

## **From the Principal**

Last year I was promoting the start of a new building in the school that would house a cafeteria, learning spaces and staffroom. During this year, I have updated the P&C and the School Board on the progress of the building and now that we have some clear direction, I am in a position to confirm details with the school community.

The original plans had a budget over-run and the building has been scaled back. Unfortunately, the learning spaces and the staffroom have been removed and the building will now be a new cafeteria only. Although this has been met with disappointment, the cafeteria was always the greatest need and its location on the hill above the change rooms enables the school to develop the quadrangle to better suit our future needs.

The timeline has also changed and construction is expected to commence in 2020. Initially, a roadway will be constructed from the Upper Esplanade to the building site and at completion, this will be bituminised and provide a safer access for students arriving on buses. I will keep you posted on progress through newsletters, P&C and the School Board.

As the school increases use in technology, information for parents is becoming more readily available. This includes news items through Facebook, Twitter and the regular email contact through Connect. The use of direct email between parents and teachers is also an increasing form of communication but it can lead to frustration when a response is not immediate. I encourage parents to refer to the school's social media and to use Connect as a source of feedback on your child's progress before emailing teachers. Many teachers may not access email until late in the day and a response to a parent enquiry may seem to take longer than needed. Please allow a few days for a response and by all means, follow up if the response is not forthcoming.

Craige Pettit, Principal

## **ADMINISTRATION**

### **Parent Interview Afternoon – Thursday 19 September**

Appointments for the Parent Interview afternoon open on Monday 9 September at 8.00am. Please remember that all appointments are made via PTO, the link to which is available on the home page of our school's website ([www.bunburyshs.wa.edu.au](http://www.bunburyshs.wa.edu.au)). Specific login details will be sent on Thursday 5 September. If you do not receive your login information, you misplace it, or you have problems with PTO, please contact the school.

### **Student NAPLAN Results**

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority has informed schools that individual student NAPLAN results (for Years 7 and 9) will be sent mid-September. These will be forwarded home as soon as possible afterwards.

The overall results for each State and Territory have recently been released. They show a very positive trend for Western Australia, particularly in Year 9, when compared with other jurisdictions.

Data relating to our whole school performance will become available later in the year.

Ian Lockhart, Vice Principal

## **New Payment Option**

We now have the facility to make payments using BPay. Future contributions and charges notifications will identify the schools BPay information.

BPay Biller Code: 300355

Customer Reference: student number

**BPAY NOTE:** If you choose to make a payment from your Credit Card (VISA or MasterCard), you will incur a Cash Advance Fee. To avoid being charged a Cash Advance Fee, please ensure payment is made from one of the listed Debit Account types, not a Credit Card.

## **SENIOR SCHOOL**

### **Year 12 Workplace Learning Credit**

The final date for submission of Year 12 Workplace Learning Logbooks and Skills Journals is 27 September 2019.

WPL is a fully accredited Endorsed Program and all students involved, particularly PAIS students should submit the hours achieved in the school red logbook together with completed skills journals in the book.

I take the opportunity to thank all students for their efforts and all parents and guardians who provided much needed transport and support. I'm sure the time spent in Workplace Learning has been meaningful and will assist students to gain employment.

Any questions and all feedback is welcome.

Liz Chambers

### **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.bunburyshs.wa.edu.au/policies-publications.html>

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

### **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/](http://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](#)

## **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](mailto: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

## **Canteen**

We would like to appeal any parents or grandparents. If you have any spare time we are in need of volunteers. Usually our volunteers come in between 10am - 2pm.

We are happy for a couple of hours if that is all you have to spare. Please contact Debbie or Sharon 9781 2566 7am - 2.15

## IMPORTANT DATES

2- 4 September 2019	Yr 12 OED Hiking Camp
Wednesday 4 September 2019	P & C Meeting 6.00pm Library
9-11 September 2019	Yr 11 OED Mountain Bike Camp
11 -13 September 2019	Junior Band Camp
Thursday 12 September 2019	Isaiah Firebrace Incursion 10.00am
Friday 13 September 2019	Yr 11/12 PE Studies Practical Exams
Tuesday 17 September 2019	Yr 10 BEST Visit to ECU
Wednesday 18 September 2019	Whole School Assembly Period 4
Thursday 19 September 2019	Parent Interview Afternoon 3.30 – 5.30pm
Friday 27 September	Year 12 Breakfast, 7.30am, BSHS Year 12 Final Assembly Period 1, 8.45am. Year 12 VET and PAIS final day
Monday 30 September – Friday 4 October	WACE Practical Examinations
Monday 7 – Friday 11 October	Year 12 Mock ATAR Examinations.
Monday 14 October	Students Resume for start of Term 4
Wednesday 23 October	Last day for Year 12 ATAR students.
Wednesday 30 October – Friday 22 November	WACE Written Examinations.
Monday 25 November	Year 12 Presentation Night, 6.00pm, Amphitheatre.