



Upcoming Events

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- 5-29 March** OLNA Numeracy & Reading
- 8 March** Year 12 Earth & Environmental Science Excursion
- 11 March** Monitoring Ecosystem Excursion
Graeme Wood Shield
- 11-29 March** OLNA Numeracy & Reading
- 12 March** Year 7 & 8 Immunisations
- 13 March** Inter-Academy Cricket Fixture
- 15 March** Bullying No Way National Day of Action
Year 8 Penguin Island Excursion
Reading Maps Scavenger Hunt Excursion
- 18 March** Graeme Wood Shield
- 19 March** Year 10 Leadership Program
Interschool Swimming Carnival
- 20 March** Parent Coffee Club (8:50am-9:50am)
- 21 March** Cert II CALM – Lowlands Excursion
Geoff Marsh & Peta Verco Shield
Inter-Academy Cricket Fixture
- 22 March** Year 12 EES Excursion
- 26 March** Year 9 & 10 Peel School Sports Lightning Inter-School Carnival
- 27 March** Year 7, 11 & 12 Parent Interviews 3:00pm – 7:00pm

From the Principal



Hello to our BSC family!

Thank you to the parents who have volunteered their time and efforts in nominating for office bearer positions on the BSC Parents and Citizens Association. Our AGM the other evening was well attended and we are looking forward to a productive year. Thanks also to those parents who were able to attend our Parent Coffee Clubs. Please look out for the days and times for the upcoming events and come and share in a cuppa and a lovely treat prepared by our amazing Hospitality students.

Our Year 10, 11 and 12 students who have yet to meet the Literacy and Numeracy standards for WACE are currently sitting the Online Literacy and Numeracy Assessments with students across the state. We wish them all the best for a successful completion in this round of assessments.

Classrooms have been buzzing with activity and students are engaged in a range of activities in each of their curriculum areas. Already we are seeing a wonderful effort from large numbers of students eager to do their best and

to challenge themselves to be the best that they can be. Parents can assist their child by following their progress and assisting with homework where possible. Please remember that CONNECT will details for each child's classes. If you are having any difficulty in accessing this please contact the College so that we can assist.

There is so much happening at school; this edition of the BSC E-newsletter includes what our English Curriculum team are doing to create classrooms that improve learning and our HASS team are sharing with you the learning for each year group to date. The Green Team are back at it encouraging students to be active in their travels to and from school and we see that many of our students are helping out in the garden as a part of their learning programs.

Please enjoy this e-newsletter.

Kind regards

Mr Keith Svendsen - Principal



Hospitality Group Training State Award

At the conclusion of last year, the Hospitality Department of Baldivis Secondary College (BSC) received the Hospitality Group Training (HGT) Partnership School Award for 2018. HGT currently has 52 schools in competition for this award and the criteria is of the highest of industry standards. Along with the accolade and plaque, we were extremely thankful to 'Robot Coupe' for donating a mini Industrial Stick Blender to add to our industry equipment.

The staff and students of BSC are extremely proud and gratified for receiving this prestigious award. The students have committed to working numerous out of class hours serving teachers, students and guests from the community. The skills they have trained and perfected have been appreciated by many and we are all looking forward to developing them further throughout the years to come.

Ms Tam Sheldon | Hospitality & Food Technology Teacher



English

Engaging students

Creating classrooms that improve learning

With a fresh new school year ahead, the first week started with a flurry of activity and proved to be challenging and rewarding. Transitioning between classes is exciting but is also likely to come with increased anxiety until things settle into a routine.

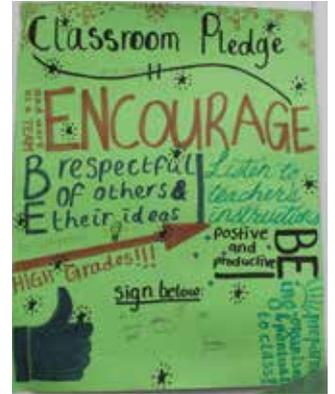
I believe that the classroom environment is very important to setting the right tone for students. When students are engaged in class - they learn more. It was vital for me to create a conducive classroom climate for learning: raising student expectations, developing rapport with students, establishing routines, challenging students to participate and take risks. It was indeed a smooth transition for students.

The Year 11 ATAR students started this term with short narratives. Students are exploring how meaning is communicated through the relationships between language, text, purpose, context and audience. During class time, students develop an understanding of stylistic features and apply skills of analysis and creativity. Students are engaged within their expert groups responding to the short narratives and reflecting on their own learning.

Mrs Raja | English Teacher

“We have been welcomed into ATAR English by our hard-working and dedicated teachers, who have provided us with an abundance of helpful resources from the beginning. With posters, charts and other eye-catching displays decorating our classrooms, we are inspired and motivated from the moment we walk in. Our ATAR journey may have only just begun, but we know that our English teachers are organised and prepared to give us all the help and support we need. A big thank you to our English Department for taking the time and making the effort to liven up our learning environment; and making it look good too!”

Charlotte Bennett | Year 11 ATAR English Student



HASS

Career and Enterprise

Students in Year 12 Career and Enterprise have recently been working on their collaborative skills in class tackling some new content. They are working in small groups to become experts on a global trend allocated to them before sharing their knowledge with their peers. Students have been demonstrating excellent communication and interpersonal skills in their groups and I am looking forward to seeing what they produce in an upcoming task on the topic.

Mrs Clayden | HASS Teacher



Year 11 Certificate II Business

Year 11 Certificate II Business students have hit the ground running with their qualification! They are already demonstrating competence in their first unit of competency, operating a personal digital device and are full steam ahead on their second unit of competency, communicate in the workplace! Here students are working collaboratively honing their communication skills verbally, non-verbally and in written communication through participating in meetings where they then complete minutes and action outcomes required for their workplace documents.

Mrs Clayden | Business/HASS Teacher



HASS

Year 7 HASS

Year 7 HASS classes are studying History this term. As the focus is ancient civilisations; all students are participating in an archaeological dig. They all received a box full of artefacts and they had to use the tools provided to extract them. It was a fun activity enjoyed by all.

Mrs Alison Flockhart | HASS Teacher



Year 8 HASS

This term, our Year 8 students have been introduced to the topic of mapping, landscapes and landforms within the Geography unit. They have participated in collaborative brainstorms to bring together their prior knowledge, and are using graphic organisers to arrange what they learn to communicate ideas effectively. Some examples include teachers are looking forward to the Year 8 excursion to Penguin Island, to be held later this term.

Ms Amy Brown | HASS Teacher



HASS

Year 9 HASS

This term in HASS Year 9 students are studying History – focusing on the Industrial Revolution and World War One. So far they have been learning about industries such as coal, steel, agriculture and textiles. They have also looked at the development of new inventions from the Industrial Revolution such as the steam engine, spinning jenny and seed drills. The impact of this technology upon society has also been studied. Students participated in a gallery walk, an activity where information was put up around the HASS foyer and students had to make notes from each of the eight stations. They then discussed what they had found out with a partner.

Mr Scott Johnston | HASS Teacher



Year 10 HASS

Year 10 students have been engaged in exploring the impacts at the end of World War One, the ‘Roaring Twenties’ and the Great Depression. By analysing the stories and historical sources of evidence the students are piecing together their understanding of what occurred, as well as immersing themselves in the stories of everyday Australians and evaluating the impacts these events had on Australian society. Next up, Year 10 students will explore the causes, events and impacts of World War Two.

Mr Tim Hill | HASS Teacher

Year 10 Boys Class Garden Project

The Year 10 HASS boys class helped organise and prepare the garden beds outside the HASS block this week. They helped pull out weeds, clean the beds and built a trellis to aid in the growing of large quantities of tomatoes. These beds will be used by the Year 8 students to support them in their Geography curriculum this term.

The boys worked hard and took pride in their work, it was great to see everyone working together to create a wonderful space. The Year 10 boys’ program helps build leadership skills as well as working in a team and developing work readiness skills. Throughout the year the boys will undertake a variety of projects that supports the HASS curriculum.

Mr Stefan Botha | HASS Teacher



Kitchen Garden

As a leading secondary school in the W.A. Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program we have kicked off 2019 with an ambitious plan to engage over 600 students in projects relating to healthy eating and food security. Our Year 8 students will grow a range of produce from seed, using these as ingredients for the Food Technology classes. The Food Technology teachers are leading the way in educating our students on the benefits of growing their own food, and students can experience the process from 'seed to plate'. The students have worked productively to clear and prepare the garden beds and will soon be planting seeds for future propagation.

Ms Vikki Moulton | Food Technology Teacher

“Pleasurable food education teaches Australian children positive food habits through fun, hands-on learning.”

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program.





Green Team

“The Green Team” is an amazing group of young people who are leaders in our community in promoting safe travel to and from school. The motivation for these students is first of all the safety of all students but also includes reducing congestion and our impact on the environment. Last year the Green Team achieved some amazing things such as getting the stencils put down on the most common routes to school and creating the access guides. These were both designed and produced by the students of the Green Team. Blogging about these amazing achievements earns the Green Team points. With these points they decided to get bike repair stations installed next to each of the bike racks at school. Thank you Green Team for all your hard work and sharing the reward with all students.

Ms Chloe Mallen | Science Teacher

Launch of Breakfast Club

Baldivis Secondary College celebrated the official launch of their new breakfast club with pancakes. Allison Edwards, the schools Chaplain, has been working on establishing the new breakfast club with the hope of it becoming a welcomed part of the school's culture. The purpose is not just to provide a hearty breakfast for students who otherwise wouldn't get it and the fitness club, but to also be a place to make and meet with friends, a positive experience of school, a safe buffer zone for students who might be anxious, to improve attendance and a good incentive to get to school early. We are especially grateful to Peter, Bill, Blake and Patricia from Hope Community Church, who have come on-board to support the Breakfast Club, for producing an impressive amount of pancakes, for helping with the setting up and cleaning up, and creating a warm and friendly atmosphere. Also to our student leaders, Nikisha, Mackensie, Tyler and Taleisha for helping with the advertising and encouraging and directing students to the right room. It was a lot of work so early in the morning, but well worth it for the 70 or so students who enjoyed their before school treat.

Ms Allison Edwards | Chaplain



You are invited to



Baldivis
Secondary College

Parent Coffee Club

Come along for a coffee. Meet some teachers and parents. Manager from Student Services will be our guest speaker.

**20 March, 15 May,
12 June**

8.50am - 9.50am

Meet at college administration