

BSHS Newsletter – Term 3 - Issue 8 – 2017

From the Principal

There have been some amazing achievements by students from Bunbury High recently. I will mention just a few.

First, our Boys Country Week Hockey team recently finished in third place in the David Bell Cup, and our Girls Hockey Team finished fourth in the Buchanan Cup. The teams were invited to these competitions following their success at Country Week. They were up against the metropolitan area's special hockey schools and other large city schools and, in that company, their results are excellent.

Jamie Richards, Year 11 has gained first place in an online Science Championship. He was a clear winner over competitors from around Australia, New Zealand and many students from international schools around the world. Again, an outstanding achievement.

A group of students in our GAT program in Years 7 to 10 competed in the Game Changer Awards in Perth. The group came away with the top seven places including People's Choice Award, Best Presentation and Best STEM Idea. The school also received \$2750 in prize money.

On to achievement of a different kind; the NAPLAN data has arrived in the school and parents should have received their child's results in the post. Our achievement as a school was very pleasing, particularly the advancement that has been made in the area of literacy in Year 9.

Our current Year 9 students have been with us since Year 7 and we have been particularly pleased with the progress students have made in their time at Bunbury High. Congratulations to all students in Years 7 and 9 for their results and a sincere thank you to those teachers who have been involved in supporting those students.

The long weekend in March 2018 has been set aside for the Bunbury High celebration of 100 Years since establishment. An Open Day at the school is being planned for Friday 2 March and all parents and members of the community will be able to come into the school and view a range of displays, each focusing on one decade in the life of Bunbury High.

The plan is for these displays to stay open for the Saturday morning when the celebration will continue with performances and a fair type atmosphere on the front lawn. We hope to hold a dinner or cocktail function later that evening.

Any parent who is a former student of the school who wishes to be involved in assisting with the organisation of the event should contact the school on 9781 2500 to have their details passed on to the organisers.

Mr Craige Pettit, Principal

Lower School

NAPLAN

Individual NAPLAN results were posted to parents of Year 7 and Year 9 students last week. If you have not received your copy or you need help to interpret the information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mr Ian Lockhart, Vice Principal

South West High School Lightning Carnival

On Thursday 21 September the Year 7 and 8 students will have the opportunity to represent the school in various sports at the South West High School Lightning Carnival.

Coaches will be calling for nominations in the coming weeks.

Sports available include:

Boys & Girls AFL
Boys & Girls Basketball
Boys & Girls Soccer
Netball
Mixed hockey

Mr Kyle Smith, HPE Teacher

Year 9 & 10 Subject Selections for 2018

Students currently in Year 8 & 9 would have received their 2018 Year 9 & 10 subject selection sheets along with the Lower School Curriculum Handbook. These sheets are due back on Friday, 1 September.

A copy of the 2018 Year 9 & 10 selection sheets and Lower School Curriculum Handbook can be found on our website.

Kylie Ward, Manager School Operations

Community

OLNA – Round 2

The second round of the 2017 Online Literacy and Numeracy Assessments (OLNA) will commence in Week 8 on Monday, 4 September. Students in Years 10 - 12 will be notified if they are required to be involved.

Successful completion of the OLNA is an essential element of the Western Australian Certificate of Education. Ms McQueen, the school's literacy and numeracy support teacher, has provided a range of practice activities for OLNA on Connect. Students are encouraged to take advantage of this extra assistance to ensure that they are thoroughly prepared.

Additionally the School Curriculum and Standards Authority provides access to practice and example tests on a secure website. The link is available on the Authority website at www.scsa.wa.edu.au under Years 11 and 12 > Assessment > OLNA > Practice and Example Tests.

If you would like to know more, please go to the Authority's website and look under Years 11 and 12 > Assessment > OLNA. There you will find more information, answers to frequently asked questions and a brief video.

Parents in need of any support relating to OLNA should feel free to contact me.

Mr Ian Lockhart, Vice Principal

Meningococcal ACYW Vaccination Program

The School-based Immunisation Nurses provided a vaccination clinic at Bunbury Senior High School on 22 August 2017 to vaccinate Years 10, 11 and 12 students. They will not be visiting the school again to provide this **free** vaccine.

If your child did not submit a consent form to receive the Meningococcal ACWY (Nimenrix) vaccine you can book an appointment at one of the following Community Health clinics:-

Harvey	Australind
Eaton	Bunbury Public Library
Prosser Street	Carey Park
Hudson Rd	Gelorup
Capel	

Please contact Immunisation Nurse Janene Naude to make an appointment on 9795 2814. Please note this school based vaccination is not being provided **free** by GPs.

Kylie Ward, Manager School Operations

Communication

Email Communication

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.

Invitations and approvals for excursions/incursions are managed and emailed 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.

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

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/

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

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 9781 2500 or email details to kylie.ward3@education.wa.edu.au .

Kylie Ward, Manager School Operations

Chaplain's Corner

40 Hour Famine - Well done to the following students who completed the 40 Hour Famine challenge this year:

Yr 7: Jarod Meijer, Jack Best, Terrence Cook, Hudson La'Brooy-McIver, Annabelle Heyworth, Myah Jennings, Lilly Anderson

Yr 8: Cooper Lange, Merrick Telder

Yr 9: Katharine Mulligan, Ruth Strong, Hannah Thomas, Sarsha Shaw

Certificates will be handed out at year assemblies before the end of term. Thank you all once again for taking up the challenge and supporting World Vision in their work.

Well done to Katharine, Ruth and Hannah who spoke on ABC radio about 40 Hour Famine on the Friday morning before it started.

I hope you are coping through the busy times at the moment. Please contact me at the school if I can be a support to you or your children.

Deon Throne, Chaplain

IMPORTANT DATES

28-30 August 2017	Outdoor Rec Hiking Camp
31 August 2017	Debating: British Parliamentary
31 August – 1 Sept 2017	Questacon Smart Skills – Yr 8
1 September 2017	Queens Cup Music Competition
1 September 2017	Staff v Student Leaders Basketball, Lunch 2, Gym
4 – 15 September 2017	OLNA Testing
4 September 2017	Student Leaders Challenge, 12.30pm -2.45pm
4 September 2017	Year 11 Politics & Law Students, Bunbury Courthouse visit
5 September 2017	Year 11 Politics & Law Students, Convention on Indigenous Recognition
5 September 2017	Board Meeting, 5pm
6 September 2017	Year 11 Politics & Law Students, Bunbury Courthouse visit
6 September 2017	P & C Meeting, 6pm, BSHS Library
7 September 2017	AIME ECU Excursion, Year 9/10
12 September 2017	Scitech Forensics Incursion, Criminology Students
13 September 2017	Music Showcase
13 September 2017	Whole School Assembly, P2
14 September 2017	YOH Fest
18 – 22 September 2017	Year 12 SIDE Exams
18 – 22 September 2017	Year 11&12 WPL, PAiS catch up
21 September 2017	Year 7/8 Lightning Carnival
22 September 2017	Year 12 VET/PAiS last day
22 September 2017	Year 12 Final Assembly, P1
22 September 2017	P.A.R.T.Y. Excursion
22 September 2017	Last day of Term 3
25 – 29 September 2017	WACE Practical Exams
2 – 10 October 2017	Year 12 Mock Exams
9 October 2017	Term 4 - School Development Day – Staff only
10 October 2017	Term 4 – Students resume
13 October 2017	Year 12 Farewell Dinner, Sanctuary Golf Resort
18 October 2017	Youth Literature Day, BCGS
19 October 2017	AIME ECU Excursion, Year 9/10
19 October 2017	Great Scott Fitzgerald Gatsby Unleashed Drama Excursion
20 October 2017	Year 12 ATAR Students – last day
20 October 2017	Year 11 VET Students – last day
20 October 2017	Young Writer's Day, BSHS