

BSHS Newsletter – Term 3 - Issue 9 – 2017

From the Principal

We welcomed the news in the recent State Budget that Bunbury Senior High School will receive \$5m towards upgrades. It is likely that our canteen will be replaced with a cafeteria style canteen. There is no confirmation at this stage as to the intent of the remaining funds but the school community will be informed once this is known. I am looking forward to becoming involved in the planning of this upgrade and I expect it will be well underway this time next year.

Planning for the 2018 timetable is now well advanced and the senior school classes have been in place for some weeks now. Students who are in Years 11 or 12 in 2018 should be aware of their proposed courses and Year 11 students in particular should be monitoring their own progress to ensure they will have the required background in respect to grades and study habits. Students who need some counsel on their selections should see Ms Anderson for ATAR and Mr Walker for VET.

Our Year 12 group have their final day as a full cohort on Friday 22 September. There will be a whole school assembly in the morning and I encourage the parents of all the Year 12s to come along and witness this significant event for that group.

There is a link within this newsletter that gives parents the opportunity to give feedback on the way in which we report your child's progress. It has been some time since this topic has been on the agenda and I would like as much feedback as possible to enable the school to move forward with a reporting plan that keeps parents informed at all stages of their child's course on the progress they are making. The access to electronic information makes it easier for parents to receive up-to-date information. The review will be tabled with the School Board for consideration prior to any changes.

I wish all students, staff and their families a safe and happy break.

Mr Craige Pettit, Principal

Administration

Reporting to Parents

We are currently reviewing the school's processes for providing achievement and progress information to parents, including the end-of-semester reports. You are invited to complete a brief survey at: <https://bunburyshs.wufoo.eu/forms/w1x63c0k054fblh/>

Mr Ian Lockhart, Vice Principal

Upper Esplanade Parking

Parents are reminded that there is a 'No Standing' zone on the western side of Upper Esplanade, opposite the school bus stop. Unfortunately, a small number of parents continue to use it as a drop-off and pick-up area, limiting visibility for drivers and forcing students to negotiate buses and other traffic as they cross the road. Your support in attending to this matter is appreciated.

Mr Ian Lockhart, Vice Principal

Welcome Studiosity!

Last month the Your Tutor program became Studiosity. Students who have logged on to the Your Tutor website recently will have seen the change. Studiosity offers the same service to students in supporting home study - by connecting the dots, helping in times of need and looking for that light bulb moment. It is totally free and available out of school hours, including weekends. This year, students at our school have used nearly 6000 minutes of tutorial time, with 86% of sessions connected in less than 5 minutes.

If your child has misplaced their login details for Studiosity (Your Tutor), please advise them to come to the front office of Administration and collect new login details.

Mr Ian Lockhart, Vice Principal

Senior School

Year 11 Workplace Learning

23 October to 3 November 2017

Year 11 students in the general VET pathway, attending school 4 or 5 days per week, will be on workplace learning for the above dates. All students have been asked to plan ahead and have suggested employer details to me by Week 10.

ATAR students in the Business or Visual Arts Certificate courses will also do workplace learning from November 27 onwards. This is after the Year 11/12 teaching program is finished for 2017.

Pre-apprentices in Schools (PAIS) Students can still access work experience with school insurance until 30 November.

Please contact me if you need further information, and thank you for supporting this valuable program.

Ms Liz Chambers, WPL Co-ordinator

All Students

Indonesian Language Ambassador Program Visit

David Visser was our very special guest on Thursday 17 August. He came to speak to Year 7 and 8 Indonesian students about the merits of studying the language of our nearest neighbour and, perhaps more importantly, becoming aware of the many opportunities that await those who become culturally literate regarding Indonesia and our wider region.

David travelled to Bunbury Senior High School from Perth just before jetting off on his latest appointment in Indonesia, that with the International Organization for Migration (IOM) to help

combat human trafficking. This will be the latest on an already impressive list of positions that David has held, particularly for such a young man.

But David's message was not all about work as he was keen to share stories of his many adventures in the vast archipelago to our north. Surfing giant waves, free diving coral reefs and climbing live volcanoes were but a few of the incredible experiences that he has already enjoyed, adventures that await all who dare to delve into the diverse world that is Indonesia.

Thanks to David and Balai Bahasa Indonesia Perth Inc. for their interest in our students and for their commitment to the Language Ambassador Program.

Mr Kieren Haslam, Indonesian Teacher

Community

Iluka Visions Art Exhibition

Congratulations to our Art students who submitted and had their artworks selected for this year's Iluka Visions Art Exhibition at the Bunbury Regional Art Galleries. The standard of work submitted was very high as always. The Gallery curator and her staff select the artworks from schools across the South-West region.

This year Bunbury Senior High School will be represented by a selection of 2D and 3D artworks. The following students will have their work on show at BRAG from 7 October:
Saoirse Torr, Adin Smith, Annabelle Heyworth, Jez Smal , Tameka Armstrong, Indy Duffy, Emma Van Noort, Tyler Silverwood.

For those interested in viewing this diverse exhibition the Opening Night is 6pm, Friday 13 October.

Ms Julie Russell-Krebs, Art Teacher

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

I hope you are having a good year so far. Can you believe we are coming up to the busy time leading up to the Christmas holidays?

For the Year 12s I wish you all the best in your future as you leave Bunbury High. You have been a wonderful group of students who I have seen go from Year 8 to Year 12 as I began working here in 2013.

I'm looking forward to seeing our Year 12s on Presentation Night and celebrating with them their accomplishments as they move on to the next chapter in their lives.

Deon Throne, Chaplain

IMPORTANT DATES

18 – 22 September 2017	Year 12 SIDE Exams
18 – 22 September 2017	Year 11&12 WPL, PAiS catch up
19 September 2017	Year 7 students, Circus Incursion
21 September 2017	Year 7/8 Lightning Carnival
21 September 2017	Year 12 ATAR French Oral Exam
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
19 October 2017	Year 6 Parent Information Night for Transition Year 7, 2018
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
20 October 2017	UN Voice Competition, Years 7-10
23 October 2017	Year 7/8 House Competition
23 – 31 October 2017	Year 11 Exams
25 October 2017	Naidoc Assembly, Pd 1
26 October 2017	AIME ECU Excursion, Yr 7/8 Experience Day
28 October 2017	WA Junior Maths Olympiad
30 October 2017	Year 7/8 House Competition
30 October 2017	Year 9/10 House Competition
31 October 2017	Board Meeting, 5pm
1 November 2017	Year 11 Exams catch up day
1 - 21 November 2017	WACE Exams
3 November 2017	Year 11, Last day for PAIS Students
6-10 November 2017	Year 11, SIDE Exams