

BSHS Newsletter – Term 3 - Issue 8 – 2018

From the Principal

Late in the afternoon of Friday 10 August, our school was informed of the passing of Year 10 student Grace Huang, after a very brief illness. Grace was a much loved member of the school community, particularly by those staff and students connected with the Visual Arts Specialist Program. On behalf of the school community, I extend our sincere condolences to Grace's immediate and extended family.

The week that followed was incredibly difficult for many staff and students but I was pleased with the support that was available across the school.

A small group of Grace's close friends arranged an event at the school and gave students the opportunity to write a message to Grace's family. A fund raiser resulted in \$831 being generated in less than 30 minutes. This was an incredible effort by the girls and an indication of the wonderful students we have at this school. The funds will pay for a floral arrangement and the remaining funds will be left to the discretion of the girls who coordinated the event. I will advise the school community how this is to be spent once I have met with the group.

Year 10 students are getting very close to knowing what courses will be on their timetable in 2019. Ms Anderson and Mr Walker are working with those students who do not yet have a full timetable and I expect this work will be mostly completed by the end of term. Students who will not be at Bunbury High in 2019 should have advised either Ms Anderson or Mr Walker so their selections do not impact on other student choices. Parents of those students who have selected an ATAR Pathway are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the requirements of these courses so they are in a position to be able to support their child's choices and ensure these choices are in line with their current progress. Any enquiries regarding selections should be directed to Ms Anderson and Mr Walker.

Mr Craige Pettit, Principal

ADMINISTRATION

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)

Last week an email was sent to all parents/carers outlining the school's 2019 Bring Your Own Device Program. If you failed to receive this important communication, please contact me at ian.lockhart@education.wa.edu.au

Mr Ian Lockhart, Vice Principal

SENIOR SCHOOL

Workplace Learning Logbooks

Year 12 Logbooks for WACE credit are due on 21 September. Some students are not up to date with recording Workplace Learning hours and, in particular, Skills Journals. If you have any concerns about your child's progress, please contact me.

Ms Liz Chambers, WPL Co-ordinator

Year 12 Important Dates

Monday 20 August

- TISC information, handbooks and forms distributed

Week beginning 27 August

- Final OLN round for Year 12 students.

Date TBC

- Year 12 Dinner

Friday 14 September

- Students who are requesting a reference need to return their completed 'Application for a reference' form to Danelle Field in Student Services.

Wednesday 19 September

- VET students are required to have their clearance forms signed and completed to ensure all Bunbury Senior High School resources are returned.

Friday 21 September

- Year 12 Final Assembly Period 1.
- Year 12 VET and PAIS final day

Friday 28 September

- TISC applications must be completed to avoid a late fee

Monday 24 September – Friday 28 September

- WACE Practical Examinations (except Languages).

Monday 1 – Friday 5 October

- Year 12 Mock ATAR Examinations.

Friday 12 October – Friday 19th October

- WACE Practical Language Examinations.

Wednesday 17 October

- ATAR students are required to have their clearance forms signed and completed to ensure all Bunbury Senior High School resources are returned.

Friday 19 October

- Last day for Year 12 ATAR students.

Wednesday 29 October – Friday 16 November

- WACE Written Examinations

Monday 26 November

- Year 12 Presentation Night Rehearsal, 1.50pm, Amphitheatre.

Monday 26 November

- Year 12 Presentation Night, 6.30pm, Amphitheatre.

Ms Kelly Anderson & Mr Gary Walker, Year 12 Co-ordinators

ALL STUDENTS

Women in STEM Seminar

The South West Mathematics Association in association with Edith Cowan University, Bunbury Campus is hosting a WOMEN IN STEM SEMINAR. This free event showcases the role mentors can play in developing awareness of the advantages of STEM in future careers for women. Girls from Year 10 -12 and their female teachers are invited to hear these engaging speakers. Access to STEM courses available within the South West will also be highlighted. Numbers are limited to 130 participants and there is NO COST INVOLVED.

WOMEN IN STEM - BUNBURY EVENT

Date: 31 August 2018. 3.45-6.45pm

VENUE: ECU Bunbury Campus. Lecture Theatre in Building 6

Deadline for registration is Friday, 24 August by emailing tyril.houghton@education.wa.edu.au

Please state the name of the school, the number attending, contact person details and any dietary requirements.

Mrs Tyril Houghton, PC Mathematics

SCHOOL COMMUNITY

House Point Application

Many students at Bunbury Senior High School are selected to represent their region, WA or Australia in various fields of endeavour, or they participate in significant competitions/events out of school. The school seeks to acknowledge these achievements within our House System through awarding of House Points.

The specific categories are as follows:

NATIONAL REPRESENTATION/RECOGNITION

Representing Australia in an International Competition.

STATE REPRESENTATION/RECOGNITION

Representing an organisation at a State competition.

REGIONAL REPRESENTATION/RECOGNITION

Representing Western Australia at a National level.

OUT OF SCHOOL EVENT

Representing Western Australia at a National level.

Significant representation/participation in a non school organised competition/event.

In order to be awarded House Points, students can apply for recognition by completing and submitting an online form (available on our website). Please attach evidence to support your application. Points gained by students, contribute to the totals of their respective House.

The House Application is available on our website:

<https://www.bunburyschools.wa.edu.au/policies-publications.html>

Mrs Kylie Ward, Manager Education Services

SYDNEY AND CANBERRA TRIP 2018

Australian Government Parliament and Civics Education Rebate Program

Students from our school have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government contributed funding of \$260 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

Miss Sara Paterson, Tour Co-ordinator

Trip Recount by Mr Dave Waddell

This term, 47 Year 10 students and four staff went on a school adventure to visit some historical, political, cultural and fun sights of Sydney and Canberra. We started our trip at the airport at 8:30am. The students were on time, excited and organised. It seemed the parents were equally excited to get the week's break. The teachers were well-caffeinated and ready to go.

Sydney was our first destination. The kids had three days to see the Blue Mountains, Luna Park, Taronga Zoo, The Opera House, Circular Quay, Manly Ferry, Darling Harbour, Channel 7's Sunrise and the National Maritime Museum. It was a busy start, but the kids loved the experiences and understandably slept well every night.

The second half of our trip was filled with the sights of Canberra. The War Memorial Museum, National Capital Exhibition, a cruise on Lake Burley-Griffen, Old and New Parliament House, The High Court, AIS, late night shopping, Questacon and a drive around the embassies. A highlight for the group was a day in the snow. There was tobogganing, riding chair lifts, making snow angels and throwing snowballs. It was a wonderful experience, to observe students in an unfamiliar setting having so much fun.

On our last night we received the sad news of the passing of our friend and class mate, Grace Huang. While it was difficult for us that night, we were all proud to witness the love and support the students demonstrated towards each other. Our thoughts were and still are with Grace's family.

We arrived back in Perth on the Saturday evening exhausted, but glad we had been a part of this rich educational experience. Many new memories were created and new friends made.

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

Chaplain's Corner

40 Hour Famine was on from 17 - 19 August. We had 35 students and 2 staff complete the challenge. Some did the Backpack Challenge - experiencing what it would be like for a refugee to live out of what's in their backpack for 40 hours and others went without food or furniture or technology for 40 hours.

Well done to all those who participated and also to those who gave donations and encouraged them in their challenge. As a school we raised approximately \$2,500. Well done to Rohan Guy for being our highest fundraiser for the challenge!!

My thoughts and prayers also go out to the family and friends of Grace Huang (Yr 10) after her sudden passing. She was a wonderful student who we will truly miss. We have been lucky to have her in our lives even though it was for only a short period of time.

Mr Deon Throne, Chaplain

IMPORTANT DATES

24-26 August 2018	Queens Cup
27 August – 7 September 2018	OLNA Testing
29 August 2018	Year 11 Human Biology Excursion, Harry Perkins Institute of Medical Research
29 August 2018	P & C Meeting, 6pm
31 August 2018	SW British Parliamentary Competition, ECU Bunbury
3-5 September 2018	Year 11 Outdoor Education Mountain Biking Camp
3–6 September 2018	YOHFEST Heats, Mandurah
5-7 September 2018	Music Camp
6 September 2018	LGBT Seminar, 5-7pm Library
7 September 2018	Year 11 & 12 PE Studies Practical Exam
10 September 2018	The Sound of Picture Books Excursion, Year 7 – P2 to P4
12 September 2018	Whole School Assembly – P2
12 September 2018	Year 7 Fieldwork, HASS
13 September 2018	Parent Night 3.30-5.30pm
14 September 2018	ECU/SWIT Workshop Visual Arts
17-21 September 2018	Year 11 & 12 PAIS WPL General Catch up
19 September 2018	Year 9 & 10 Winter Carnival
20 September 2018	Australian Reading Hour, Pd 2
21 September 2018	Year 12 Final Assembly, Pd 1
21 September 2018	Year 12 VET and PAIS final day
21 September 2018	Term 3 Ends
24-28 September 2018	WACE Practical Exams (except Languages)
1-5 October 2018	Year 12 Mock Exams
8 October 2018	School Development Day – Staff only
9 October 2018	Term 4 commences for students
12-19 October 2018	WACE Languages Practical Exams
16 October 2018	2019 Year 7 Parent Night, Library 6-7.30pm
17 October 2018	Youth Literature Day at BCGS, Years 9-12
18 October 2018	Whole School Assembly, Pd 1
18 October 2018	Year 10 Elevate Seminar, ATAR Pathway, Pd 4&5
19 October 2018	Young Writer’s Day, BSHS Library
19 October 2018	Year 12 ATAR final day
19 October 2018	Year 11 VET last day 2018
22-26 October 2018	Year 11 Exams
22-26 October 2018	Year 11 Workplacement