



Baldivis
Secondary College

NEWSLETTER

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Hello to the BSC family!

This edition of the E-Newsletter contains several articles and photos which highlight just some of the exciting and engaging activities our students have been up to recently. We continue to look

to create a variety of opportunities for our students to get involved in, both in and out of the classroom. We are so fortunate to have a terrific bunch of young people in our college and it is great to see the wonderfully positive things they get up to. We often find ourselves in society looking at the negatives or allowing the negativity to go unchecked. Please remember to check in with any concerns you may have before making any judgements. You should always check in with the classroom teacher or the relevant Year Coordinator with any concerns you may have, so that we

can clarify and resolve all issues at the most appropriate level and in the most timely manner. Many perceived issues are often found to be much less of a concern for parents after communicating with the relevant person.

Last week, we saw the annual Science Fair take place and, once again, a fabulous array of creative thinking and scientific processes were on display. Congratulations to all involved and to the eventual winners for their categories. We also have had another excellent result in the National Aurecon Bridge Building competition. Included in this edition is a feature regarding our new Cheer Team and the growing popularity of this aspect of dance.

There are now only weeks remaining for our Year 12 students in finishing their courses. Can I ask parents to check in with their child to ensure that they are completing all aspects of the course or certificate so that they can maximise their opportunities for WACE attainment. We want to see every student completing the requirements so that they receive the Western Australian Certificate of Education and the completion of their nationally

COMING EVENTS

<http://www.baldivissc.wa.edu.au/coming-events/>

4-15 September	OLNA Round 2	20 September	Orientation	16-20 October	HASS Week
4 September	Rugby league Carnival	21 September	AIME Excursion	16 October	Year 9 Cricket Fixture
5 September	Talking Drugs Parent Information Session 6:30pm	22 September	Year 10-11 History Students Anne Frank Exhibition	17 October	Year 8 Immunisations- Round 3
6 September	Year 12 Hospitality Excursion		Year 12 Ball	18 October	Year 10 Cricket Fixture
7-8 September	Athletics Carnival		Full School Assembly		Year 7 Cricket Fixture
8 September	Parent Coffee Club 8:45am		Last Day of Term 3		Year 8 Immunisations – Round 3
14 September	R U OK Day	2-6 October	Year 12 'MOCK' Exams		Work Place Learning Information Evening
18 September	AEES Field Trip	9 October	Term 4 Commences		General Outdoor Education Camp
19 September	Rugby League Fixture Year 7-10 New Student Leaders	11 October	Parent Coffee Club 8:45am		

recognised certificates. Teachers are making every effort to see our students finalise their courses to the best of their ability. Parental support on this front is much appreciated. Teachers are offering extra support during lunch, as well as before and after school, for those students who require it. We also have our regularly scheduled Academic Alliance sessions after school for those students who want to take advantage of this support.

The inaugural Year 12 Ball occurs on 22 September. Students have been provided with all the pertinent information around this event. If you are uncertain of any

aspects in regard to the Year 12 Ball, please feel free to contact Student Services with any queries. The planning for the Presentation Evening for Year 12 is well under way and information regarding this major event will be provided to all in a variety of formats. Again, if you have any queries regarding this event please contact the Pathways Centre.

Please enjoy this edition of the BSC E-Newsletter.

Kind regards

Keith Svendsen | Principal

BSC 2017 HOUSE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

When

Friday 8th September

Meet

At the Sports Hall straight after Registration

Events

100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, Long Jump, Triple Jump, Shot put, Discus

Cost

Nil. Bring some change for a sausage sizzle fundraiser that will take place

Requirements

Students need their Parent/Guardian to sign their note and we need it returned ASAP (by Wednesday 6 September).

Uniform

Students are to wear their PE uniform to school and then they can change into their appropriate house coloured clothing/costumes for the day of fun.

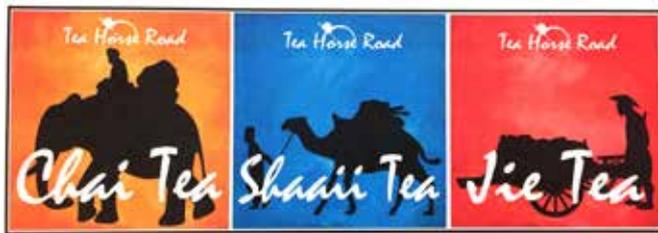
Mr Darren Russell | Phys Ed Teacher



YEAR 11 ATAR GRAPHIC DESIGN



Final Designs Reflections



In my opinion, my design is successful in meeting its requirements. The responses that people had were all positive with minor criticisms and it looks like a tea box you could see in the shops. This design is good for my target audience because it can be bought by anyone yet also has its own specific groups of people who can get flavours from their home countries. The font size is big and can be easily read by anyone. It is

This term, Year 11 ATAR Graphic Design students completed their first major portfolio and product design assessment.

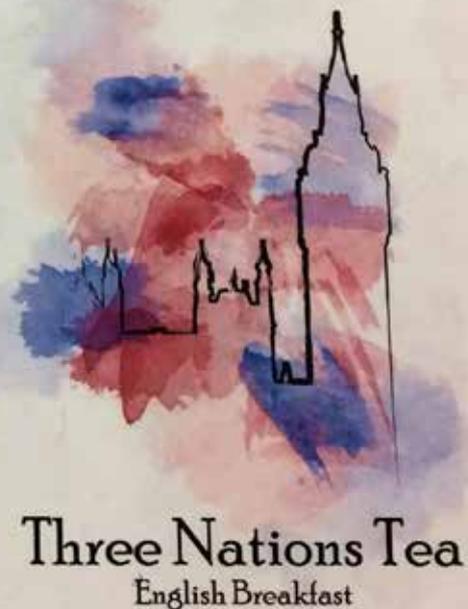
Students were required to design a set of three tea packages, and create a 15-page portfolio documenting the design process they went through to achieve the result.

The class was visited by Deputy Principal, Mr Jones, who was impressed by the creative ideas and quality of work the students were producing, as well as being surveyed as part of the students' research into target audience.

Students used Adobe Photoshop and Illustrator to create their boxes, graphics and typography. Their designs were innovative and completed to a high standard. This semester, they are working on the production of a promotional poster and T-shirt for a cultural event.

Students can use the skills they pick up in this class if they choose to pursue tertiary education, a career or hobby in Graphic Design, Advertising, Illustration, Photography or any other Creative Industries.

Ms Kimberley Henderson | Arts Teacher



YEAR 10 VISUAL ARTS

Our Year 10 Visual Arts students have been studying a contemporary style of Art called Trash Polka, originally a tattooing style. The students looked at the design methods and values to create their own original images, and each student was given a canvas to do their final image on.

Trash Polka is a combination opposing imagery such as precise geometric pattern with expressive splashes and brushstrokes, and realism together with expressionism. It also uses text in the work which plays with the positive and negative space.

Trash Polka is almost exclusively in greyscale (black and white) with red added for contrast. The combination of all the differing styles creates a lot of visual movement and is an exemplar for teaching students how to create visual language in their work.

The Fine Art students had the extra challenge of working in groups on one image on 3m tall boards. They had to work together in all stages from designing to painting up the entire image.

All canvas paintings and the larger group paintings will be on display soon.

Mr Caen Newland | Arts Teacher



UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL - YEAR 10 CREATIVE PHOTOGRAPHY

Year 10 Creative Photography students work on a range of practical and theory based assessment tasks throughout the term.

After a number of theory lessons inside to avoid the rain, the recent sunny weather meant students were ready to head out into the school to find subjects for a series of macro photos.

Students accessed the school's vegetable, native and aquaponics gardens to search for plants and insects that would make for interesting up close photos. Bees and spiders were a popular choice, although not everyone was keen to get close enough for the perfect shot.

This task assisted students in understanding their lenses focal lengths, adjusting their aperture and how to change and look after lenses. It also gave them a new

perspective on the bees and spiders they found, with many of the macro photographs clearly showing how the bees carry their pollen, their soft hair and multiple eyes of the spiders.

Miss Kimberley Henderson | Arts Teacher



YEAR 10 MACBETH INCURSION

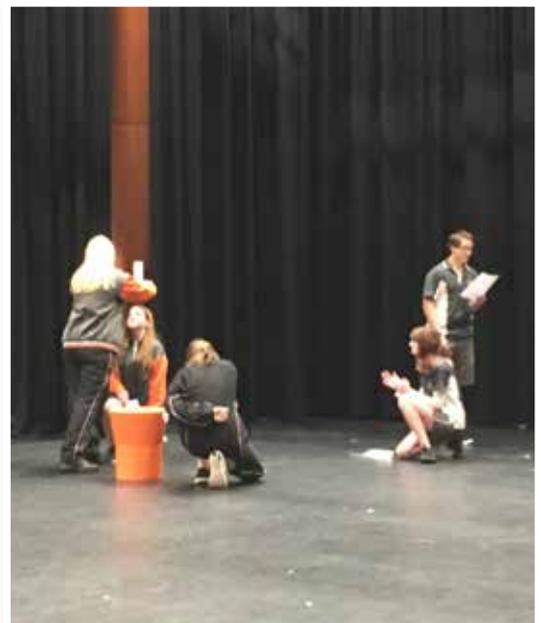
Year 10 drama students had the opportunity to participate in a hands-on workshop this term. The workshop was run by Bell Shakespeare, a renowned Australian Theatre Company, and focussed on giving students an in-depth experience of the Bard's famous play, *Macbeth*.

Caitlin Beresford-Ord worked with the students over the course of two periods, running various exercises and activities that explored Shakespeare's language, key characters in the play, various themes, and of course students got to present short scenes at the end of the session.

This workshop overflowed into the classroom as students started preparing for their performance task; to recreate and interpret a scene from *Macbeth*. The various activities helped students pick scenes and make sense of the old language. They will also get the opportunity to go and see a professional production of *Macbeth* in Week 7.

We had a wonderful time and look forward to seeing the students' final performances at the end of this term!

Miss Jade Galambosi | Arts Teacher



BALDIVIS FILM ACADEMY

On the 1st of August, 2017, the Baldivis Film Academy set out on a journey of a lifetime. We set out for Camp Quararup in Albany.



Our aim was to produce a film based on the 1963 movie, *Lord of the Flies*. Our movie is called *Misery Island*. It is about a group of kids who are stranded on a mysterious island after a plane crash. They uncovered secrets that should have stayed secret. They discovered the good and the bad in people. Friendships were put to the test as they attempted to survive.

We began the production in March. We watched *Lord of the Flies* and analysed its themes, plot, settings and characters. The Year 7 Film Academy class and the Year 12 VET Certificate II in Creative Industries class, worked together to write the script. We assigned our actors following auditions and then began our rehearsals. We also assigned crew roles. The Year 7s and 12s barely knew each other at the start of our camp, but by the end, we made a few new friends.

On location, we all had to face some difficult challenges. For instance, the lead character, who was playing the main protagonist, fell ill on the second day which we then had to work around. There were some last minute changes to some acting roles due to illness. Connor Battersby had to learn the script on the way to Albany and did a wonderful job with so little time to prepare. It was also a challenge for the camera and sound crew as the cold, wind and rain were a constant companion.

Filming wasn't the only thing that was involved. The Makeup and Wardrobe Department worked on getting the actors ready for filming. We all worked together in departments and pushed ourselves to the limits of our comfort zones. We had to film late into the night and wake up really early the next day. The data wrangling crew stayed up late into the night collecting data from the day's filming.

We had great times on set and there were many funny moments. For instance, Alex (playing the main antagonist, Jayden) had to eat loads of cold spaghetti for a couple of scenes. When we were off set, we often sat around one heater to keep warm as it was freezing in Albany. It was good to have a warm break. It was exhausting after filming for the whole day.

Overall, our camp was an amazing experience. We have already started planning for the sequel, which we're going to begin filming in 2018. There'll be new characters, new plots and new secrets to discover. Our trailer is on our YouTube channel (Baldivis Film Academy).

Cast:

Alex Nelson
Caitlyn Adams
Chloe Cornhill
Connor Battersby
Hunter Brotherton
Justin Pullen
Krystal Banks
Tahlia Kelleher
Charlize Wright
Ella Passchier

Crew:

Tyler Parnham
William Bourdon
Gwy McKenna
Aduk Galuak
Charlize Wright
Natasha Favro
Mitchell Summers
Mackenzie Cox
Ian Oon
Cody De Florenca
Asha Haji
Ella Passchier
Charleigh Knight
Cameron Salter
Sienna Davis

Behind the Scenes:

Nick Wiseman
James Read
Lachlan Davis
Jack Fairclough

Teachers:

Mr Andrew Pheasant
Mr Tristan Ward
Mrs Danielle McLernon

MEDIEVAL HISTORY

This Term the Year 8s have been studying Medieval History.

As part of their unit, they made castles and catapults to learn about siege weapons. It was a great few lessons that ended up in a castle wars lesson.

Natasha Bolt | HASS Teacher



RIVERGUMS WALKING TOURS



As part of our study of the liveability of Baldivis, Year 7 students embarked on a tour of the Rivergums area.

As part of this study, our students conducted a survey evaluating whether or not Baldivis addresses the Four Factors of Liveability. Following this activity, students came to the conclusion that Baldivis is a very liveable suburb.

Year 9 and 10 students studying Geography also participated in walking tours of Baldivis, furthering their fieldwork skills and understanding of geographical concepts.

Miss Jo Franc | HASS Teacher

RACE AROUND THE CITY – YEAR 12 GEOGRAPHY

4 Key Locations ... 6 Teams... 33 FanHASStic participants
and 1 Celebrity along for the trip doing the Locomotion!



The race started at Warnbro Train station at 7.30am with students travelling in allocated teams to the different destinations. The field trip is based on the 'Race Around the World' concept as on TV. Fun was had by all (well that's what I told them!) and we were fortunate to bump into a real Australian Icon who joined us for a few photos.

Great job to all involved. May your colour pencils serve you well in your approaching exams.

You are all fanHASStic!

Mr Hickman | HASS Curriculum Leader



As part of the Year 12 ATAR Geography curriculum, 33 amazingly keen and motivated students applied their course learning out in the field as they accessed train, bus and their own endurance capabilities to race around the city completing a series of set tasks and challenging road blocks. The day enabled students to see first hand how urban challenges (housing, transportation and congestion, and urban sprawl) in metropolitan Perth are being addressed. Within this context students were required to demonstrate a series of fieldwork skills as they travelled to locations including Cockburn Central, Perth CBD, Elizabeth Quay, West Perth, Subi Centro and East Perth Redevelopment at Claisebrook ... in addition to their own self-nominated stop offs (ie. The Dome, Boost Juice, Macca's, HJ's and wherever else they were spotted).



YEAR 12 HUMAN BIOLOGY PERTH ZOO TRIP

The Year 12s took a trip to the Perth Zoo to take part in a presentation about the characteristics and evolutionary trends of ancestral hominins and living primates.

The students had the chance to get hands-on with some skulls and models of early human ancestors and current primates. We looked back through time at the significant events that shaped the Homo sapiens we are now, before having the opportunity to observe the primates in the exhibits.

Many students couldn't remember the last time they visited the Zoo and for some it was even a first. The 12s were exceptionally well behaved at the Zoo and have been working really hard in class. We wish them all the best for the remainder of the year in Human Biology!

Mrs Summerhayes & Miss Truss | Science Teachers



YEAR 9 AUSTRALIAN COURTS

So far in the term for Humanities and Social Sciences, as part of the Civics and Citizenship course, the Year 9s have been learning about the court system in Australia.

We first looked into the court hierarchy in Australia and then looked at ways in which our justice could be undermined in the courts. As part of the course, the Year 9s role played a court case. We adjusted the classroom into a court room and investigated a criminal case. All students were somehow involved, either as Jury members or the accused. This was a great hands on experience that was thoroughly enjoyed by all students. We all got a glimpse of how our courts operate and the processes that are involved within a courtroom.

Mr Stefan Botha | Humanities and Social Sciences Teacher



YEAR 10 HISTORY EXCURSION



On Friday, 12 May, selected Year 10 students were rewarded with a trip to Hoyts Carousel to watch, 'The Zookeeper's Wife.' The movie offered

insight into WWII and the Holocaust, which we had been studying in Term 1.

Starting in 1939, the movie told the story of Antonina and Dr. Jan Zabinski.

The married couple saved hundreds of Jews from persecution by hiding them in their zoo throughout the war. The movie was engaging and emotional with plenty of suspense and reality that furthered our understanding of the treatment of Jews and Hitler's invasion of Poland. Overall, the trip was fun, insightful and broadened our education. Special thanks to Mrs Cheater, Miss Gillett and all the other Year 10 teachers who put effort into organising this excursion for us.

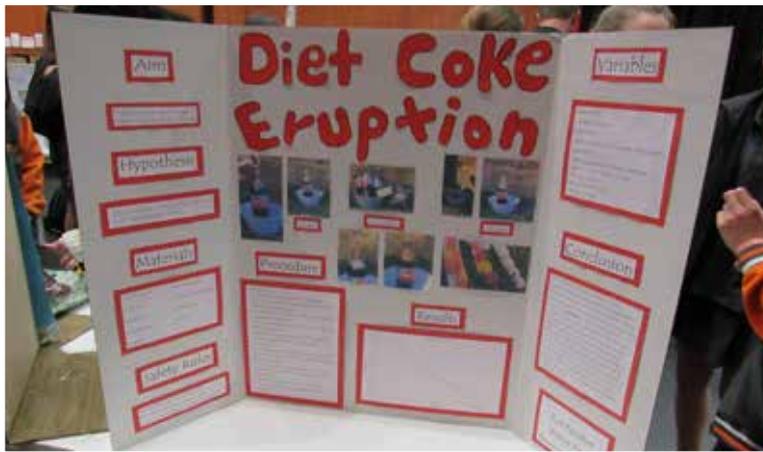
Haylee Guidera and Jasper Willans | Year 10 Students

SCIENCE FAIR

The Science Fair was set up in the Performing Arts Centre, exhibiting the results from the students experiments that they had conducted.

Students, parents and teachers had the opportunity to look at the amazing work that was produced. Well done to the dedicated teachers and the passionate students for an amazing Science Fair.

Science Department



AURECON BRIDGE BUILDING

A big congratulations to the dedicated students who have won the Aurecon Bridge Building Competition for 2017.

John Hawea, Caleb Yardley, Nathan Dillon, Kingston Te Mete and Akins Sujith all gave up their own time to put together 2 bridges made from Balsa wood which held up to 84kg! This impressed the judges and even the Aurecon Bridge Engineer. The students have gained a lot from the experience and have even offered to be mentors to the students participating in next year's competition.

Mr Andy Glendinning



BALDIVIS 'BOOK IN A DAY'

On Friday, 25 August, 37 Year 7 students joined Mrs Gordon, Mrs Gschwendtner, Mrs Barlow and Miss Hutchinson in the library to write a book in a day.



Students worked tenaciously either in solos, pairs or small groups and drafted, wrote, illustrated and edited picture books aimed at a target audience of young children.

Some of the titles of the finished books at the end of the day included: "Mum, Where's the Sun?", "The Odd 1 Out", "The Box", "The Flower", "Dragon's Big Mistake", "The Island", "Lucy Lou" and "The Adventures of Emily". Students worked tirelessly to create detailed narratives with beautiful illustrations. The stories were vivid and imaginative. Students also ensured they edited their stories before typing onto a laptop, printing and then binding their books.

Their behaviour and commitment to the task was extremely impressive. We now have 37 budding authors, illustrators and editors at our college!

A huge thanks to Mrs Gordon and Mrs Gschwendtner for hosting the event, and for Mrs Barlow for spending the day helping the Year 7s while they wrote their stories, as well as a big thanks to Mrs Donohue for helping to organise the day.

Miss Hutchinson | English Teacher

BALDIVIS BOOK WEEK



On Friday, 25 August, students and staff were invited to dress up as their favourite book character for CBCA Book Week, "Escape to Everywhere."



Students and staff alike packed the library at lunchtime to display their wonderful costumes'. We had a fantastic Hungry Caterpillar, a whole range of Roald Dahl characters (thank you Science teachers), Little Red Riding Hood, Harry Potter, Anakin Skywalker, Pocahontas, Cruella DeVille, Jay Gatsby, Pikachu, many Wallys and a range of Alice in Wonderland characters.

Students were awarded books for prizes and Vivo Miles points have been added for students who came to the library. The best dressed character was the Very Hungry Caterpillar - Joshua Mikhail – well done!

Thank you to all students and staff who dressed up for the occasion!

Miss Hutchinson | English Teacher

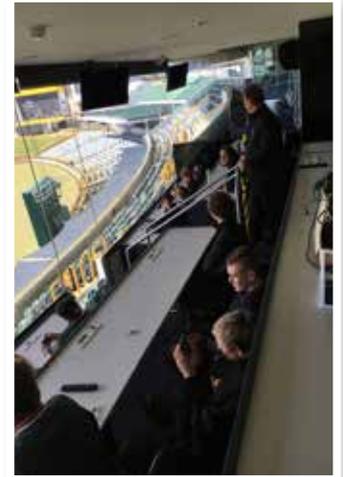


CRICKET ACADEMY

The Baldvis Cricket Academy is currently enduring their pre-season phase of training. The Year 7-10 cricketers have all been working hard on developing their skills with the aid of technique analysis during their theory sessions, whilst implementing their self-reflections into their training regimes.

It is great to see the effort put in by the majority of the students, and I have no doubt that this hard work will be transferred into on-field success.

The Year 7-10 Cricket Academy students enjoyed an excursion to the WACA on 17 August. The students participated in a tour of the WACA ground and museum, where they gained a strong appreciation for the rich history of Western Australian Cricket. The students then got an opportunity to demonstrate their skills in a skill development session in the Lord's Taverners Indoor Centre, under the watchful eye of Lindsey Flynn,



WACA Game Talent and Coach Performance Manager. A highlight of the day was Western Warrior, Will Bosisto, taking time out of his training session to meet the students and answer questions. This was an invaluable experience for the students, giving them an insight of what is involved in being a professional athlete.

Mr Kris Kennedy | Phys Ed Teacher



BALDIVIS CHEER AND DANCE TEAM

Students are getting pumped up and showing some school spirit with the new Balddivis Secondary College Cheer and Dance Teams!

The teams have been hard at work learning routines and skills, all while bracing the cold winter mornings to practice before school a few times each week. The uniforms have just arrived for the cheer team and the team is getting excited to start competing. To promote school unity the team will be cheering on the Balddivis Boomers Rugby Team during their upcoming home games. The students are all looking forward to showing off the skills they have been working on over the last term, and the sky (or the ceiling height) is the limit. Come along and show your support. Let's Go Boomers!

Miss Alex Latham



BSC RUGBY



On 29 August, our rugby league teams played a double header against Warnbro Community High School. First, the Year 7/8 team, who demonstrated true strength and team work, won their first game in the Struddy's Cup 26 - 6.

Stand outs where Marouna Browne, Gabe Harrison, Skakeel Ali and Sefanaia Besetimoala (who scored four tries).

The Year 9/10 team had a tougher time but stayed strong and showed true integrity in their loss. Some stand outs were Heath Pearman, Oreon Ley and Asaiah Grey. Also special mention to Michael Fogliani, who showed no fear sprinting at the opposition at full pace and inspired his team mates to work harder at a moment where the game could have been over.

A special congratulations to all the players who proudly represented the school. Please wish them luck for the remainder of the season.

Mr Tristan Ward | Arts Teacher Rugby Coach

AFRICAN BEAT

Year 8 students were entertained by African Beat who provided a well-structured, informative and highly interactive performance called "Salaka", which means "Sharing" in Ghana.

Students enjoyed being immersed in the rich culture and rhythms of Africa, in an entertaining and educational way. Best of all - it was hands-on!

Mrs Tracy Gschwendtner



COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSES AND THEIR ROLE AT BALDIVIS SECONDARY COLLEGE

As of July 2017 there are now three Community Health Nurses currently based at Baldvis Secondary College. They are employed by Child and Adolescent Health Services which is part of the Western Australian Department of Health.

The current level of staffing in the School Health Centre ensures there is a nurse available Monday to Friday.

The nurses and the days they work at Baldvis Secondary College are:

- Dani-elle Workman
(Mondays and every alternate Tuesday).
- Sarah Williams (Tuesdays and Wednesdays).
- Tracy Briant (Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays).

The primary role of the Community Health Nurse is not to provide first aid and medication administration, but rather assist the school to ensure systems are in place to deal with injuries and illnesses within the school community. Although, if a medical emergency occurs, the Community Health Nurse will attend

the incident and administer first aid. The role of the nurse involves dealing with the social and emotional needs of adolescents and individual students are able to seek guidance and support about a range of issues they may be experiencing. The nurses are able to provide links to other relevant services such as the local G.P., psychologist, youth counsellors, drug and alcohol counsellors, sexual health services and school chaplains. The Community Health Nurses also assist school staff and parents to develop health care plans for students with chronic health conditions or special needs, facilitate health related professional development for school staff (such as asthma or anaphylaxis) and assist teachers with student health and wellbeing programs.

The School Health Centre is a place where any student can drop in or make appointments to discuss health and wellbeing issues. It is a free service and all issues discussed remain confidential. Students may independently seek assistance from a Community Health Nurse but may also be referred to us by parents, teachers or the Student Services team. Parents are also encouraged to contact the school health service team if they have any concerns about their child's health or development.

Sarah Williams | Community Health Nurse

P&C NEWS

Thank you to all the parents participating in the Woolworths Earn and Learn promotion.

Please keep those stickers coming in. Stickers can be put into the Earn & Learn bin at Baldvis Woolworths or to the College Administration. Your support is greatly appreciated.

There is a Parent/Carers talk for the Baldvis community on 'Talking Drugs' being held in the College library on Tuesday, 5 September 2017 from

6:30pm – 8:30pm (see attached flyer). The event has been posted on the College Facebook page. You can RSVP to this event on this page or ring Tania on 0427 426 790 from SDERA.

The Parent Coffee Club has started at BSC. This is a time to meet parents, teachers and get updated on what is happening in the college. Coffee Club starts at 8:45am to 9:30am. Please meet in the College Administration. The dates are as follows:

Friday 8 September

Friday 11 October

Wednesday 8 November

Wednesday 6 December

Tracy Gschwendtner | BSC P&C President

TALKING DRUGS

PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

SDERA
EDUCATING FOR SMARTER CHOICES



**Book
now!**

Helping to keep our young people safer

Parents, carers, teachers and school staff have a crucial role to play in the education of young people to reduce their risk of harm from alcohol and other drugs including methamphetamine.

SDERA has been supporting school communities for over 19 years through successful, evidence-based alcohol and other drugs and road safety education programs.

This **FREE Talking Drugs** information session is for parents and carers of students in all year levels. Come along and find out about:

- Trends in student drug use.
- The role parents/carers play in school drug education.
- Tips on how to start a conversation with children of all ages.
- Where to go for help with a drug-related problem.

Date:

Tuesday 5th September

Time:

6.30pm-8.30pm

Where:

Baldivis Secondary College, Stillwater Drive, Baldivis

To book or for more information contact:

Tania Gigg

0427 426 790

Tania.Gigg@education.wa.edu.au

www.SDERA.wa.edu.au

**YOU ARE INVITED TO THE
BALDIVIS SECONDARY COLLEGE
'PARENT COFFEE CLUB'**

**Come along for a coffee,
a chat and meet other
BSC parents and some staff...**

Friday, 8 September 2017

8.45am - 9.30am

Meet at college administration

