



Baldivis
Secondary College

NEWSLETTER

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COMING EVENTS

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

November 2017

- 6-7 Year 10 Outdoor Education Camp
- 7 Year 7 & 8 Cricket Fixture
Year 10 'Your Life In A day' Incursion
- 8 Parent Coffee Club 8:45am-9:30am
Year 9 Cricket Fixture
Year 11 Good Standing Breakfast
- 9 Year 7 School Visits
Year 10 Cricket Academy Bradbury Bat Tour
- 10 Year 7 School Visits
- 13 Year 8 Rugby League Carnival
- 13-24 Year 11 Exams
- 17 BASSA Summer Carnival
- 20 Year 9 & 10 Exams
Dance Showcase Rehearsal (1-4pm)
- 21-23 Year 8 Cricket Camp – Narrogin
- 27 Year 7 Cricket Fixture
Year 10 Rugby League Carnival
Dance Showcase (4-9pm)
- 28 P&C Meeting 6:30pm
Year 7 & 8 Cricket Fixture
AIME Excursion
- 29 Year 10 Cricket Fixture
Year 12 Graduation Night
Year 8 Story Time at Baldivis Primary School
- 30 Year 10 Cricket Fixture
Bush Rangers Excursion

December 2017

- 1 2017 Music Concert,
Arts Piazza 5-9pm



Hello BSC Family!

We have had a very busy few weeks with loads of great activities/events and visits with some of them featured in this edition. HASS

week was filled with a plethora of activities and enjoyment and great learning had by many. The Sustainable Urban Design projects were on display and judged by guest judges from the Department of Education and local business and industry. Yet again, the standard of work from our students was exceptional and the visitors were very impressed.

Our Interschool Athletics squad was selected and performed brilliantly on the day. We came away with another division win and now advance to the next division. Comments from other schools and organisers were very positive. Our students looked very organised and unified and as good as their performance was on the track we can also be very proud of the performance off the track with exemplary behaviour and sportsmanship on display.

There have been a number of Outdoor Education camps/expeditions conducted over the past few weeks and again the experiences our students have gained have been extraordinary. Our students continue to show terrific skill development.

We recently held a cultural appreciation day jointly organised with students. There was plenty of food and entertainment from a variety of cultures enjoyed by students and staff. It was a wonderful way to celebrate our college community's diversity and to reinforce our college ethos of unity and respect.

Over the past two weeks, we have had our Partner Primary Schools bring their Year 6 students for our transition days to help familiarise them with a high school setting and the standards and expectations we have at Baldivis Secondary College. Their days are filled with a variety of activities and lessons which enable them to get a taste for high school and to assist in alleviating some of the anxiety that typically comes from incoming Year 7 students. It was pleasing to see so many enthusiastic and respectful young students eager to join us in 2018. We look forward to their arrival.

Thank you to those students and parents who nominated staff at Baldivis Secondary College in the Department of Education's 'People's Pick' initiative. It was nice to have staff acknowledged on World Teachers Day last week.

Please enjoy this edition of the BSC E-Newsletter

Kindest regards

Keith Svendsen | Principal

MARGARET RIVER CAMP YEAR 11 GENERAL OUTDOOR EDUCATION

18 October to 20 October 2017

With an early rise at the break of dawn, our Year 11 class set off for our final camp of the year. We left school around 7am and arrived at 10.30am at the Boranup Forest in Margaret River, where we were welcomed by Dirty Detours for a mountain bike adventure. We set off into the Boranup Forest for two hours of adrenaline pumping fun. Sharp twists and turns along with a few jumps made for an exciting off-road adventure. With no time to waste, we went straight from the mountain biking to Giants Cave. The silent, pitch black caverns had everyone on edge. Scaling ladders up through confined spaces, we had to work as a team to get through the cave.

A short bus trip from the cave and we finally reached our camp for the next two days. Once set up, everyone relaxed, had dinner and began our camp debrief and games. The following day was the most challenging, with the hike of joy. Starting at the Margaret River Mouth we trekked from 7.45am until 2pm to reach our campsite. For the majority of the hike, our trip was a peaceful stroll with beautiful views of cliffs and ocean. At other times it was challenging as we faced soft sand and a tougher terrain. Everyone including the teachers were relieved when we had completed the hike.

Our last day was one of the highlights for many students on camp. We set off early in the morning, packed up camp and travelled to Redgate beach where we met up with the Margaret River Surf School who took us for a two hour surf lesson. For some of us it was our first time trying to surf on a surf board. However, it didn't take long before we all got the hang of controlling our boards and standing up. Some of us were even clever enough to do a switch foot whilst surfing. Once we finished up with our surf lesson we headed back to school. Overall, we had a great time on camp and we look forward to what next year has to bring in Outdoor Education.

Jaxon Rendell | Year 11 student



VISUAL ARTS

YEAR 9 SKATEBOARD DECKS



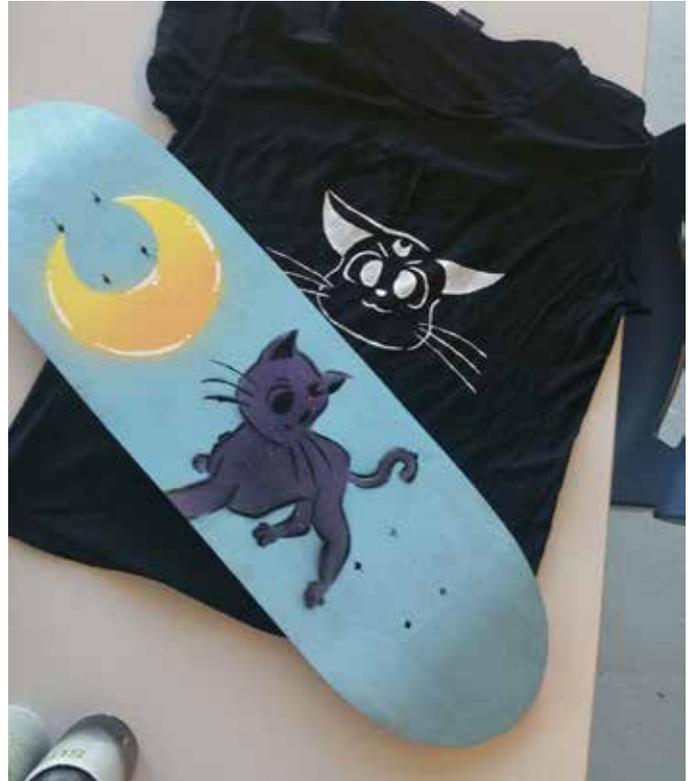
During Term 3, the Visual Arts & Design students were busy developing custom skateboard decks.

Students examined how graffiti artists, including the anonymous England-based street artist Banksy, utilise stencils as a method of quick application to communicate his views as a political activist.

Students took inspiration from Banksy's distinctive stencilling technique to communicate their own thoughts and ideas about pop culture, social media and political figures. Learners thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to manipulate spray paint to create a range of different surface textures and effects.

In addition, students had the opportunity to personalise their own T-shirt using the technique of silkscreen printing.

Tyffanie Johnson | Student
Caen Newland | Arts Teacher



CREATIVE CHARACTER DESIGN

YEAR 8 PHOTO MEDIA



Year 8 students in Ms Henderson's Photo Media class have been designing their own digital set of characters this term.

Students have been inspired by colourists for Marvel, DC and some local comic book designers, and will be using many of the same techniques and programs to develop their own characters.

Students began by drawing their designs by hand, re-tracing and scanning them, before using Adobe Illustrator to create vectors of their characters and then using drawing tablets and Adobe Photoshop to bring them to life with colour, shading and texture.

The new skills students gain from this task will assist them if they choose to follow a digital design pathway in future years or complete the Graphic Design ATAR course in Year 11 and 12.

Tyffanie Johnson | Student and Kimberley Henderson | Arts Teacher



BENDIGO BANK

MURDOCH PRESENTATION 2017

On 26 October, Imojen Hayward and Caoilin Redmond competed in the Bendigo Bank competition for, "How to improve your community", at the Murdoch University Rockingham campus.

All term, the girls have put in hours after school to create a hands-on and exciting presentation that had everyone who heard it enthralled. Their idea of hosting a "Rainbow Day" for inclusion on LGBTIQ youth was well received as the audience and judges learnt about the effects of bullying through statistics, participated in a paper crumple activity to show how bullying can bring people down when you crush them with words, and had audience members participate in a giant interactive rainbow and clouds game, where participants answered questions and moved up and/or down, whether or not they landed on a rainbow or cloud. They performed at an exceptionally high standard and the judges were impressed. Students will find out on the 22nd of November the winner of the competition.

Natasha Bolt | HASS Teacher

HASS WEEK

HASS ACHIEVERS LUNCH



During HASS week on Tuesday, 17 October, students were treated to a sausage sizzle at lunchtime because of their achievements.

Around 150 students were recognised by their HASS teachers as being “star achievers”, by consistently completing work to a high standard, displaying positive behavior and consistently always trying to do their very best. Our Curriculum Team Leader, Chris Hickman, took to the BBQ like a professional with other HASS teachers ensuring that all students who were recognised got their hands on a tasty, well-cooked sausage.

Mr Shaun Fowler | HASS Teacher



HASS WEEK

HASS QUIZ



The 2nd annual HASS Quiz took place in Regos during HASS Week with great success.

A record number of registrations took part over the course of the week. Students (and teachers!) were tested on their knowledge of flags, landmarks, historical figures, food and countries. The scores were very close with the overall winners in a tie for first place: Peel 2 (Mr Botha) and Peel 3 (Mrs Bolt). Congratulations!

A big thank you to everyone who participated, collected the sheets and helped to calculate the scores.

Alison Flockhart | HASS Teacher





HASS WEEK

KOMBAT ARCHERY

As part of the exciting HASS week, students had the opportunity to 'get one back' at their teachers in a fun game of Kombat Archery.

Kombat Archery is a mix of paintballing, dodgeball and archery, where two sides try to eliminate each other by striking them with a soft edged arrow. On Thursday, 26 October at lunch time, the course was set up, bows and arrows drawn and everyone was battle ready.

The game started off with a safety briefing and then kicked off with a bang. It didn't take long for the teachers to be outnumbered by the students. However, with a couple of brave moves from Mr. Hickman, he was able to bring the numbers back to even. The fierce battle continued until the bell rang with the end result being a great comeback win by the teachers. Fun was had by all and a new rivalry has started.

"Maybe next year students"... Mr Wheeler

Stefan Botha | HASS Teacher



HASS WEEK

HASS ORIGINS MAP

As part of the HASS Week activities, Registration classes completed a survey to share their town and country of origin.

With this data, Miss Gillett's 8.1 HASS class created a display in the Library, and completed a map and table breaking down the origins of our community.

Ms Gillett | HASS Teacher



So where does the Baldyvis Secondary College community come from?

- 950 of the BSC team provided their origin locations (staff, students and auxiliary staff)
- 38 countries are represented in our community
- We have representatives from all of the Australian states and territories
- England came in 2nd place, closely followed by New Zealand (the vast majority of our NZ students are from the North Island)
- We have over 30 students from South Africa (4th) and 17 students from the Philippines (5th)
- Some interesting countries that featured include Latvia, Greenland, Portugal, Barbados and Lebanon.



YEAR 10 SUSTAINABLE URBAN DESIGN SHOWCASE

Each year, our HASS Department challenges all Year 10 students to design an area of Rivergums using the WA State Government's Sustainable Growth Strategy, Perth: Directions 2031.

Industry leaders from Stockland and Cedar Woods, City of Rockingham Councillor Matthew Whitfield and local Baldivis MP Reece Whitby were on hand to discuss designs and ideas with students about the future of their local community and the city in general. More than 300 students participated with the top 85 selected to present at the showcase. Year 10 student Emily Blasch reflected on her experiences:

"The whole day was a great experience. We learnt so much about what is going on in our city today. It was fantastic to be a part of and an awesome opportunity to use our knowledge and imaginations in our designs".



The experts and special guests were blown away by the depth of knowledge and passion shared by the students. Awards were provided for the top designs, the overall winning team will be presented with I-Pads to further their study and creativity. The program extends participants' study of Geography, making 'real world' connections and identifying a myriad of future employment opportunities for students.

Tim Hill | HASS Teacher



HISTORY EXCURSION

ANNE FRANK EXHIBITION



The Year 10 and Year 11 History students attended an exhibition in Fremantle which displayed the story of Anne Frank, a young girl who died in WWII due to the rise of the Nazis and her being Jewish.

We watched a documentary that showed the locations of her hide-away home, her lifestyle and also left us thinking of how terrible and unfortunate timing was for her and her family. We then had a guided tour of her and her family's life, before, during and after the Holocaust. The tour explained the events of the Holocaust and Anne's experience of it. We saw her diary, a model of the Annex they hid in and who was hiding away with her. The experience was informative but heart-breaking.

Ethan Olver | Student

"The experience allowed us to better understand discrimination, how things have changed in today's society and how discrimination can still exist".

Isaiah Hawea | Student



YEAR 6 TRANSITION



It is a very exciting time for our College as we greet our newest community members.

In recent days, we have welcomed the current Year 6 students from our Partner Primary Schools during their Transition and Orientation visits. These students will be welcomed in to our College community in 2018 as our latest group of Year 7 students. Our staff have been very impressed with the Year 6 students who have visited us. They have demonstrated a high level of maturity and some really good skills which will help when they arrive at Secondary school.



During the orientation visit, all Year 6 students have experienced Physical Education at our College. They have produced a hologram in Mathematics as part of a wider Mathematics lesson where the students examined a range of mathematical concepts. The Year 6 students then moved in to Science lessons which engaged them with the science behind the hologram and a range of activities that asked the question, "Science or Magic?". Students worked as a team in our Food Technology area to produce lunch and enjoy it together before finally undertaking a range of teamwork challenges with our Youth Worker, Leigh.



This year has provided a really great opportunity for our College to again collaborate with our Partner Primary Schools to support Year 6 students and their families as they make the significant transition to Secondary school. Our focus in 2017 and into 2018, to support our newest College community members, is to build social cohesiveness and a sense of belonging. Our effort this year, and in to 2018, will support our youngest students in developing the relational capacity to work effectively and positively with each other and members of the wider College community. These important skills and understandings will support the Year 7 students in 2018 in making a really smooth transition in to the next phase of their education, leaving them well placed to make a really positive contribution to our College environment.

We welcome our newest students and thank their Primary schools for the great job that they have done.

Paul Jones | Deputy Principal

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

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

**Wednesday, 8 November
& 6 December 2017**

8.45am - 9.30am

Meet at college administration





Engaging Adolescents

Parenting skills for resolving teenage behavior problems

A two-session program for parents and carers

When Monday 20th and 27th of November
9 am – 12 noon

Where 9 Baralda Court, Rockingham

Cost \$10 for the parent workbook

Learn:

- Some common ground shared by parents and reasonable expectations to hold about adolescents
- A three-option model and flow chart for decision-making
- Building relationship with your teenager and making the best of your non-crisis conversations with them
- Skills for tough conversations for handling those problems you just can't ignore

Further Information

Contact KEYS on 9439 1838 for further information or to register.



SOUTH WEST METROPOLITAN PARENTING PARTNERSHIP



**FREE TEEN PARENTING SEMINARS –
for EVERY PARENT**

**Triple P – Teen Positive Parenting Program
SEMINAR SERIES**



Managing teenage children's behaviour can be challenging at times for most parents.

Parents are invited to attend free parenting seminars being offered this term to learn practical, positive and effective ways to manage common behavioural problems, and ways to help your child achieve their best at school and in the future.

Parents may choose to attend one, two, or all three of the following 2 hour seminars

When: **Monday 27 November 2017** Seminar One: Raising Responsible Teenagers
Monday 4th December 2017 Seminar Two: Raising Competent Teenagers
Monday 11th December 2017 Seminar Three: Getting Teenagers Connected
Time: 5:30- 7:30pm
Venue: Headspace, Unit 3/18 Goddard St, Rockingham WA 6168.
Cost: **Free – however bookings are essential. Refreshments provided**

For more information, or to register to attend a free parenting seminar please:

**Complete the slip below and return to
Shannon Butler
Psychologist
Gilmore College**

**or to: Headspace Rockingham
Unit 3/18 Goddard St, Rockingham
Ph: 6595 8888**

**or to reserve your place contact:
Shannon Butler 9411 1805**

BY 24th November 2017

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REGISTRATION FOR: TEEN POSITIVE PARENTING PROGRAM - SEMINAR SERIES

Name of Parent(s) wishing to attend:

(1) Surname _____ First Name _____ Mobile (1) _____

(2) Surname _____ First Name _____ Mobile (2) _____

Home Phone: _____

Postal Address: _____ Suburb: _____ Postcode: _____

Email: _____

Name of **Child**: _____ DOB of Child: ____ / ____ / ____

I / We wish to attend (please tick):

Seminar One – 27.11.2017 Seminar Two – 04.12.2017 Seminar Three – 11.12.2017

**Please return your registration to
Shannon Butler
Gilmore College, or to Headspace Rockingham
by 24 November 2017**