



2018 Term 3 Weeks 9-10

Newsletter

Barham High School



Enabling students to successfully transition to future learning and employment

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Calendar

Term 4, Week 1

Mon 15th October Staff & Students return
Tues 16th October
Wed 17th October

Thurs 18th October HSC Exams:
Eng. Paper 1 - 10:20am
Primary Ind. - 1:55pm
Friday 19th October HSC Exams:
Eng. Paper 2 - 9:25am

Term 4, Week 2

Mon 22nd October HSC Exams:
Legal Studies - 9:25am
Tues 23rd October HSC Exams:
Ancient Hist. - 9:25am
Wed 24th October HSC Exams:
Biology - 9:25am
Construction - 1:55pm
Thurs 25th October HSC Exams:
Maths Gen 2 - 9:25am
Mathematics - 1:55pm
Fri 26th October HSC Exams:
Snr Science - 9:25am
Metal & Eng. - 1:55pm

Feature Photo



**Final week for Year 12
- 80's Theme Day -**

Reminder:

Assembly – every Tuesday morning “A Weeks”

Year Meetings – every Tuesday morning “B Weeks”

Looking for school documents?

Visit the school Website

<http://www.barham-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

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Principal's message

Canteen

The school canteen will operate under slightly different opening hours next term with the removal of the Monday afternoon recess service. This is a cost saving measure aimed at reducing labour while still having minimum impact on students. Lunchtime service and lunch orders will remain as will a comprehensive menu. Recess service will continue to operate for the remaining days of the week but not on Mondays.

P&C AGM

I would like to welcome all parents and community members to our Annual General Meeting on Monday 15th October, starting at 7:00pm. As it is our AGM, all positions will be declared vacant and be up for grabs. I will be conducting a short presentation about the minimum standards required for the HSC from 2020.

Parent / Teacher Interviews

Thank you to all those families who embraced the opportunity to talk with our teachers at the Parent/Teacher Interviews last week. It was very heartening to see so many families there discussing the academic progress of our students and investigating strategies for further improvement. For families unable to attend and would like to still enter into a conversation, please contact the school and alternative arrangements can be made.

Hats

Spring is most definitely in the air. We have all enjoyed the slowly improving weather lately, although a little rain would be nice. With the new term comes the requirement to wear a hat to school. Students are reminded to wear a hat both during the break times and during sport/PE. This is in line with our sun safe policy for terms 1 and 4.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN results have gone home this week. Overall, I was very pleased with the results and we will utilise the data gleaned from the results analysis to drive future school

improvements to student learning. If any parent would like further explanation of the NAPLAN results for their child, please feel free to contact the school.

Year 11 Examinations

Our Year 11 students have been displaying their collective knowledge this week as they have undertaken their final exams for the Preliminary HSC course. They all will commence their HSC course at the beginning of next term.

Year 12

This week marks our Year 12 students' final week at school. The Year 12 formal farewell assembly will be held at cluBarham at 10:15 am on Friday morning, all are welcome to attend. This is our opportunity to wish our students all the best as they transition into their life post-school. Whilst their formalised lessons will conclude at the end of this week, they still have their HSC examinations to prepare for. These exams will commence with the English examination on the first Thursday next term.

End of Term

Term 3 is traditionally a very busy and hectic period and this year was no exception. I would like to thank and congratulate all members of the Barham High School community for their sustained hard work and dedication. The opportunity now exists for us to have a little breather and refocus ourselves for another jam-packed term as we finish the year off.

I would like to wish everyone in our learning community a very happy and safe holidays. As I mentioned earlier, I wish our Year 12 students every success as they take the next few weeks to prepare for their HSC examinations. Even though the weather is kind, they really need to knuckle down and apply themselves for the next few weeks with the incentive of an extended holiday once the exams have come to a conclusion very early in November.

Glenn Buchanan Principal



P&C UNIFORM SHOP

There is a large range of recycled summer uniform items for sale.

We gladly accept all uniform donations to be recycled.

Sharon McInnes is currently repairing school dresses for the uniform shop.

If you need a dress size that isn't in the P&C hop, please give Sharon a call:

Phone: 0438 531 366

SCHOOL CANTEEN

From Term 4 onwards,
the School Canteen will be
closed on Monday
afternoons at recess.

Service for orders and lunch
remains unchanged.

The next P&C Meeting
will be the

A.G.M.

7:00 PM

15TH OCTOBER

TERM 4 BEGINS FOR BOTH STAFF AND STUDENTS

MONDAY, 15TH OCTOBER



Deputy Principal's message

Chances for Children

Congratulations to the SRC who organised and ran a school fete last Friday. Money raised was donated to Chances for Children - our own local charity. Chances has become recognised as a valuable contributor to the lives and futures of young people living in north west Victoria and south west New South Wales. Since 2000 it has supported over 1,850 children from our region to the tune of over \$4.66 million providing them opportunities to pursue their education whether at TAFE or university or at high school. Chances is entirely a community funded program and worthy of our support. Several Barham High School students have been supported directly by Chances.

School Holidays

As another busy term finishes, the holiday should be a time for students to rest and recharge for next term. The holiday will also provide an opportunity for students to make sure all of the day-to-day equipment they need for school is refreshed and replaced if need be. For Stage 5 and Stage 6 students I am referring to laptops, especially if they need to be repaired or replaced. However, all students need to make sure that they have dairies, pens, pencils, calculators, workbooks and whatever else is needed period by period. Towards the end of term some Stage 5 students were arriving to class not fully prepared, especially without laptops, which impacts on the whole group. The expectation is that by Stage 5 students should have their own laptops, which should be brought to school fully charged every day. The continued reliance on pool laptops wastes valuable class time and limits the use of this resource to Stage 4 classes that need a full set.

Student Attendance

Parents and caregivers are reminded that students are to attend school on each and every school day. Regular attendance at school is essential to assist students to maximise their potential. Schools, in partnership with parents, are responsible for promoting the regular attendance of students. Parents and caregivers are required to explain the absences of their children from school promptly. An explanation for absence must be provided to the school within 7 days of the first day of any period of absence. I will endeavor to contact parents promptly of an absence being unexplained, if contact has not already been made.

Year 11

Year 11 are completing end of Preliminary course exams this week and we wish them all the best. It is hard to imagine that when they resume school after the holidays they will begin their Year 12 HSC courses. For some it has been a bit of a reality check as end of course exams assess the whole course. Ongoing preparation is demanded, so it is a timely reminder as the Year 12 courses begin.

Year 12

At the same time Year 12 students are finishing their courses this week. Hopefully, no effort will be spared by them in preparing for their HSC exams. They should keep in close contact with their teachers for any support that they should need. At the conclusion of the Farewell Assembly on Friday 28th September, Year 12 students, parents and caregivers are invited back to the high school for morning tea. The first HSC exam is the English paper 1 on Thursday October 18th. The final HSC exam for our students is on Thursday 8th of November. The year 12 formal will be on Friday 9th of November.



Science/Vis Arts/Careers Report

Year 7

Year 7 are enjoying their “Forces” topic and have been investigating the forces involved in the flying of paper planes.

Year 8

Year 8 have been continuing work on their Student Research Projects and have collected data. They are investigating the factors involved in the reaction rate of dissolvable tablets. They will continue to work on their written report in class until the due date (TBA). Year 8 will complete the VALID 8 online assessment in Week 3 or 4 next term (please refer to the ‘Letter to Parents’ included in this newsletter). This test will run for 70 minutes and students are required to supply their own ear/head phones.

Stage 5

Stage 5 have completed and submitted their Student Research Project this week. They are to be congratulated on their persistence and work ethic during this sometimes challenging process.

Year 11

Year 11 have earned a well-deserved break after completing their courses and end of year exams. They are encouraged to be prepared as their HSC courses will begin early next term. Hopefully they will develop settled work habits early and strive to achieve their best.

Year 12

Year 12 have now completed their course work and should be well into their revision schedules as they prepare for their upcoming exams. We wish them the best of luck and encourage them to seek teacher assistance and clarification when required.

Careers

Year 9

Year 9 have continued to work on their digital portfolios using Google Slides. They are producing a valuable document that will be helpful in the future.

Year 10

Year 10 had their ‘Mock Interviews’ last Wednesday the 19th of September. They looked fantastic in their interview-appropriate attire and from their evaluations conducted themselves brilliantly in the interview situation. They all must be congratulated on a fantastic effort. Interviews can be a daunting and nerve racking process. Many thanks must also be extended to the business houses that participated; Elders, Mitre 10, BR&C, Trend, Murray River Accounting, Canvas Coffee and Providore, IGA, Riley Paige, Shoosh, Barham Meats and Stanton Insurance. Without these supportive businesses our students would have missed out on an invaluable experience.

Year 11

Year 11 will have the opportunity to participate in Careers classes next term when an amended timetable kicks in. This will be the perfect opportunity for them to update their resumé and portfolio and start thinking about their post school destination.

Year 12

Year 12 should look to fine tune their VTAC and UAC selections and hopefully they make sure that they include ‘plan B’ courses in their selections. Students should also continue to apply for as many scholarships as possible. There is a big bucket of money that they can access if they are successful. On Tuesday 25th some Year 12 students wanting to study Education sat the **CaSper online** test as part of the course requirements for entry into certain institutions. The test took 90 minutes and all students did a great job to complete it.

Visual Arts

Year 7

Year 7 students should have submitted their portfolio for the 'Wild and Wolseley' unit this term. Students have completed a clay pinch pot with impressions of natural materials on it, a series of watercolour/mixed media works presented professionally on black paper and need to submit one of the Scientific Illustrations that they have done in class in the last few weeks. Thank you to the Science department who allowed us to borrow their animal specimen sets for the scientific illustrations - they are very impressive!

Year 8

Year 8 have been utilising different drawing techniques in order to practise how to draw hands in an anatomically correct manner. One of the strategies that we used was to draw the contours (shape) of their hands on gloves and concentrate on only drawing the outlines and main shapes. As an extension, students positioned their hands differently and tried to draw those, which proved to be much more challenging. I was impressed with their ability to try something new and the results were outstanding. I look forward to seeing their 'handscape' illustration take shape next term.

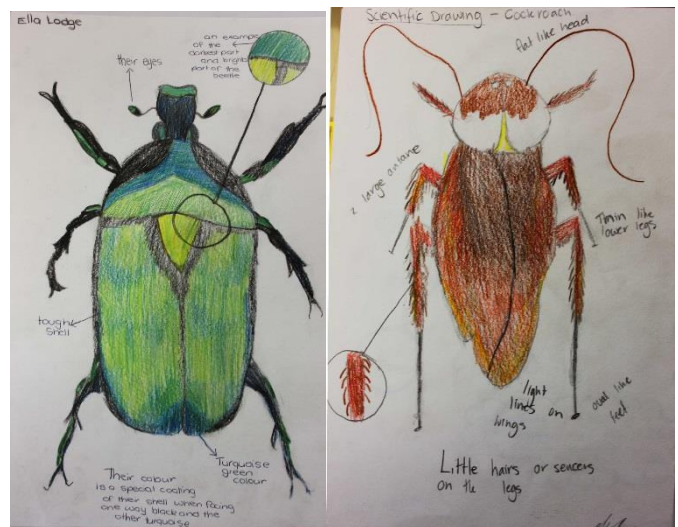
Stage 5 Visual Arts

This class has started work on their Up-cycling practical task. Students should be collecting the materials that they wish to make their works out of now and over the holidays. This assessment is open to any form including drawing, sculpture, painting, costume/jewellery design, photomedia as well as installation, just to name a few. Their only restrictions are weight, size and no dangerous/hazardous materials. Keep an eye out for their up-cycled coffee cup works that are going on display in Coffee, Canvas and Providore in the near future.

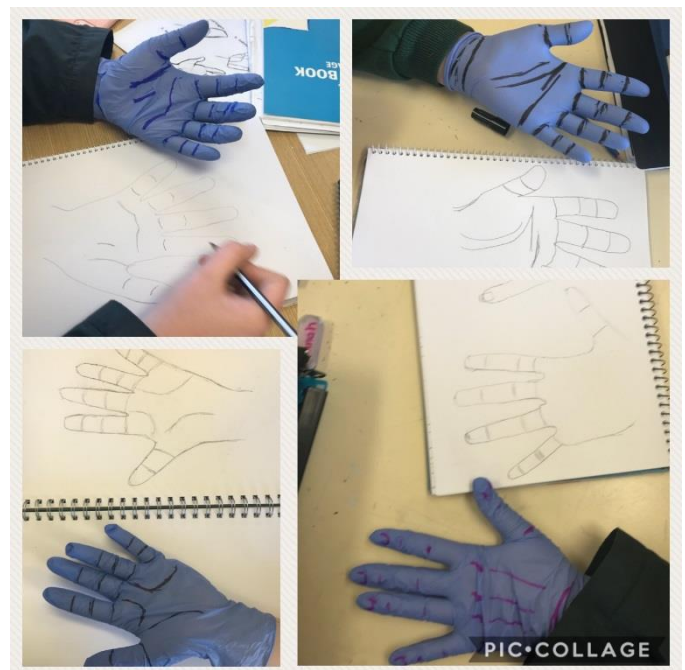
Stage 5 Photography

These students have been busily completing their 'Natural vs Architecture' unit. As part of their learning sequence, students created 'kaleidoscope' images that

required the use of Photoshop to layer, change the opacity levels, adjust hue/saturation and apply filters to photographs that were then copied and arranged as mirror images. Some of these have been included for your viewing pleasure.

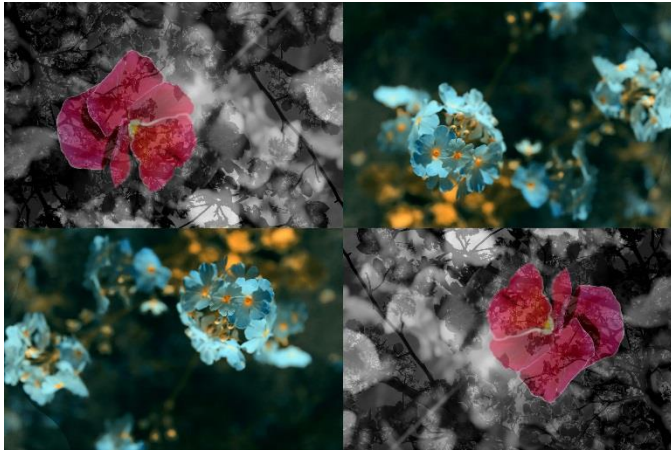


Scientific Illustrations by Elly Ryan & Ella Lodge Yr 7



SRC Report

SRC Fete



Amber King-Gee Kaleidoscopes (above and below)



On Friday 21st September, The SRC hosted an afternoon Fete. The Fete was to raise money for Chances for Children to give back to them for all the hard work they do supporting students from our school.

At our fete we sold lots of yummy food and had many games like who can stretch the longest snake, rip the longest Mintie wrapper, kick the longest kick with a football and many others. We sold tokens that students and teachers used as money to be able to enter in each game. The Fete was incredibly successful, with most of our food being snapped up and a large number of students getting involved and having a great time for a fantastic cause. We raised \$240 for Chances for Children which is a great effort for our small school.



Madi Eames Kaleidoscope

Barham High School

Diligence & Integrity



While we count everyone who got involved and had a go as a winner, the big winners on the day were:

Lily Molin who stretched the longest snake, even despite Ms Donnan's countless attempts to be Number 1.

Winner Winner chicken dinner, well done to Bonnie Martin, winning the Jelly Bean competition. With a correct guess of 229, she was hot on the money.

The Longest Kick winners were Kalani Scoullar for the Girls 7-9 category, Darcy Hausler in the Boys 7-9 category. A last-minute attempt saw Garry Lolicato take out the Boys 10-12 category and Miss Dennis, by default, always willing to have a go, took out the Girls 10-12 category (because you've got to be in it to win it).

Jack Lake proved to be the most accurate, getting the football in the bin, on his first try!

Mrs Farrant was the winner of the longest Mintie wrapper!

Well done to Ellie Disher, Maddy McGowan, Tatum Boyd, Holly Guerra, Felicity Macauley and Sam Cruse who correctly guessed the baby photos of the teachers! The gun basketballers proved to be Jade McMahon, Adam Peters, Lawson Kelly and Declan Jones.

A special mention to Hayden Sleep, Leonard McClay and Darcy Martin for being gun contributors to this great cause.

On behalf of the SRC we would like to thank everyone who contributed and participated in the Fete, from the teachers who brought in their baby photos to all the SRC who cooked some food and ran their stalls and all the students for participating! You've all out done yourselves once again!



Save the Date

BPS & BHS P&C Associations

invite you to a Community

Information Session on

'Cybersafety'

With Paul Ebsworth

(Police Liaison Officer)

Monday 29th Oct

@ Barham High School library

5.45pm for a 6pm start

Food and drinks provided

Please RSVP for catering purposes to:

Barham Public School (5453 2133) OR

Barham High School (54532322)



Education

Dear Year 8 Parent or Carer

The *Validation of Assessment for Learning & Individual Development* (VALID) test for Year 8 students will be held between **Monday 29 October** and **Friday 9 November 2018**. The test takes approximately 70 minutes. The **VALID Science 8** test is an interactive, multimedia test completed entirely on a computer.

VALID Science 8 contains multiple choice, short response and extended response tasks that are grouped around real-world issues, including scientific investigations. This is a diagnostic test, with tasks framed on Stage 4 outcomes and essential content in the *NSW Science Years K-10 Syllabus*. Students will be tested on their:

- knowledge and understanding of science
- understanding and skills in the process of scientific investigation
- ability to evaluate evidence, make judgements and think critically
- ability to access information and communicate scientific ideas.

Students also complete a survey about their opinions, attitudes and values about science and technology.

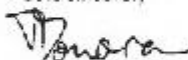
Since students complete **VALID Science & Technology 8** on a computer, each student needs to bring **headphones or earbuds** that plug into a school computer. Earbuds for an iPod or portable player are suitable.

If your child has a disability that needs special consideration or has been educated in English for less than one year, please contact your child's school to discuss special provisions or possible exemption from the test.

Results of the test will be available during Term 1 2019. Information about each student is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that the right to privacy of all students is maintained. A personal report for each student will be sent to parents/carers to describe the science knowledge and skills demonstrated by the student in the test. There will also be information about how your child's results compare with overall performance of all students in the test.

The principal of your child's school is able to provide you with more details about the VALID program if you require additional information.

Yours sincerely



Jenny Donovan

Executive Director, Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation
Department of Education



BARHAM-KOONDROOK JUNIOR CRICKET ASSOCIATION

**Calling new and old players for our
Under 16 cricket competition**

WHEN – Friday nights 4:30-7:30pm

WHERE – Games in both Barham & Koondrook

FORMAT – 20/20 games

CLUBS – Barham, Cubs, Murray & Koondrook

AGE – 9-15 years with both girls & boys most welcome

CONTACT – Tim 0418 377 924 or Shane 0429 168 517

Come along and enjoy a family atmosphere for kids starting their cricket career.

KERANG AMATEUR BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

Season will commence the week of 15th October 2018

Registrations are now open for Aussie Hoops, Juniors and Seniors

Please either visit our Facebook page; email
kerangbasketball@hotmail.com

or phone Maree Hunter on 0418 391 720 for further information.