

Barham High Newsletter

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Term 4 Week 2

15/10/2015

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

HSC

The Higher School Certificate examinations have well and truly commenced! At the time of writing, students have completed the two English papers, the Music theory examination and examinations for Primary Industries and Society and Culture. The examinations will continue for the next few weeks with the last examination any of our students face being Visual Arts on November 4th. I am very proud of the way our students have calmly faced the rigours of the examination process and I wish them well as they attempt to demonstrate their knowledge gained throughout the HSC course.

Our students are, of course, only a small subset of the 77,000 students completing the HSC examinations this year. I encourage them to take the process seriously and do their very best.

Barham P&C AGM

The P&C Annual General Meeting will be held at the school on Monday 19th October, commencing at 7:00pm. We will be meeting in B1, the PDHPE classroom on the ground floor, through the gates as you enter the school. Our Parents & Citizens Association is an integral part of our school. It is a forum for discussion, for planning and for the sharing of ideas and an association that gets things done. We would dearly love to see more interested parents involved with the meetings and I encourage you to come along and support our P&C on Monday night.

Transition days for Year 6 into Year 7

Our transition program will again be running this year as an introduction for prospective students into high school life at Barham High School. The program will commence in Week 5 and will run on consecutive Tuesdays, all day for three weeks. The purpose of the program is to ensure that our new students are ready for high school, aware of our routines and at ease with our systems. It gives them a chance to meet their teachers, have a good look at the place and hopefully put any potential fears to rest. A huge amount of work goes into organising these days and they aren't possible without the assistance of Lakes Buses, the staff of BHS and the staff of our partner schools to make these programs work. I would very much like to acknowledge the hard work of Ms Pereira in co-ordinating the transition process. Thanks to everyone and we look forward to having our Year 6 students in the school later this term.

Driver Education

Once again, we will be taking Year 10 students to the Driver Education centre in Charlton for an intensive two day driver education course. This is a highly important opportunity for our students to be taught the correct and safe way to handle motor vehicles on our roads and to be mature and responsible road users. I hope the students have fun and are able to take on board the many important tips they will gain in the course.

Glenn Buchanan (Relieving Principal)

Duke of Edinburgh Award

One Gold (Abbey Hird) and four Silver (Katie-Ann Stiff, Mikayla Penrose, Brittney McInnes & Taylah Thompson) students completed their Qualifying Adventurous Journey on 7-10 October at Lorne. We camped at Allenvale Mill Campground in the Otways, which was a short ten minute hike in from the parking area, in a picturesque setting beside the Saint George River. The area was full of wildlife including an echidna, koala, wallabies, King Parrots and Kookaburras. Our walks included the Erskine Falls, Phantom Falls, Upper & Lower Kalimna Falls, Won Wondah & Henderson Falls, Sheek Falls & Swallow Cave. We also visited the Lorne Tourist Information Centre to help identify flora & fauna photos we had taken in the Otways as well as learn more about the history of the area including the construction of the Great Ocean Road. The two hour learn to surf lesson was a highlight in beautiful conditions at Anglesea beach. Katie was definitely the 'pro surfer' of the group.

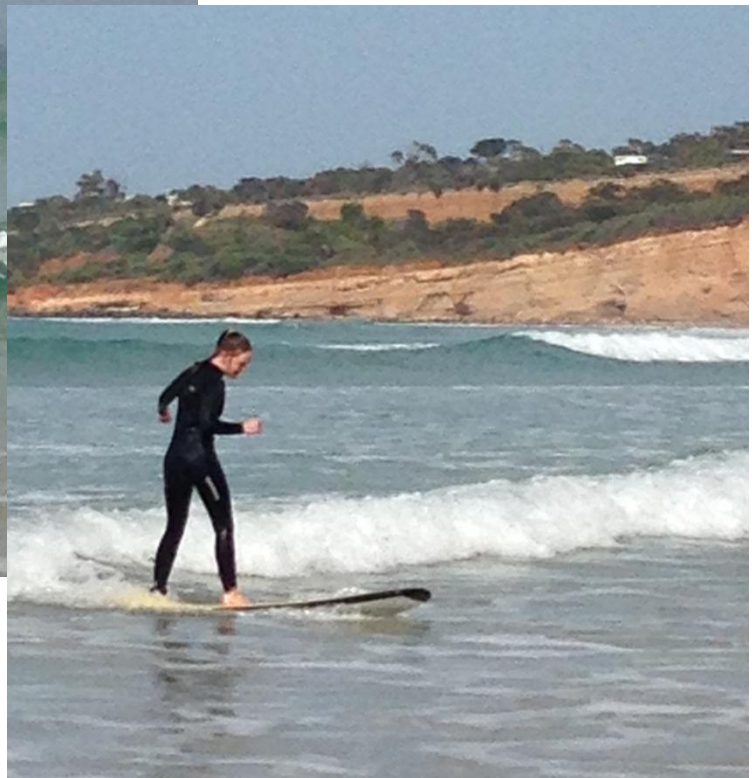
Hopefully, the girls will now complete their final Duke of Ed commitments including the A.J. Journal and logging of their Physical Recreation, Skill and Community Service sections, in order to complete their award level. They are to be congratulated on their persistence, time-management and commitment. We would also like to thank Peter Hird for accompanying us on the trip.



D of E Silver and Gold students at Erskine Falls



D of E students at Anglesea Beach



Australian Mathematics Competition

The school has recently received the results of the Australian Mathematics Competition that was held earlier this year. Of the nine students who entered this competition this year, Abbey Hird was awarded a Certificate of Credit and seven were awarded Certificates of Proficiency: Tessa Fasham, Sophie Disher, Matthew Hird, Samuel McGowan, Karli Vallence, Mikayla Penrose and Christopher Phelan. Congratulations to all these students on their effort.



<http://bhs.aussie-driver.com/>

Is a free driver knowledge test simulator for NSW or VIC students from Barham High school with practice tests, driver manuals and FAQ about getting your driver's licence.

Help! The Science faculty are in desperate need for any of the following items for their upcoming Year 7 assessment task. If you can help in any way it will be greatly appreciated. Thanking you!

Drinking straws, cardboard rolls (any length/size), tissue paper (any colour), cellophane (any colour), cardboard boxes (any shape/size), egg cartons, paper (any colour), cardboard (any thickness), paddle pop sticks, shoe boxes, plastic bottles (any sizes), tissue boxes, plastic containers (eg yoghurt, ice cream etc) and plastic lids (any size/shape).

KOONDROOK - BARHAM JUNIOR BASKETBALL ASSOC

SEASON 2015/2016 – MIXED COMPETITION: under 11s, 14s, 18 under and Aussie Hoops

REGISTRATION: Thursday, 22 October, 5 – 6pm Barham Rec Reserve courts.

If unable to attend, please leave name with Lorrae Curry, Helen Skate, Kay Knight or Tanya Heffer (heffred@bigpond.net.au). Fee \$45.

All welcome – no need to have played before.

We will need coaches, umpires, and team managers – don't be shy and no previous experience required!

B.H.S. PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

***Barham High School P&C AGM will be held on the 19th October 2015 at 7:00pm
ALL PARENTS AND CARERS ARE WELCOME***

All positions will be declared vacant and nominations will be accepted for all positions. We require at least 2 positions to be filled due to families finishing at our school at the completion of the Year 12 exams. If you are interested in either of the following positions please contact Sharon McGuinness or Susan O'Neill for more details.

P&C Treasurer: This is not a huge job as most of the transactions are done by the canteen treasurer.

Cleaning Co-ordinator: We clean the Reception Centre after a funeral has hosted the wake there and the funeral directors pay us for this. This position is just to receive the calls from the funeral directors and then to organise some-one to clean. At the moment our co-ordinator usually cleans also (unless she is unavailable). As she can't make it to meetings, that is her contribution to the P&C. She has found this is a great way of helping our school without having to attend the monthly meetings.

BARHAM HIGH SCHOOL PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Monday 19th October, 2015 at 7:00pm**

To be held in B1 (first classroom on the left past the school office)

ALL WELCOME

DENILIQUN ICE FORUM

Deniliquin Council will hold an Ice Forum on Thursday 26th November, 2015 at the Deniliquin RSL Auditorium, commencing at 6pm.

To register your attendance email: simone.tonkin@deniliquin.nsw.gov.au

Kerang Friday Night Junior Netball Association
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Monday 19th October
7:30pm @ Kerang Basketball Stadium's Social Room
ALL WELCOME

Any queries call Melissa 0428522468 or Fiona 0418538850.

Kerang Amateur Swimming & Lifesaving Club

Registration Night for 2015/2016
Wednesday 14th October – 4:00pm-6:00pm
Swimming Club Rooms – Shadforth St. Kerang

Registration forms may be collected from
Kerang Sportspower or on the night.

Fees: \$85.00 Single
\$210.00 Family (3 or more children)

Reminder that KAS&LC members require a
Pool entry Season Ticket that may be purchased on registration night.

Further enquiries – Alicia Makeham 54503599
or visit us on Facebook

Members who pay on the night are automatically entered into the draw to win a bag of swimming goods!

WAKOOL TOWN GARAGE
SALE & CAR WASH

SATURDAY 21ST NOVEMBER
8.30AM-1PM

**All proceeds support the Wakool Pre School and
Wakool Burraboi Public School!**

**This is a great opportunity to clean out the cupboards, grab a bargain and
have your car sparkling clean!!**

- ★ \$10 for a site at the Public School or to be placed on the town map
- ★ Gold coin donation to purchase a map on the day
- ★ Breakfast, lunch, drinks and maps will be available at the school from 8.30am
- ★ Carwash to be held on the school grounds
- ★ Any donation of goods will be accepted for the Preschool stall to sell

To register please contact

Sandy Pratt-nener 0419388622 or Emma Gleeson 0429871156

By the 17th November