain's Corner

We are currently collecting cans for "Give a Damn, Give a Can" appeal. Students can hand them in during Home Room and each can is worth one House point. We will see which House is the most generous in this appeal. Thank you to the Prefects for helping me with the collection of cans.

I also have registration forms for the following Scripture Union Holiday Camps in the next school holidays:

- * Camp v's Wild in Kalbarri for students in Years 8 - 10
- * Blokes Camp in Busselton for boys in Years 7 - 10
- * Performing Arts Camp in Maida Vale for students in years 7 – 12
- * Cooina Camp in Busselton for students in Years 4 - 6

Mr Deon Throne, Chaplain

IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 2

15-25 May 2018	NAPLAN
21 May 2018	2019 Enrolments Open
21 May 2018	Year 10 VASP - Pathways to Enterprise, ECU (9am-12.30pm)
21-25 May 2018	Year 12 Exams
21 May – 1 June 2018	Year 11, WPL
22 May 2018	Board Meeting, 5.30pm
23 May 2018	Australian History Competition
23-27 May 2018	Bunbury Eisteddfod
24 May 2018	Year 10 Parent Information Night, Kingia Building, 5.30-6.30pm
25 May 2018	2019 BEST/VASP Applications close
28 May – 1 June 2018	Year 11 Exams
28 May 2018	Year 10 VASP - Pathways to Enterprise, ECU (9am-12.30pm)
30 May 2018	Youth Literature Day, BCGS
31 May 2018	WADL, Round 3
1 June 2018	Young Writer's Day, BSHS Library
4 June 2018	WA Day, Public Holiday
6 June 2018	Year 11, Outdoor Education, Canoeing
7 June 2018	WADL, make up round
11 June 2018	BEST Testing
11 June 2018	Year 10 VASP - Pathways to Enterprise, ECU (9am-12.30pm)
12 June 2018	VASP Testing
13 June 2018	P & C Meeting, 6pm
14 June 2018	Year 10 Meningococcal Immunisation
14 June 2018	WADL, Round 4
15 June 2018	Year 10, PBL Excursion Perth
18 June 2018	Year 10-12 Netball Cup
18 June 2018	Year 10 VASP - Pathways to Enterprise, ECU (9am-12.30pm)
19 June 2018	Board Meeting, 5.30pm
21 June 2018	Musical Showcase
21 June 2018	WADL, Round 5
22 June 2018	ECU Workshop, Visual Arts
25 – 29 June 2018	Country Week
25 June 2018	Year 10 VASP - Pathways to Enterprise, ECU (9am-12.30pm)
27 June 2018	Trees4Change – Year 9 & 10 students – Tree planting day
29 June 2018	Year 10 P.A.R.T.Y. Excursion
29 June 2018	Last Day of Term 2