

Barham High Newsletter

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Term1 Week 9

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

School Excursions

The Year 11 Crossroads excursion will be held in Week 10 (next week) and the Year 7 excursion to Melbourne and the Year 8 excursion to the South Coast are coming up at the end of term. These excursions provide great learning opportunities for our kids and I hope that everyone can attend. However, these are hard times for some of us and if anyone is experiencing difficulties getting their child to the excursion, can you please contact the school so that we can assist you.

Year 12 Examinations

Year 12 examinations are on their way! It is important that students are undertaking a dedicated study routine to prepare for these important assessments. It is imperative that they are balancing their study time with their other commitments and are wary of over extending themselves.

Year 11 Work Audits

As part of our monitoring process of students entering the senior school, Mr McConnell has coordinated the Year 11 work audits where teachers had the opportunity to identify students who are performing very well in their subject area as well as those who need a little extra help. I was thrilled to read and sign so many letters that will be sent home to parents outlining this process. It is great to see how well the Year 11 cohort has settled in to their senior studies.

Happy Easter

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe and happy Easter. Please enjoy the break and the opportunity to spend time with loved ones. Victorian schools will commence their school holidays at Easter but NSW schools, including Barham High School, will be back after Easter for a further two weeks before we break for school holidays after the 8th April.

I hope the Easter Bunny is kind to you.

Glenn Buchanan

Relieving Principal



FROM THE DEPUTY'S DESK



Stage 5 Bring Your Own Device: A recent audit of Year 9 indicated that several students have yet to obtain a laptop or tablet. At Stage 5 level (Years 9 and 10) and at Stage 6 level (Years 11 and 12) these are mandatory and classes that do not have all students with them cannot function to their optimum. Students without devices are in fact compromising the whole group. I have spoken to students and have asked them to make it a priority to obtain a suitable device for the start of term 2.

The school has a pool of suitable laptops for hire for \$25.00 a term. Money can be paid to the office or online.

Whilst devices are not mandatory at Stage 4 level, they are certainly a suitable option if students wish to use them in class.

Mobile Phones: Whilst the school allows students to bring mobile phones to school, there is a ban on their use during class time; but also inappropriate use of phones at lunchtime and at recess is not acceptable. This includes taking photographs and videos of other students and uploading these images. Inappropriate use of phones will result in the loss of this privilege.

White Card Course: The school will run a White Card course on Thursday 5th May. Notes have gone home to students who have indicated an interest in or need to obtain a White Card. It is a mandatory requirement of the Department that all students participating in work experience or a work placement that involves going onto a work site, must hold a NSW Work Cover issued "White Card" to meet the requirements of NSW Work Health and Safety. This requires 6 hours of face to face delivery. The minimum age to complete a White Card course is 14 years old. Workcover NSW does not permit online delivery of this course in NSW.

To participate in the White Card course students will need a User Student Identifier (USI). Interested students have been given the information on how to obtain this. It is most important that the money (\$80.00) for the course and the information needed to get the USI are returned to the school as soon as possible (next Wed 30th March). Any problems or issues with the USI should be directed to Mr Yu or Mr Taylor.

Any other students interested in obtaining a White Card should contact the school a.s.a.p.

Excursions: Three great excursions (Year 11 Crossroads, Year 7 Melbourne and Year 8 South Coast) are coming up in the last two weeks of this term and two more (Tertiary Tour and Stage 6 Legal Studies) in the first two weeks of next term. These will provide life long memories for all participating students. Please make sure that all students are fully aware of what they need to bring in order to get the most out of these experiences.

50 Year Anniversary: A second meeting has been held to confirm the organisation of the 50 year celebration of the anniversary of the opening of the BHS buildings. The last weekend of the 2017 October holiday has been selected and a venue has been booked for a dinner on Saturday 7th October 2017. More details will come out closer to the event but put this weekend in your diaries now.

Ian McConnell
Relieving Deputy Principal

NORTH WEST ZONE SHOOT

This week, fifteen students participated in the Bar-rook Field & Game annual North West Zone School Shoot. We received some outstanding results.

Katie Stiff's score of 16/24 won her the Girls Overall High Gun. Zoe Sampson and Emily Jones placed second and third, respectively in the Senior Girls category. Samuel Membrey placed third in Junior Boys Non-Member.



In the teams competition, Katie Stiff & Emily Jones came first in the Senior Girls. Michael Sampson, Jack Shannon & Kelan Roy came second in the Junior Boys, and Jack Webb, Morgan Turvey & Tom Amor were placed second in the Senior boys.

A huge thank you goes to the Bar-rook Field & Game members for their ongoing support of our BHS shooters.



1994 T. SMITH	S. PENGLASE	M. LEWIS	1994 D. LANG	FEB 28 G. LERM
1995 T. SMITH	S. PENGLASE	1995 D. LANG	MAY 21 W. MCARTHY	
1996 T. SMITH	S. PENGLASE	1996 L. HEFFER	AUG 25 S. STORM	
1997 T. SMITH	S. PENGLASE	1997 D. LANG	AUG 25 S. PENGLASE	
1998 F. DICK	D. FRANK	1998 L. HEFFER	JAN 28 S. STORM	
1999 F. DICK	D. FRANK	1999 D. LANG	AUG 28 S. STORM	
2000 F. DICK	D. FRANK	2000 D. LANG	APR 21 S. STORM	
2001 D. HUTSON	L. ARCHARD	2001 P. LILFORD	FEB 26 S. STORM	
2002 D. HUTSON	L. ARCHARD	2002 P. LILFORD	FEB 26 S. STORM	
2003 D. HUTSON	L. ARCHARD	2003 P. LILFORD	OCT 20 S. STORM	
2004 D. HUTSON	L. ARCHARD	2004 P. LILFORD	NOV 06 B. HARRISON	
2005 D. HUTSON	L. ARCHARD	2005 P. LILFORD	JUL 27 S. STORM	
2006 D. HUTSON	L. ARCHARD	2006 P. LILFORD	AUG 27 G. WOODS	
2007 D. HUTSON	L. ARCHARD	2007 P. LILFORD	NOV 27 S. STORM	
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2023 D. HUTSON	L. ARCHARD	2023 P. LILFORD	NOV 27 S. STORM	
2024 D. HUTSON	L. ARCHARD	2024 P. LILFORD	NOV 27 S. STORM	

STEWART HOUSE - 2016 DONATION DRIVE

Envelopes are attached to this newsletter.

Please return your donation to the school office by Monday, 9th May.



CALCULATORS

A reminder: that all students need to bring a calculator to every Maths lesson. Calculators are available at the front office for \$20.

SRC Report

This week at BHS the SRC got together and organised some Easter orientated activities, from colouring in jigsaw puzzles to Easter egg hunts and egg and spoon races. Thank you to all the students who participated and gave up their time to make this possible. Your efforts and commitment were admirable. Thanks also to Sonya in the canteen for letting us take over her work space and for her assistance. And of course thanks must go to the ladies in the front office for their continued support and assistance. Stay tuned for what the SRC have on their agenda for next term.



Lining up for warm Hot Cross Buns



Kalani and Tatum piecing the puzzle together



From the top: egg & spoon race; Lauren & Tessa madly colouring in; the Easter egg finding frenzy



Practical Support for Higher School Certificate Examinations

Information for Students and Parents

The Board of Studies has a program to help students with practical support in their Higher School Certificate examinations. This practical support, known as provisions, assists students to read examination questions and to write their answers. Provisions include rest breaks and extra time. The use of any provision is not written on the student's results.

Students may need provisions for:

- a permanent condition, such as diabetes or reading difficulty
- a temporary condition, such as a broken arm, or
- an intermittent condition, such as back pain when sitting for long periods.

It is not embarrassing to apply for or use provisions. More than 5000 HSC students apply for provisions each year. Provisions help students to show the markers what they know and can do.

To apply for provisions, the school submits an online application to the Board of Studies. This application tells us which provisions the student is requesting and includes recent evidence. Evidence may include medical reports, reading results, spelling results, writing samples and teacher comments.

Much of the evidence can be collected by the school, but the parents' role is welcome and needed. Parents help by talking with the school, describing the student's needs, and providing the school with medical or other reports.

Applications for provisions should be submitted by the school to the Board of Studies by the end of Term 1. Late applications are accepted for an emergency, such as a broken arm, until the time of the examinations.

Once the Board of Studies has made a decision about which provisions are approved or declined, a decision letter is provided to the school. The school will provide the student with a copy of the letter.

If you or the school are not satisfied with the Board's decision, it is possible for the school to lodge an appeal. Appeals must state why the Board's decision is unsuitable and must include new evidence to support the appeal.

If you think that you or your child may require support in completing the Higher School Certificate examinations, please discuss the matter with the Year Adviser, School Counsellor or teacher.

Kerang Junior Netball Association

Friday Night Junior Netball

This year's season is to commence on Friday 15th April 2016 with a Skills and Registration Night.

Juniors - 4:20pm (Grade 1 in 2016 to Grade 4 in 2016)

Seniors - 5:20pm (Grade 5 in 2016 to Year 9 in 2016)

To be held at the Kerang Indoor Basketball Stadium. Registration forms can be picked up prior to the night from Kerang Sportspower. If any parents are able to help out it would be greatly appreciated.

Any queries call Kirstyn: 0408 509221 or Melissa: 0428 522468



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Australian Network for
Plant Conservation Inc



Barham Landcare



MURRAKOOOL LAND
FOR WILDLIFE

A native plant identification workshop will be held at:

The Barham Federation Botanic Reserve

**on Thursday 28th April 2016
9.00am to 1.30pm**

Martin Driver will be presenting the workshop with indigenous cultural input from Esther Kirby (Barapa Barapa and Wemba Wemba Aboriginal Elder).

Program:

9.00am	Meet / Introduction etc
9.20am	Welcome to Country (Esther Kirby in attendance)
9.30am	Basic Plant Taxonomy - with some plant specimens, questions & reference books etc
10.00am	Morning Tea
10.30am	Site walk and talks and Plant ID
12.30pm	Lunch
1.30pm	Close / questions / follow up



Purpose of the workshop:

- Engagement in sustainable land management.
- Native plant identification to improve knowledge and skills.
- Uses, management, seed collection, propagation of native plant species.
- Identification of appropriate local native plant species to incorporate into own property to improve biodiversity outcomes.
- To increase understanding, appreciation and interaction with the natural environment.
- To learn about traditional ecological knowledge of the Barapa Barapa and Wemba Wemba Traditional land owners in the region.

The Reserve is located along East Barham Road, Barham, 1.6km from the Post Office. Morning tea and lunch is provided. Wear comfortable walking shoes, a hat and aerogard.

There is no charge but for catering purposes please RSVP by 25th April numbers of attendees to:

Christine Dartnell on 5453 3480, 0404 835 384, gonefishin2527@bigpond.com

OR

Roger Knight on 5453 1959, 0487 455 511, roger.knight@wmlq.org



'Recruiting'



In partnership with

Northern District Community Health Service *'Turn Up The Heat'*
FReeZA program:

We are looking for enthusiastic, committed young people who want to make a difference to the community in which they live and to be the best they can be.

If this is you, please register your interest through our *FReeZA Facebook* page or contact our Youth Workers at Northern District Community Health Service on (03) 5451 0200.

* If you have enjoyed a FReeZA event and would like to be involved in the running of

FReeZA events

or

* If you thought the last FReeZA event was pretty lame and you could have done it better:

Join our FReeZA Committee!

You can check out the FReeZA website www.freeza.vic.gov.au for more information *or see your school FReeZA representatives for more details.*

GANNAWARRA SHIRE
YOUTH COUNCIL AND
QUAMBATOOK COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION
PRESENT

DAVID BOWIE IN
LABYRINTH

QUAMBATOOK
SILOS

Free family event
BYO chairs/beanbags
BBQ and cold drinks
available to purchase

Bus from Safeway
Carpark, Kerang
7pm
Returning after
screening
For more information
contact Penny on:
54509333

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FRIDAY APRIL 8TH



NATIONAL
YOUTH
WEEK



SKATE PARK

*The Barham Skate Part Redevelopment Committee will next meet on
Monday 4th April at 5:30pm at Purple Patch Skate and Surf.
All interested people are invited to attend.*