

BSHS Newsletter – Term 2 - Issue 6 – 2017

From the Principal

The 2017 Country Week team departed our school on Sunday to defend the Champion School title they won in 2016.

Over 140 students have travelled to Perth to represent our school in a range of sporting teams as well as speech and debating. They have been training since last term and coaches are confident that their respective teams have been well prepared.

At an assembly on Friday 23 June we will wish the teams well and congratulate all of them, including their coaches for their preparation. In particular, I wish to acknowledge the staff who are attending this event. It is a huge commitment to be on call 24 hours a day for five days. Many staff will be away from young families during this time. Thank you to every one of you for supporting our school, and a special thank you to Mr Charles for managing the entire event for our school. Again, this is an enormous responsibility for which I have the utmost respect.

Country Week also signals the end of first semester, and I want to acknowledge all staff and students for their contributions to the school during the first half of the year. Our Year 7 group has settled in extremely well and general feedback from teachers is they are an enthusiastic and cooperative year group.

I have been very impressed with the work of our Prefects and congratulate them for the contributions they are making to the school, particularly in questioning and making recommendations on a number of processes that the group sees we can make some improvements.

The first semester reports are in the process of proof reading and for the first time they will be emailed to all parents who have an email address with us. The great advantage of this process is that all parents who receive emailed reports will have them before the end of term when previously we could not guarantee this. Parents who do not have an email address will have reports posted in the usual way.

I want to take the opportunity to wish all staff and students and their families a safe break from work and school and I look forward to your healthy return at the commencement of the second half of the school year. For students the first day back is Tuesday 18 July.

Mr Craig Pettit, Principal

Senior School

Meningococcal Immunisation

WA Health will conduct a school-based meningococcal vaccination program for students in Years 10, 11 & 12. The vaccine protects against 4 strains of meningococcal disease, including the particularly concerning 'W' strain. A single dose of vaccine will be given to students at the school who have returned their permission slips.

This immunisation program will be held on Tuesday, 22 August and students will be advised of their schedule via Daily Notices in homeroom.

Mrs Kylie Ward, Manager Education Services

Debating

Congratulations to Clare Beyboer, Jayden Winter and Norah Harkin who have now won all four of their debates in the Western Australian Debating League, (WADL), Regional competition. With one more on 22nd July, at Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School, this team is looking forward to continued success representing our school at Country Week.

They will be joined by Spiral McKenzie, Hannah Attwood and Jakeb Horvath in A Grade Speech, with Daniel Pinfold and Sasha Shaw competing in the B grade division.

Having been runner-up last year, I wish them well as they attempt to take out the Championship in 2017.

Mrs Tyril Houghton, CW Speech and Debating Coach

Lower School

Year 10 Work Experience

Year 10 students may wish to do some work experience in the school holidays before they commit to enrolling in a VET qualification for year 11. Insurance coverage is recommended and can be obtained from JSW Training on Bourke Street for a small fee. Workplace Learning is a school program for VET Certificate students in Years 11 and 12.

Ms Liz Chambers, WPL Officer

Community

School Communication

Email Communication – Our Preferred Method of Contact with Parents

Have you provided us with a current Email address? Bunbury SHS communicates primarily with parents and carers via email, this being a much more cost effective option, as well as ensuring that parents are kept up-to-date with important information in a timely manner.

Reports

Bunbury SHS will be emailing student reports to Parent/Guardians from 2017 onward for Semester 1 and Semester 2 reporting periods. If you do not receive your child's report via this method, please contact the school to update your contact details. Reports will also be available on Parent Connect once released.

Excursions

Invitations and approvals for excursions/incursions will also be managed and sent via our online excursion package Consent 2 Go. The online approval process allows you to update your child's most recent medical details as well as other personal details. We seek your support in ensuring that your email address is kept up-to-date at all times.

Please do not hesitate to contact Administration Staff on 9781 2500 to update your email address at any time.

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/

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

Mrs Kylie Ward, Manager Education Services

Student Achievements

Has your child achieved success outside of school i.e. sports, hobbies or in any other area? If so, we would love to hear from you and share with our school community on our Facebook page.

Please contact Kylie Ward on 97812500 or email details to kylie.ward3@education.wa.edu.au

Mrs Kylie Ward, Manager Education Services

Bunbury Library Bike Racks

We have a large number of high school students that use the bike racks at the Bunbury Library to store their bikes throughout the day. It's great that kids are exercising their way to school but some of the bikes are being stored in a way that creates a trip hazard for Library Patrons.

Please do not tie bikes up to the step railings that lead up/down to the Bunbury Library, this limits access to the railing for those that need it.

Please use the bike racks provided or alternatively use the bike racks located at school.

Administration

The Merchant of Venice

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A Shakespearean play performed by Bell Shakespeare

Bunbury Regional Entertainment Centre (BREC)

Saturday 5 August

7.30pm

\$30 per student (General public \$49)

Book directly by phone or in person at BREC and tell them you are a student at Bunbury SHS.

BREC: 1300 661 272

Your ticket also gets you free entry to a 75 minute Regional Access Workshop delivered by the Bell Shakespeare Company at BREC Monday 19 June, 3.30pm.

It is highly recommended that all Year 11 and 12 ATAR Literature, English and Drama students attend the play and workshop to support their understanding of drama.

BREC has worked closely with Bunbury Senior High School to offer this special price and combined workshop. Please inform Ms Barrett when you have made a booking so that we can monitor numbers attending.

Mr Mark Woodland, Deputy Principal

Chaplain's Corner

Well done to the Year 8 Humanities classes and the Humanities staff for a very successful Market Day. I really enjoyed the atmosphere on the day and seeing the students practicing customer service and team work skills.

I trust everyone will have a good and safe break in the school holidays.

Deon Throne, Chaplain Bunbury SHS

IMPORTANT DATES

26 – 30 June 2017	Country Week
26 – 30 June 2017	Year 11 & 12 Work Placement
28 June 2017	Youth Literature Day, BCGS
30 June 2017	Young Writers' Day, BSHS
30 June 2017	Last day Term 2
17 July 2017	School Development Day – Staff only
18 July 2017	Students resume – Term 3
19 July 2017	Whole School Assembly, Period 2
19 July 2017	Debating: Midterm Regional Trip
19 July 2017	ECU Exam Seminar Year 12 ATAR English & Lit Students
19 July – 28 July 2017	Year 10 Mentoring Sessions
20 July 2017	Debating: Round 6
20 – 21 July 2017	UWA Incursion
21 July 2017	2018 Enrolments close
24 July 2017	Year 12 Human Biology Zoo Primate Excursion
26 July 2017	TechTrails Year 7, 8, & 9 registered students only
27 July 2017	Australian Mathematics Competition
28 July 2017	AEF Opening a Door into Asia excursion
28 July 2017	Year 11 History Holocaust Museum excursion
31 July – 5 August 2017	BEST AIS Tour
1 August 2017	House Assembly, Period 4
1 August 2017	ICAS Testing, GAT Students only
1 August 2017	Australian National Chemistry Quiz – Years 7-12
2 August 2017	Chemistry Olympiad, Year 10 GAT
2 August 2017	P & C Meeting, Library 6pm
3 August 2017	Debating Grand Final
3 August 2017	AIME ECU Excursion Year 9/10
4-5 August 2017	RoboCup Competition
7 August 2017	Year 7/8 House Comp
7 August 2017	Biology Olympiad, Year 10 GAT
8 August 2017	Board Meeting, 5pm
8 August – 11 August 2017	All ensembles Camp Woodman Point
9 August 2017	Youth Literature Day, BCGS
9 August 2017	Interschool Surfing
9 August 2017	Physics Olympiad, Year 10 GAT
11 August 2017	Young Writer's Day, BSHS
14 – 16 August 2017	Outdoor Rec Hiking Camp
14 – 18 August 2017	Year 12, WPL - VET General Catch up