Baldivis
Secondary College

NEWSLETTER

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Hello BSC family!

Thank you to the many parents and guardians that have met their financial commitments for their child's education. It makes a very positive impact on the resources we are able to acquire for our students and assists in ensuring our college is able to provide the very best for the students of Baldivis. If you have not made any payments or are finding it difficult to make a payment please contact our Financial School Officers who are there to provide you with options and assistance to ensure you are able to meet your commitment. Simply phone the college and ask for a Finance School Officer.

These have been very busy times and our students have been engaged in a variety of activities. Excursions and various sporting events have occupied the attention of many students. Our recent inaugural Careers Week and Careers Expo was a terrific success and captured the interest of many students. Our invited guests and presenters were extremely impressed with our students, both for their exceptional behaviour but also for their very well researched and meaningful questions. Our students gained valuable knowledge and were a credit to themselves and their college.

Parents please remind your child of the importance of being respectful to others in the community. This includes their travels to and from school on bikes, scooters and skateboards, as well as those students taking public transport. It is important for both their safety and their self-respect and reputation. Whilst in school we are able to communicate with our students and support them to be respectful and inclusive, but when they are out and about it is important that they maintain their respectfulness. Whilst having a good old fashioned conversation with your children please also remind them of the need to use a bin for their rubbish. It is frustrating to see too many of our young people dropping rubbish on the ground and disregarding the abundance of bins available for them.

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COMING EVENTS

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

Monday, 27 June to Friday, 1 July	NAIDOC Week
Wednesday, 29 June to Friday, 1 July	Cert II Outdoor Rec/ ATAR Outdoor Ed Camp
Wednesday, 29 June	Year 8 Immunisations
Wednesday, 29 June 6:00pm	College Board Meeting
Friday, 1 July	Last day of Term 2
Monday, 18 July	School Development Day (Student Free Day)
Tuesday, 19 July	Year 8 Immunisations
Wednesday, 20 July	Rewards Excursions
Friday, 22 July 2016 10:30am to 7:00pm	Parent Interview Day for Years 7 to 10 (Student Free Day)
Tuesday, 2 August to Tuesday, 20 September	Triple P Group Teen Program Comet Bay College Tuesday evenings, 6:30pm to 8:30pm
Monday 8 August to Friday, 12 August	Year 7 Camp Week

ADVANCE NOTICE

Year 7 to 10 Parent Interview Day
Friday, 22 July 2016

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Teachers are completing the reporting process so that we are able to distribute reports to parents and inform you of your child's performance, as well as provide feedback for improvement. Our Year 11 ATAR students have completed their first set of Senior School exams. These are reputedly the most difficult exams that our Senior School students will take prior to their WACE exams at the completion of Year 12. The exams are often confronting for the first time and, as such, students perform slightly lower than they often expect. This is a normal phenomenon and the experience of examination technique and preparation comes under the microscope. Students and their teachers will now use this experience to enhance the learning process and assist in developing good skills for the next round of exams at the end of Semester 2.

Please enjoy this edition of the E-Newsletter.

Cheers

Keith

HISTORY

2017 Year 9 Albany Tour

The Humanities and Social Sciences (HASS) Curriculum Team is excited to announce a fanHASStic opportunity for Year 9s next year. We have booked a week long tour of Albany for 50 awesome Year 9 students in Term 2, 2017. As part of the tour students will visit the National Anzac Centre, the Windfarm, the Natural Bridge and Gap, as well as Whale World. The trip will consolidate learning about History and Geography in HASS. Interested students will need to listen out in Term 3 for an announcement saying that applications have opened and will then need to collect and submit an Expression of Interest with the HASS staff. Stay tuned!

Contributed by Natasha Cheater | Humanities and Social Sciences

National Capital Tour

The following students have been successful in gaining a position on the 2016 tour. Students will visit the Australian War Memorial, Parliament House, Telstra Tower and the Deep Space Communication Complex just to name a few. They will also travel to Sydney to experience Circular Quay and the Sydney Opera House. Now they just have to wait until November for the tour to happen!

Tiana Ritchie
Monique Rowell
Isabel Clifford
Dayna Preece
Romecia Robbins-Macleod
Tayler Johnston
Chloe Purchase
Jacsinta Rayner
Keziah Cheesman
Zac Cowie
Nathan Limbrick
Chika Febyanti
Carter Parkes
Monte Brewer
Neha Raja
Ronan Valentino
Kristian Heffer
Sean Martin-Mulholland
Hayden Seisun
Mitchum Baker
Holly Thomas
Heath Pearman
Aiden Demarco
Keshav Naicker
Stevie Jarrett
Daniel Iversen
Dyllon Knight
Taleisha Gooden
Jacinta Dolman
Hartmut Kirsch
Alicia McGarry
Alicia Hardwick
Caitlin Laderas
Damon Tremain
Benjamin Yardley

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CAREERS WEEK AND EXPO

Baldivis Secondary College held its inaugural Careers Expo during Careers Week in Week 5 this term.

Career and Enterprises Student Displays

The Year 10 and 11 students had the opportunity to visit Expo displays from TAFEs, private registered training organisations, Universities and a range of other employment and community sectors. In addition, the Year 11 Career and Enterprise students all worked hard in groups to create their own career displays, and there were some amazing and creative displays on show. Well done, students!

On the Careers Expo day, there were also a range of guest speakers who took part in Speed Careering and a panel of Year 13 plus students, who gave our students an insight in the transition from school to further education and employment.

Year 13 plus Guest Speakers

Thankyou to the following organisations and individuals for their contribution to our inaugural Careers Week!

EXPO Displays
AFL Sports
Engineers Australia
Australian Concepts
HIA
Construction Training Fund
Murdoch University
Edith Cowan University
University of Notre Dame Australia
Curtin University
South Metropolitan College of TAFE
Castle Rock
Apprenticeship Support
SMYL
Avalon Beauty College
Spring into Training
IHG
Hospitality Group Training
MPA Skills
AIE
The Pharmacy Guild of Australia
Strategix
Fire Department

GUEST SPEAKERS – Speed Careering
Wormall Civil
MPA Skills
Joe Wear – West Coast Eagles
Castle Rock
City of Rockingham
IHG
SMYL
Avalon Beauty College
Fire Department
Evolution Commercial

GUEST SPEAKERS – Lecture Theatre
Tony Galati
Lisa Harvey
Foundation Education

Y13's
Michelle Tilley
Tijana Simich
Courtney Brown
Caleb Houseman
Cooper Jones

Highlights during the week included the following special guest speakers: Tony Galati, fondly known as 'The Spud Man', Joseph Wear who is a Sports Development Officer for the West Coast Eagles and the Hon. Liza Harvey, Deputy Premier. These guest speakers shared their journey from school life into the world of work, and were so generous in giving up their time in their very busy schedules to talk to our Year 11 students and share their experiences and 'tips for success' in whatever pathway a student chooses to take.

The Year 11 Hospitality team catered for the Expo display holders throughout the Expo, as well as hosted a special morning tea for the Deputy Premier in our newly decked out restaurant. The team, together with their Hospitality teacher (Ms Sheldon), need to be commended on their very impressive customer service and barista skills, as well as their culinary talents…. the food was delicious.

Joseph Wear

Liza Harvey

Hospitality Catering

Team Expo

Team Expo Stall Holders

Careers Week was a huge success with both Expo display holders and students providing so much positive feedback. Display holders are all keen to be invited to participate again next year.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Careers Expo and Careers Week to make it a success.

Contributed by 'Team Expo'

BALDIVIS CRICKET ACADEMY

The Baldivis Cricket Academy is currently enduring off-season training.

The Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 cricketers have all been working hard to become fitter, faster and stronger in preparation for the pre-season phase next term. In the coming weeks, the students will be putting themselves through training sessions in a range of challenging environments including the Point Peron stair case, Lark Hill Sports Complex, Rockingham Foreshore and Aqua Jetty.

The Year 7 and 8 students have recently been learning about the changes to the body during puberty and how the structures function within the male and female reproductive systems. They have analysed their running techniques, as well as their fitness test results to set goals and put processes in place to be able to achieve higher outcomes. The Year 9's have been learning about sex and the law, contraception, sexually transmitted infections, and conception. The students are currently working on building mental strength in creating individual routines and cues to trigger their concentration during training session and match play. The Year 10's are enduring a 10-week SDERA Drivers Education Course in an attempt to become road wise proficient to receive their learner's permit.

It is with much appreciation that we thank Carl Sanders for his ongoing support of the Baldivis Secondary College. Carl sponsored the Baldivis Cricket Academy this year through supplying the students with training singlets. The cricketers look very professional in their new training attire and now have no excuse not to be in uniform!

It is great to see the effort put in by all of the students thus far and I have no doubt that this hard work will be transferred into the students reaching their full potential.

We now have our own BCA App which has been made possible, once again, through the generosity of Carl Sanders. All BCA members and parents are encouraged to download the app by going to either the App Store (Apple devices) or the Play Store (Android devices) typing in Baldivis Cricket Academy into the search field.

Contributed by Kris Kennedy | Cricket Academy Program Manager

SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME 2016

Every year, The Australian Library and Information Association holds a simultaneous reading of a picture book across Australia.

On 25 May, 2016 the Library staff invited Mr Svendsen to once again take the opportunity to remind our students of the benefits of having READING as a life-long habit. This year the book was "I got this hat…" and Mr Svendsen had the audience in stitches with his impressions of pirates, racing car drivers, a Scotsman and more. Behind the fun is a serious message – start reading early and read often throughout your life, as this is one of the best ways to learn and improve literacy skills. We hope the students enjoyed the reading and their "midnight snack" and will take advantage of the great collection of reading materials we have in the College Library.

Contributed by Kelsey Thompson | Library Services

NETBALL

Throughout this term, students in Years 7 to 10 have been busy training each Thursday morning at BSC.

The students have worked hard to improve their skills and are looking forward to putting their skills into practice later this term and throughout Term 3.

On Wednesday 25 May, the Year 7/8 team and Year 9 team represented Baldivis Secondary College in the High School Cup South Zone Carnival. Both teams played extremely well throughout the day and both won one game in their respective divisions. Despite playing against much older opponents, our netballers showed great determination and put up some quality competition in their games.

All of the students represented BSC extremely well, demonstrating strong qualities of teamwork, leadership and sportsmanship. We look forward to the upcoming fixtures against surrounding schools.

On Thursday, 2 June, during sessions four and five, the Year 7/8 netball team travelled to Atwell College to play a friendly match.

The girls were actually versing opposition who were all Year 8 students and put up a really good fight against the Atwell teams. They had some great plays across the four quarters and really worked as a team. The girls demonstrated excellent sportsmanship qualities and represented BSC in the highest regard.

Contributed by Jade Carmody | Health and Physical Education

TRIPLE P

The Positive Parenting Program is an internationally renowned parenting program being offered to parents along the coastal strip. Parents from across Perth have given it rave reviews.

http://www.triplep.net/glo-en/home/

If you are a parent of a teenager, you are invited to:

- Play an active role in guiding and supporting your teenager
- Discuss common parenting challenges that come with the teenage years
- Enrich your parent-teenager relationship
- Explore effective behaviour management strategies.

Remember, you don't have to be experiencing difficulties – Teen Triple P is for every parent!

The course runs over five face-2-face sessions. After the first 4 group sessions, there will be three follow-up telephone consultations followed by the final group session.

These are brief and help you to tailor the program to suit your family. Before the sessions start and when they have finished, you will be asked to provide some information about you and your teenager. This information helps in the development of other programs.

This course is very useful for parents of Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 students and is open to Baldivis Secondary College parents.

For more information and to register your interest to attend as soon as possible by returning the slip below or emailing your details to olwyn.maddock@education.wa.edu.au by Friday 29th July 2016.

REPURPOSE OLD STATIONARY AND OFFICE SUPPLIES!

- **Do you have stationery filling up your office drawers?**
- **Or left over from past school years and don't know what to do with it?**

Until the end of Term 2 we will be collecting donations of unwanted stationery from parents, students and teachers. A donation box will be placed in the front office for you to place your donations. In Term 3, a stall will be set up outside the cafeteria where students can purchase stationery at a critically low price with all proceeds towards the Starlight Children's Foundation.

So donate and help us help a great cause!

This is a WasteWise initiative by our talented Year 11 Career and Enterprise Students.

GENERAL GEOGRAPHY FIELDTRIP

On Friday, 6 May, the General Geography class attended their first fieldwork excursion to Penguin Island and Cape Peron.

This field trip combined with their inquiry based on eco-tourism in the local coastal area. Students enjoyed a glass-bottom boat tour and a guided walk around Penguin Island, conducting an analysis on the opportunities and strengths of the tourism ventures. A great day, enjoyed by all who attended. Photographs provided by Dominic Castagna. Some insights from our students include:

"An interesting day where I learnt about Penguin Island and the fact there are no cats, dogs, foxes or small predators on the island. Male penguins are slightly bigger than females too! It is all about conservation of environment"

Sam Whitcombe

"One thing I took away from our excursion was the knowledge about the marine life at Penguin Island and Cape Peron. Learning about the dolphins, baby pelicans and sea lions increased my awareness of how humans can impact animal life styles, but also monitor and look after them ensuring they are healthy and safe. I didn't realise that when adult pelicans are disturbed they will leave their nest and never return."

Hope Barron

"The best part of our excursion was seeing all the animals! Following a dolphin and her calf, watching the sea lions snooze, seeing hundreds of seagulls protecting their young… Overall, it was a great experience!"

Merehana Hemalato

"Wow! Our Geography teachers are wicked! They really love their subject! Hanging with them out in the field was awesome! Highly recommend doing Geography to all future senior school students"

Mr Hickman paraphrasing what all the students were clearly thinking.

eyes ON VET

Adyan Al Hassona displays her Barista skills

Attendees on the stadium site tour

Beth Calland practising her Barista skills

A lot has been happening in the VET courses across the school and students are really enjoying the 'hands-on' activities which take place regularly.

The Year 11 **Creative Industries (Media)** students have been working hard to complete a short film for entry into a competition. The film has to highlight the issue of Mental Health. Working in small groups, the students have had to write an original script and then shoot and edit the film. We can't wait to see the final product and wish the students luck.

The students have been using screenwriting software that also allows them to prepare production schedules, call sheets, storyboards and shot lists as part of their preproduction processes.

The quality of the scripts has been impressive and the students have collaborated well with each other and staff to complete the films.

When this project is complete the students will be working on a number of other films. These projects include training and promotional films for Wormall Civil, a trailer for our College drama production, a music video in the style of Post Modern Jukebox, and a promotional video for the College.

In the **Hospitality** classrooms, students did an amazing job catering for special guests at the Careers Expo and prepared a special morning tea for Deputy Premier Liza Harvey. Our talented Year 11 Hospitality students have been ticking the boxes with assessments. Students have also just started the 'Prepare Sandwiches' unit.

The Year 11 **Sport Coaching** students have been spending the last two weeks conducting basketball skill sessions for students from Rivergums Primary School. Each coaching session has required the Senior School students to include basic skill development drills, a game strategy and modified game. It has been very rewarding to see our Year 11 students at their best demonstrating outstanding interpersonal and self-management skills.

The world of the Construction Industry – Stadium Site Tour and Focus Group

This week I was fortunate enough, along with Mr Simon Entwistle and Mr Lachlan Gray, to be invited by the Construction Training Fund on a site tour of the new Perth Stadium, facilitated by Multiplex. This was an amazing opportunity to experience a live construction project which is vast in scale, much like the industry itself. Our construction students will have a lot of employment opportunities ahead of them over many years to come with all the building plans for WA.

The tour was followed by a focus group meeting which sought input from Career Advisers and Design and Technology teachers, to enable the Construction Training Fund to address the needs of students wishing to pursue a career in the WA construction industry and the opportunities available within it. The Fund is opening a new Career Information Centre in late 2017, and our students will be able to gain a lot of opportunities from this information hub.

SNAPSHOTS AROUND THE WORKPLACE...

Jamie Higgs
at Evolution Commercial

Bobby Farrows
at Serpentine Primary School

Hayden Simmons
at Agito Group

Gabriella Cook at The Chase Bar and Bistro

Joel Kepa
at Kwinana Performance

Kyle Boullineau
at PK Automotive

Jayde Griggs at Rockingham Early Learning and Child Care Centre

Marcus Goundar
at The Steel Tree

Danielle Vorster
at The Dome

KIC IMEN PROJECT

Men in local industry

Through its Education Partnership with 18 high schools in the region, the Kwinana Industries Council (KIC) recently held its annual iMen Project. Beck Bertoncin and Ben Merrifield in Year 10 were delighted to be selected for the 2016 project.

The project gives Year 10 male students the opportunity to get a real sense of what industries in the Kwinana Industrial Area (KIA) do and the vast array of career options they have to offer. This year, 32 iMen students were guided through a series of workshops including research into industry, career choices and education pathways, social media, personal branding, group activities and presentations, Resume writing and preparing for an interview.

The iMen had a lot to gain from this project and thoroughly enjoyed the six day program.

Contributed by Melinda Simich | VET and WPL Manager

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to represent their state at the national level:

Josh Draper - AFL 12s Boys

Kallum Penn - Basketball 12s Boys

Kaiarahi Rau - Netball 12s Girls

Sarah Verrier - AFL 15s Girls

Maua Fonua - Rugby Union 15s Boys