**From the Principal…**

We enjoyed a wonderful Year 11 presentation evening to celebrate the success of our students. Our new student leaders chaired the event, the Senior Concert Band played and many parents attended.

Later the same week, many teachers celebrated the end of the HSC with our Year 12 students at their formal. What a wonderful occasion and how proud we are of our girls – looking forward to rejoicing their HSC achievements on 19 December (more photos on last page).

Some important events in the Hall for your calendar:

- 26 Nov  
  - Anne Beams Writers Awards, 7pm

- 28 Nov  
  - “A Little Night Music”, 7 pm – BEP concert – all welcome (see p.8)

- 7 Dec  
  - Year 7 Celebration of Learning, 11 am

- 10 Dec  
  - Year 7/8/9 Blue and Gold, 2 pm

- 12 Dec  
  - Junior Drama Showcase, 7 pm – parents welcome

- 14 Dec  
  - PRESENTATION DAY, 1 pm

Looking forward to seeing you there and many thanks for all your support.

*Mia Kumar*
YEAR 11/12
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A big thank you to all parents and students who attended this evening which helped us congratulate and encourage our students who, over the next 35 or so weeks, will complete a gruelling schedule of assessment tasks culminating in their formal HSC exams.

We are proud of all their achievements and we look forward to many successes as they head into their final year of high school. Remember to encourage your girls to remain healthy, organised and to keep everything balanced and in perspective.

Please remember that we are available to discuss with you any aspect that may concern your daughter’s progress and welfare.

Fiona Diakos, Year Adviser, Year 12 2013 and Thekla Christie, Assistant Year Adviser, Year 12 2013

PREFECT REPORT
Hello Everyone! Margot and Bella here!

We are the new prefects in charge of writing this little piece of heaven in the Event newsletter!

We’re happy to announce that the HSC for 2012 is officially over, may the countdown begin for the next students to take the HSC and let’s congratulate the girls for studying so hard these past two years. Six years of high school completed. Well done ladies!

This week the prefects will be interviewing the new Year 7 students for 2013. Let’s get ready to welcome them to our school and show them what Burwood Girls is all about.

In other news, the Burwood Old Girls will be paying us a lovely visit on 19 November and celebrate the times they used to have, here at Burwood Girls.

As a little reminder, here is a list of the new BGHS School Captains for 2013: Tara Lau, Rebecca Yan and Luisa Travan.

We hope you enjoy the last few weeks of school before the summer holidays! Lots of hugs, Bella and Margot.

Margot Alais and Bella Bradley, Year 11 Prefects

VISUAL ARTS

ART IN THE PARK
The students from Year 9 Photographic and Digital Media showcased their work in Burwood Park for the first ever Art in the Park. Students installed their animations, films, graphic design, interactive artworks, sculpture and soundscapes for the public to view and enjoy. Their works were well received by many passers-by and the students were outstanding in their ability to speak knowledgeably about how art is a vehicle for sustainable thinking. Well done girls, you were fantastic artists in training!

Amy Yongsiri

COCKATOO ISLAND FILM FESTIVAL
At 7.30am, a very sleepy bunch of Year 9 and Year 11 Photography students left school to attend the inaugural Cockatoo Island Film Festival on Wednesday 24 October. After almost missing the ferry, students received their red balloon from the Adobe workshops and they journeyed across the island to their various workshops.

They took part in a series of exciting and thought provoking workshops in filmmaking, editing and production to enhance their knowledge of filmmaking. Students were engaged in workshops ranging from
seminars about the casting and filming of the hit ABC show *Dance Academy* to previewing films from the Oovie schools project. These students are to be commended on their excellent behaviour, they were fantastic ambassadors for the school.

Amy Yongsiri

**COLOUR PHOTOGRAPHY**

Students from Year 10 Photographic and Digital Media went on a field study on Thursday November 1 to Blaxland Reserve, Sydney Olympic Park. They were on a mission to take the best colour photographs in a range of environments from the new playground to the industrial sheds and cranes. Despite the searing heat (33 degrees) the students were incredibly successful in their pursuit of the perfect colour photograph.

Brett Cheshire

**WHITE RIBBON DAY ARTWORK**

Three very talented Visual Arts students: Nicole Lee, Sieny Verellia and Amy Wan created artwork that was selected for Burwood Council’s competition for the International White Ribbon Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women. They attended a launch of their work along with students from other schools and enjoyed light refreshments in Burwood on Thursday 16 November.

Well done to these students and their commitment to ‘Not for Ourselves Alone’.

Amy Yongsiri, Creative Arts Faculty

Artworks L-R. Nicole Lee, Sieny Verellia, Amy Wan

**UNICEF SWEET STALL**

Our new Year 12 ESL English classes have had their first taste of “Living and Working in the Community”, in their English studies. They have donated sweets and time to run a UNICEF Sweet Stall to raise funds for children. Congratulations from Ms Campbell and Ms Raynor – the amount raised was $500.

Janice Raynor, English Faculty

**WEARABLE ART ON DISPLAY**

For the next three weeks Burwood Westfield will play host to the fabulous works of Miss Warren’s Year 10 Visual Design students. The girls have been working incredibly hard over the past few weeks to have their Wearable Artworks finished by their November 9
deadline. The works are being displayed in association with the School Spectacular and all have concepts based on the theme, “Our Time”. The girls had the extra challenge of having to make their works are all out of paper or recycled materials. Get down to Burwood Westfield to see the works, they are on Level 2 near Country Road. Well done girls!

Joanne Lee Jung of Year 12 Visual Arts has had her HSC Artwork nominated for consideration for ArtExpress. The work is an interactive video where the viewer controls the main character in the video through the use of the mouse. Fantastic achievement, Joanne. We wish Joanne every success with the final selection. Another of our Year 12 Visual Arts students, Yining Xia (pictured on right), has had her digital animation recognised. The animation was selected from 253 films submitted from across Australia for the Robin Anderson Film Award. Yining’s film was screened at the Dendy Cinema, Opera Quays on Tuesday evening, 13 November. Congratulations on your achievement, Yining.

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Michelle Kals, Head Teacher Creative Arts

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ANNE BEAMS WRITERS AWARDS
The annual Anne Beams Writers Awards will be held on November 26 in the school hall at 7pm. This awards ceremony celebrates Burwood Girls’ most talented writers and commemorates Anne Beams, former Head Teacher English. Nominations for the awards will be announced in the coming week.

Jenny Hardwick, Head Teacher English

KOREAN CULTURAL OFFICE EXCURSION
In order to learn more about Korean culture, Years 7C and 7W visited the Korean Cultural Office in the city. We were greeted by Kate whose Korean name is Minji, then we were introduced to some fascinating artworks by Korean artists. Some of them were quite strange, such as the video of the Korean and Japanese artists meeting together on the ocean in little row boats, to promote friendship and peace.

After viewing the art, we got involved in cultural activities ourselves. Firstly, we learnt a traditional Korean dance called “Ganggangsulae” (not Gangnam Style!), which was a bit tricky for some of us but it did help us get rid of our excess energy. Then we all tried on the Korean special costumes called Hanbok, which everybody wears on festivals such as New Year. As well, while dressed in our Hanbok, we learnt the traditional way of bowing, just like Korean people do when visiting their grandparents at New Year.

All of a sudden our lovely day’s outing to the city was over and we made our way back to school on the train. It was a very interesting day, and we now appreciate Korean culture a lot better after our experiences!

Students of 7C and 7W

TAS NEWS
It is hard to believe that another school year is almost coming to a close. 2012 has been an immensely successful year for the TAS Faculty. Many changes have been put into place in the various curriculum...
areas and we look forward to developing these further next year.

YEARS 7 & 8 – TECHNOLOGY
The students are on to their last rotation and have demonstrated great interest and outstanding results in the new units of work being taught.

We look forward to celebrating with Year 7 their great achievements at the "Celebration of Learning" Day in December. Many posters are up around the school displaying their fabulous end products.

YEAR 8 – TECHNOLOGY
Cookies Galore! During the end of Term 3 the Year 8 Food Technology students decorated biscuits and cupcakes during class time. They made sugar cookies as they are the best type for decorating. They used Royal Icing, a sugar paste, then coloured icing to make interesting designs. Using a piping bag (prepared in the kitchens at BGHS) they also decorated cupcakes using a soft icing. The students had a great time experimenting with colours, icings and frostings. They acquired new skills using a variety of nozzles and tackling a piping bag. Every student participated and wrote a newspaper article as a summary of the lesson.

Vanilla Shortbreads

Ingredients:
- 170 g plain flour
- 55 g cornflour
- 55 g icing sugar
- 220 g butter
- Vanilla essence, Jam, Chocolate (melted)

Method:
1. Preheat oven to 170-180°C.
2. Cream the butter and sugar. Add a few drops of vanilla and beat until fluffy.
3. Mix in the flour and allow to rest for a few minutes.
4. Fill a piping bag fitted with a small star nozzle and pipe into star or tube shapes.
5. Bake for 15-20 minutes or until pale golden and becoming firm.
6. Allow to cool for a few minutes on the tray, then transfer to a cooling rack.
7. When completely cool, sandwich together with jam and dip one half in melted chocolate.

YEAR 10 – FOOD TECHNOLOGY
This semester Year 10 students have been busy working on student-centred activities. In groups they developed and presented their own lesson to the class. Each group was given a group within society to research and to provide information about their specific nutritional needs and requirements. The groups studied included: pregnant and lactating women, infancy and childhood, adolescence, adulthood, aged.

This involved numerous lessons that included individual work, teamwork, cooperation and commitment. Each group designed a booklet that contained information about their group as well as effective teaching aids and activities. They also chose a suitable recipe which they demonstrated to the class. This allowed the girls to develop their leadership skills and reinforce knowledge and other technical applications acquired through prior learning experiences.

I would like to congratulate all students on their efforts and enthusiasm directed towards this program. The work that was developed was of a high standard and I am very proud of their work. Well done girls!

YEAR 11 TEXTILE AND DESIGN
Year 11 T&D have had their first meeting regarding the Major Textiles Project. Thank you to all the parents and students attending – the evening was a great success.

I am looking forward to what these students will be creating for their HSC. Some fabulous ideas have been brought to the forefront.

FIELD STUDIES
We have some terrific field studies coming up later this term and the students are looking forward to being inspired by these experiences.
- TAFE – Ultimo Campus Fashion Parade of the Graduands’ Work.
- Video Conferencing MTP.
- Whitehouse Institute of Design Fashion Parade.
- Seafolly – first-hand look at how this Australian owned company operates.
Michael Watson – Chef. Sharing his professional knowledge and skills.

2013 AND BEYOND
Next year will be another exciting year for TAS as we have some new courses starting and know that the students will really enjoy them.

Year 9/10 Child Studies
Although this has been taught here since 2006 and students have enjoyed studying it, the Board of Studies has now released a new syllabus and we look forward to the implementation of it.

Year 11 Hospitality
From 2013, we will be offering Food and Beverage – ‘Café Skills’. This is very exciting although there will be some challenges along the way. In Term 1 there will be a Café starting for staff and senior students.

SUBJECT FEES
There are still some subject fees outstanding as these are for consumables used by the students it would be appreciated if accounts could be finalised before the end of the school year. Do not hesitate to contact Rosemary Patonay if you have any queries.

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of myself and the TAS staff to thank you all for your support. We look forward to working together with students and parents in 2013.

Merry Christmas & a Happy & Safe Holiday to all!
Rosemary Patonay, Head Teacher TAS

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BEP NEWS
This has been a very busy period for the BEP ensembles.

SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE PERFORMANCE
Special mention should go to the augmented Senior Concert Band who with their conductor Daniel Murphy played so stunningly well at the Sydney Region Music Festival at the Sydney Opera House on the evening of 20 September.

CEREMONIAL CONTRIBUTIONS
The Brass ensemble under the guidance of Elina Suuronen played beautifully at the War Graves Remembrance Day ceremony with Ana Moraitakos distinguishing herself for her first “Last Post” and the singers India Beswick and Cristina Travan singing the hymns beautifully. The following week Remy Keldoulis received a medal and much affirmation from the Ashfield RSL for her atmospheric “Last Post” and India and Cristina again sang so well for the ceremony. Last term Julia Frolov and Katerina Frolov sang beautifully for the Sandakan Ceremony. The singers are guided by their wonderful teacher Patricia Amphlett. These ceremonial roles are indicative of the girls’ commitment to their community and the esteem within which they are held by their broader community. Congratulations.

RAFFLE
We have a wonderful fundraising raffle going at the moment. Please find your nearest BEP member to purchase a handful of $2 tickets. Prizes include a pod coffee machine and pods, Splendor Perfume, a cocktail making hamper, cookbooks and more. There are prizes for the girl and the band who sell the most tickets.

REMAINING EVENTS FOR THE BEP YEAR:
Sun 18 Nov (all day) TCB, ICB, SCB
Inner West Ensemble Festival
Wed 28 Nov (7pm) All ensembles
A Little Night Music (see last page)
Wed 5 Dec (morning) SCB
Year 7 2013 Orientation + Meet the Music
Wed 5 Dec TCB Last rehearsal
Thur 6 Dec SCB Last rehearsal
Mon 10 Dec (afternoon) SCB
Blue and Gold Assembly
Wed 12 December ICB Last rehearsal
Wed 12 Dec (all day) TCB, ICB, SCB
Auditions Brass, Percussion, Bass
Thur 13 Dec (all day) TCB, ICB, SCB
Auditions Woodwind, Percussion, Bass
Frid 14 Dec (afternoon) ICB
Presentation Day

2013
Sat 26 Jan SCB Brass
Australia Day Burwood Council Citizenship
Mon 28 Jan (all day) TCB, ICB, SCB
Beginning of Year workshops
Diana Springford, Director BEP

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SPORTS REPORT

U15s KNOCKOUT NETBALL
On Wednesday 7 November, the U15s Knockout Netball team travelled with Ms Burkitt and Ms Moore to Lake Haven to play Northlakes High School. Great team work and training effort was rewarded with a 78-10 victory! We eagerly await our next big challenge in playing Tuggarah Lakes Secondary College this month. Many thanks to team manager Lara Bates and umpire Georgia Valis.

Team includes:
Alisa Berberovic, Natalie Davies, Hannah Hawkes, Rika Kelso, Riley Michelmore, Gabriella Oehlmann, Amy O’Reilly, Claire Valis, Amelia van Leeuwen, Lucy Ward-Gemmell.

Sandra Moore, Coach
OLYMPIC COMMITTEE AWARD TO LILY NORTH
Congratulations to Lily North, Year 12 2012, pictured being presented with a 2012 Pierre de Coubertin Award at the NSW State Presentation that was held on Monday 10 September at Sydney Olympic Park.

CAREERS
Dear Parents & Students,
I am the new Careers Adviser at the school, starting late in Term 3 replacing Mr Floriani, who has been an excellent help for me settling in, and I am pleased to follow in his footsteps at this very fine school.

I received a tremendous welcome from Mrs Kumar, the Executive, and the Teaching and Support staff. I already sense a great school spirit amongst the students and staff.

I have had about seven years’ experience in Public Schools as a Careers Adviser. Prior to teaching I have worked at TAFE as well as both private and government training organisations for about 15 years. I have great interest and knowledge in and of the university sector and professional career planning. I have also had considerable experience in career transition programs for students not well engaged at school.

I will be working closely with the senior school Deputy Principal Ms. Longman, the Head Teacher for Senior Studies, Mr. Morrison, the Counsellor, and Year 12 Adviser, to guide and help establish all senior students on a career pathway that meets their aspirations.

Working with Ms Jamieson I will continue Mr Floriani’s good work with the Year 9 School-to-Work program.

For the Year 12 of 2013 the Careers program will be substantive and critical for their post-school academic and vocational path.

All Year 12 students will be formally individually interviewed by me in 2013. I will supply more details regarding interviewing, as well as the comprehensive 2013 Careers Program in the first Event newsletter next year.

Students in their final year can, if they wish, now undertake the Career Voyage vocational guidance test. This pc-based questionnaire provides students with a list of jobs (that suit their preferences, skills and attributes) based on an assessment of their answers to a series of questions. Students can do this test at home or at school. The results are printed in a detailed report for students and parents to consider. To be clear, this test is neither part of the school assessment nor compulsory. It is advisable to do it if a student is uncertain of their career pathway. I will explain and issue an instruction sheet, on how to proceed with Career Voyage.

All Year 10 students will undertake the Career Voyage program in 2013 (see above) as it is a most beneficial tool for Year 11-12 subject selection as well as illuminating post-school career pathways.

All senior students (Years 10, 11, 12) are welcome to come and see me for any careers advice anytime, without appointment. Parents are always welcome to contact me for an interview. I will focus more on Year 9 and Year 11 Careers in the next Event edition.

Students enrolling in TAFE-VET (TVET) in 2013 will be informed at the end year as to procedures.

I would advise students in the senior school that I email students’ DEC accounts to communicate a lot of information. So students need to check it regularly.

I look forward to the pleasure of working with you all for our school community in 2013.

Mr. John Hegedus, Careers Adviser

P&C AGM, WEDNESDAY 21 NOVEMBER – 6 PM
NOTE CHANGE OF TIME: The next P&C is the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 21 November in the school library, 6:00 pm for drinks and light refreshments. The meeting will start around 6:30 pm. If you have been considering becoming more involved in your school community, please come along as we will be voting on executive positions for the 2013 P&C. We look forward to seeing you.

Thank you to Michelle Kals, Head Teacher Creative Arts, who gave an excellent presentation at the meeting in October (pictured).

P&C UNIFORM SHOP
Blazers – don’t forget the student blazer for Yrs.7-12 is a special price until the end of Term 4 ($145). Come on down and try one on!

Senior Skirts etc are now being sold to all Year 10 and be worn in Term 4.

The Uniform Shop’s days and hours each week:
- Tuesday, 8:30 am – 1:00 pm
- Thursday, 1:10 pm – 2:30 pm

Alice Magoffin, P&C President
Students may only visit the Uniform Shop before school, recess & lunchtime during opening hours.

Parents may visit any time during opening hours.

Any enquiries, please call the school on 9747 3355.

Elaine Browne, Manager, P&C Uniform Shop

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NOTES FROM THE FRONT OFFICE

DRIVING SAFETY

We have had some very close calls in both our top and bottom staff car parks over recent weeks.

Parents – please do not drive into either car park to drop off or pick up your daughter between 8am and 4pm. It is very dangerous, especially in the bottom car park as staff do not expect cars to be exiting in the morning or stopping to let people out. Please assist in keeping our staff and students safe.

NOTES TO SCHOOL

Parents – please put student’s full name and year on all correspondence, eg absence notes. This is especially important when the student’s family name is different to the parent/carer signing the note.

START OF TERM 1 FOR 2013

Tuesday 29 January: School Development Day (staff only)
Wednesday 30 January: Yrs.7/11/12 commence
Thursday 31 January: Yrs.8/9/10 commence

NEED NEW SCHOOL SHOES?

If parents are contemplating buying new school shoes please refer to the school’s Uniform Policy (available on our website) to ensure you buy the correct type of shoes (leather, fully enclosed, lace-up, black school shoes).

PAYMENTS: Students/parents will not be able to make payments at the front office from 23 November to 30 November (inclusive), or on the last day of term (19 December).

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FAREWELL FROM MS MAK TO YEAR 12, 2012...

Year 12 have now signed out and have completed their HSC. Congratulations, girls; this is such a tremendous achievement.

Year 12 Formal commemorated this final milestone in Year 12’s academic studies, and Doltone House provided a wonderful venue. Huge thanks to the organising committee, and to Danielle and Wendy in particular.

Ynping Mak, Year 12 Year Adviser 2012

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Special Invitation to all Parents & Friends to come along and enjoy

A LITTLE NIGHT MUSIC

Presented by BURWOOD GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

Wednesday 28 November 2012
School Hall
7:00 pm

Tickets: $10 Adult, Student/Child – free entry.

Tickets from BEP Office or at the door.
A selection of light refreshments available at interval.
Parking available in Cheltenham Road.

Event is also available on our website:
http://web3.burwoodg-h.schools.nsw.edu.au