TERM 4
(Subject to change – see School Calendar)

NOV
• Yr.6 Family Interviews all this week
• Yr.10 Sun Group at Uluru to 17 Nov
• Year Group SRC Meetings
• Yr.10 UTS STEAMpunk excursion
• Yr.7 STEM competition
• Yr.10 Moon Group at Uluru to 20 Nov
• Yr.11 Recognition Assembly 11:50am
• P&C final meeting of 2016, 7pm in Library. NB: AGM and election of office bearers to be held in 2017.

17
• Yr.9 Camp at Morisset (2 days)
• Yr.7 Vaccinations (HPV)
• Yr.10 Dance at Burwood PS
• Student reps at Global Empathy Day
• BEP SCB to Kmart Tree Launch
• Yr.10 ‘Expect Respect’ workshop, 1:30-3pm with Homebush BHS
• Last day for ONLINE payments

18
• Yr.9 Camp
• BEP Jnr & Snr Strings to Wollongong
• Yr.8 Poetry Slam competition
• No payments until 5 December

21
• ASSEMBLY
• Student Leadership Team Meeting

22
• Yr.9 Commerce Z “Taco Tuesday” stall at recess

24
• Yr.9 Dance at Croydon PS
• Yr.9 Commerce Y “Crepes” stall at lunchtime

25
• Yrs.9-11 Japanese Film Festival
• All Yr.8 attended Schools Spectacular
• All Yr.10 in hall for finance incursion
• White Ribbon Day Launch, Burwood
• Prefects Meeting, lunchtime
• Schools Spectacular at 6pm, Qudos Bank Arena, Olympic Park

26
• Schools Spectacular performances

28
• Ultimate Frisbee Development Day
• Year Group SRC Meetings, lunch
• Drama Showcase, 7pm

29
• Yr.7 Celebration of Learning – parents welcome
• BEP’s “A Little (Christmas) Night Music” concert, 7pm – all welcome

DEC
• Yr.10 Dance at Burwood PS

2
• Library party for 100 points readers

5
• Payments window re-opens after financial rollover
• BEP Jnr group to St Ezekial
• BEP Jnr Strings to Clover Lea
• ASSEMBLY
• Student Leadership Team Meeting

6
• Yr.6 Orientation Day, 9am-2:45pm
• Last day for Uniform Shop

7
• Yr.10 Film Festival

14
• Presentation Day, 1pm

15
• Yr.10 Formal
• HSC Results released

P&C MEETINGS, 7:00 pm, Library
16 November (final meeting for 2016)

From the Principal...
Planning has already begun for 2017. Students have selected their electives, timetables are being prepared, Year 11 have begun their HSC program, we have farewelled Year 12 students, welcomed Year 6 and students in all years continue to excel in so many different ways.

There are some changes to share: Ms O’Brien has taken long service leave for the rest of the year; Ms Yong siri has taken maternity leave and the Uniform Shop will close on 6 December (Orientation Day for Year 7, 2017). There are some improvements too: the canteen will have a new menu for 2017; the P&C has organised ventilation for the hall, signage for our school bus as well as playground improvements.

The SRC continues to make a difference to the wellbeing of others within our community as well as in other countries. I am proud of the connection and achievements of our SRC and school community.
New display in canteen  School bus with new signage  Year 12 Formal  Joanne Yan, Year 9, awarded High Distinction (top 3%) in Australian Mathematics Competition

**ENGLISH AND DRAMA NEWS**

There are still fantastic opportunities available for students in 2016. **Year 8** will be participating in a *Poetry Slam on Friday 18 November* which will be adjudicated and we are very excited that it will be hosted by Australian Poetry Slam champion, Troy Wong. Students are currently writing their own performance poems on the concept of ‘belonging’ and brave students will perform these in front of their year.

**Year 10** are currently producing their short films for our annual ‘Epic Shorts Festival’ on Wednesday 7 December at 10am. Families are warmly invited to attend this red carpet event. At this festival, winners of the BGHS Reading Challenge, the brainchild of Ms Sander Burns, our new Teacher Librarian, will be announced. Finalists of the Reading Challenge will gather in the library for a complimentary Pizza Party Lunch on Friday 2 December, prior to the Film Festival.

A group of **Year 8 and 9 students** from BGHS attended a creative writing workshop at the Redfern based *Sydney Story Factory* in the Martian Embassy. The creative writing and storytelling workshop was spread over two Wednesdays and targeted young people from all over New South Wales. The students have individual tutorship with experienced volunteers, coordinated by the fascinating academic Tony Britten, who help them develop skills in writing short stories and poetry.

Mr Dodshon chaperoned the group to Redfern by train where they had a quick morning tea in the park before commencing the workshop. Exhausted after all the creativity; students stopped off at Burwood Westfield for well-deserved refreshments, before returning to school.

Thanks to **Elyna Lin** for providing this article - she would love to add that the group highly recommend this experience to other students. One hundred students from all over NSW will have their creative writing pieces selected to be published. Fingers crossed!

**Drama students** attended *The Journeys End* at the Australian Theatre for Young People. After this exciting show, the students developed their play-building skills in a workshop with industry professionals. Drama students also participated in the unique performance of *Wasted*, a work of Forum theatre by Milkcrate Theatre Company. Forum theatre addresses social issues by role-playing scenes and changing the outcomes for characters in the drama. Our students were brave enough to contribute on stage to the performances, offering valuable solutions to the social issues being addressed.
On Wednesday 19 October, 12 HSC Drama students visited the Seymour Centre to see a theatrical performance of *Antigone*, an HSC Drama text. The experiential learning through a live performance of this text allowed the students to develop their understanding of the play as well supporting them in the development of their own theatrical work. The girls thoroughly enjoyed the performance and the opportunity to have a night out and experience live theatre.

On Thursday 27 October, our Junior Theatresports team along with their Year 10 coaches competed in the *Impro Australia Theatresports School Challenge* at Presbyterian Ladies College in Croydon. The girls were one of 9 teams competing in their heat and performed to a high standard. We are very proud of the girls’ performance at the competition and their commitment and dedication to Drama. The girls move through to the semi-finals and will compete on Thursday 10 November. We wish them the best of luck.

We would like to say a very special thank you to their Year 10 coaches, Amal Dib, Phillipa Morey and Bonnie FitzGerald who have given up their own time to work with the Year 7 and 8 Drama students in developing their drama skills. A huge thank you to our dedicated and inspiring Drama teachers Zoe Smith and Renee Lyndsay for facilitating these worthwhile experiences.

*Pauline Hageman, Head Teacher English and Drama*

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**Report by Julia Wang, Year 11**

Friday, 28 October was a significant day known as Bandanna Day. The students and teachers in Burwood Girls High School took part in this activity to support CanTeen which is the national support organization for young people, aged 12-24, living with cancer, including cancer patients, their family and friends. On that day, the students from Year 11 ESL classes in Burwood Girls High School sold and wore bandannas with their teachers to raise money and show our support for CanTeen.

Created back in 1985, CanTeen helps young cancer patients rebuild their faith in life. National Bandanna Day is CanTeen’s largest fundraising event and they aimed to raise $1.25 million to support young people fighting cancer. Every year, another 23000 young people, 63 a day, have to deal with the challenge of cancer. So, for these young people, bandannas play a significant role as a symbol of hope and empowerment. People who are affected by cancer will learn to explore and deal with their feelings about cancer, and connect with other young people in the same boat.

The students from the Year 11 ESL course designed their own poster under the guidance of teachers and posted
these around the school to promote Bandanna Day, as part of their unit on Living and Working in the Community. This informed other people about the significance of the bandanna and the CanTeen charity. The students also wrote and presented a persuasive speech in their own class to practice promoting an event like Bandanna Day. This was all preparatory work. On that day, all the students in the three classes were divided into groups and went to different classes to sell the bandannas. Almost every person in Burwood Girls High School wore a bandanna in various styles to show their concern for CanTeen.

Bandanna Day left a deep impression on everybody especially the students who participated in this activity. This was an awesome activity because it provided the students with a chance to be involved in social activity and learn how to become persuasive. We learnt how to be socially active and increase our confidence in speaking in front of a class. We also made a meaningful contribution to supporting our peers who are coping with cancer. We raised $1,245 and every dollar makes a difference to the lives of young cancer patients.

HSIE NEWS

GLOBAL GOALS YOUTH FORUM

Report by Hannah Tran, Olivia Taylor, Ishveen Kaur and Harine Somasundaram

Olivia
On Friday, 21st of October, Hannah, Harine, Ishveen and I, along with four other girls, had the amazing opportunity to attend the UN Global Goals Youth Conference at Nan Tien Temple, in Wollongong. The United Nations is an international organization founded in 1945. It is currently made up of 193 Member States and the UN Charter sets out four main purposes: Maintaining worldwide peace and security; Developing relations among nations; Fostering cooperation between nations in order to solve economic, social, cultural, or humanitarian international problems.

Ishveen
In September 2015, 193 world leaders agreed to 17 Global Goals for Sustainable Development. If these Goals are completed, it would mean an end to extreme poverty, inequality and climate change by 2030. Together with more than five public and private schools, we got to listen to inspiring experts about how they made a green sustainable impact on the world we’re living in and we grouped up with other school students to brainstorm and come up with how we can make our own green sustainable impact.

Harine
It was very interesting listening to other groups’ brilliant ideas and we know that all those ideas can be achieved by anyone, regardless of your age, race, or location. The ideas, creativity and knowledge developed throughout the
day can influence and make a difference for each of the global issues. As a whole we developed our leadership skills, our confidence to speak in front a large group of students plus teachers and also enhance our collaboration skills.

Hannah

We would like to thank all the teachers that got us involved in this event. Going to the conference is an unforgettable experience and we hope to raise awareness within Burwood Girls about the Global Goals and make our school a more environmentally friendly place, along with helping people who are less fortunate than us all over the world.

Sorcha Kyriacou, Hai (Hannah) Tran, Harine Somasundaram, Alexa Swientek, Olivia Taylor, Mehak Bokhari, Ishveen Kaur and Lauren Marsh.

**BGHS CELEBRATES DIWALI!**

Diwali, the festival of lights, is a really significant festival for many people all around the world. It is celebrated in October or November by Hindus, Sikhs and Jains and it symbolises the triumph of light over darkness and good over evil. Traditionally, families and friends feast on special food, and houses are decorated with candles and colourful lights. In Week 4, Burwood GHS celebrated our first ever Diwali Festival and it was a great success. The area outside the clayrooms was flashing with coloured lights all through lunch and a team of Year 9 girls from the International Studies class, and some of their friends, served delicious Indian food.

Congratulations to all the girls who worked tirelessly to make this such a great occasion. The day was not designed to be a fundraiser however some profits from the sale of food and candles will go to our school’s ‘Hands Across the Ocean’ charity, i-India. This project is based in Jaipur in Rajasthan and provides basic education and workplace training for disadvantaged children and women. We look forward to many more Diwali celebrations in the future!

Patrice Simpson, Head Teacher HSIE

Thank you also to parents who made valuable contributions to our first Diwali celebration

**AUSTRALIA-ASEAN BRIDGE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP PROJECT**

BGHS is now one of 15 schools around Australia who have embarked on an internationally acclaimed project that aims to foster greater ties between Australia and ASEAN countries. BRIDGE is a teacher professional learning program that builds teachers’ Asia capability through school partnerships to improve intercultural understanding, to enhance technology skills and to establish sustainable school partnerships and a community of learners. In the last school holidays, Mr Kingston Roser spent a week teaching at our sister school in Hanoi in Vietnam and returned with lots of wonderful ideas on how to strengthen the relationship between the two schools.
Thang Long Junior Secondary School, Hanoi, Vietnam

Mr Roser with Geography Class

And English Class

And visit by Australian Ambassador

YEAR 9 JUST JOURNALISM - MOSAIC MENTORING

The students performed exceptionally well at the Mosaic Mentoring Expo at the UNSW. The projects presented by the students are listed below:

War and conflict – Zara, Joyce - digital story book
Climate change – Lauren, Ella, Ella - speech and poster
Rights of ethnic minorities – Elyna, Mehak - video
Imperialism – Lilien, Anita, Jasmin - speech and artwork

Back Row: Lilien Valov, Ella Hailey, Ella Bicego, Lauren Marsh, Anita Santillana, Joyce Li
Front Row: Mr Dutton, Elyna Lin, Jasmine Kbar, Mehak Bokhari, Zara Kreutzer

CREATIVE ARTS NEWS

FIVE ARTEXPRESS NOMINATIONS FOR YEAR 12 VISUAL ARTS STUDENTS

We have just received the wonderful news that five of our Year 12 Visual Arts students have been nominated for consideration for the ArtExpress exhibition. The students are Selena Zhang, Lydia Schulze, Joosun Lee, Angelique Kyriazis and Tanya Singh Virk Chen.
ArtExpress showcases the very best of the HSC art works each year and is shown at various venues including the Art Gallery of NSW, The Armoury at Newington as well as regional galleries. With over 9000 students’ artworks submitted, less than 300 works are selected for the final exhibition. To gain a nomination is a fabulous achievement. We wish all our nominees success in gaining final selection. Congratulations to our students and their dedicated and supportive teachers, Ms Yongsiri and Ms Warren.

*Michelle Kals, Head Teacher Creative Arts*

**YEAR 11 STUDENT EXHIBITING AT THE NATIONAL ART SCHOOL**

Mikhala Pabustan, of Year 11 2016, was selected earlier this year to undertake the prestigious HSC Extension Course in Visual Arts at the National Art School. Students are selected from across the state and competition is strong, so places are highly sought after and difficult to gain. Mikhala was selected for her work in digital photography and over two weeks of her July and September vacation, she attended tutorials and workshops to further develop her skills.

Not only did Mikhala have the opportunity to hone her skills in a tertiary environment, but also to work with tutors and students who share her passion for photography. Mikhala’s digital photography was shown in the exhibition that was the culmination of the course. Congratulations Mikhala, on your fine achievement.

**DUKE OF EDINBURGH’S AWARD**

**BRONZE WALK**

On Thursday 3 November the intrepid Year 9 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh participants took off into the wild with teachers Kate Stavert and Henry Wijanto. The demanding hike from Otford took them down from the amazing vistas of the Coast Track through palm forests to the beautiful campsite at North Era, where they set up their tents and relaxed at the beach. The next day, some keen students watched the sun rise over the ocean before setting off up the imposing Burgh Ridge. Lunch took place overlooking the Hacking River and the hike ended with a last push to Helensburgh where the weary wanderers caught the train back to civilization.

The Duke of Edinburgh program is an excellent opportunity for students to face challenges, develop teamwork and connect to the natural environment.

*Kate Stavert, English Faculty*
**LEADERSHIP NEWS**

**A MESSAGE FROM THE 2017 CAPTAINS**

As the new school captains of Burwood Girls High School we are both extremely proud and excited to represent the entire school community. We are very enthusiastic for the year ahead and to carry on the proud tradition of being a Burwood Girl. We have decided to do this by implementing a theme throughout the next year that we believe encompasses everything that we as captains stand for, and that theme is ‘improve and inspire.’

Leaders are marked by their ability to empower and inspire those around them, and our objective is to empower the entire school community through this theme. We would also like to acknowledge the entire prefect body. Already this term the prefects have put so much effort in and have put together an amazing day to celebrate both World Teachers’ Day and Halloween. We would like to thank everyone for their continuous efforts and congratulate all new prefects.

As prefects we aim to lift the moral spirit of the school for both students and teachers and hope we can do all that we can to make this year the best it can. As part of our ‘improve and inspire’ theme, we have decided that we will be reciting a quote for each assembly as part of our report. This quote will come from one of the influential women framed in our hall, with the aim being to inspire the entire student body at Burwood Girls to achieve their fullest potential.

We are delighted and honored to be the school captains for 2017, and are looking forward to working with the student body to improve and uplift the school.

*Nadia Homen, Hannah Leahy Gatfield and Victoria Lekkas*

**“FAMILY FEUDING” BETWEEN TEACHERS AND STUDENTS**

On Monday 8 November, the teachers and students came together for another memorable Staff vs Students game, this time promoting and celebrating the ‘Do it in a Dress’ initiative. ‘Do it in a Dress’ Day focuses on raising awareness and support for girls around the world without an education. The Prefects firmly believe in this ethos and wanted to get behind it as much as possible. Lolly bags and popcorn were sold, and all the money went towards the campaign.

The game was highly successful with Imogen Gainsford hosting the event and controlling the enthusiasm from both teams. It was a close competition, however the teachers emerged triumphant and took the spoils! Overall, the event was a huge success and the students who came to watch had a brilliant time and thoroughly enjoyed seeing the teachers on stage participating and wearing dresses! A big thank you to all the prefects who were a part of the organisation and running of the event.

_Hannah Tran, BGHS Prefect_

**DANCE NEWS**

**DANCE ZONE PRODUCTIONS PERFORMANCE**

On Saturday November 5, our Hip Hop Crew and Acrobatics Ensemble performed as part of the DZP (Dance Zone Productions) annual concert at the Seymour Centre. Both groups were fabulously with their performances and received notable mentions from the concert organisers. They were also highly regarded for their exceptional behaviour and professionalism throughout the technical rehearsals.

Two students were individually recognised for their outstanding work throughout the year: Akua Franklin (Year 11) from Hip Hop and Emi Davies Barnier (Year 7) from Acrobatics. This is a truly fantastic achievement and I’d like to publicly congratulate these students once more.

_Melissa Caltabiano, Head Teacher PDHPE/Dance_
**HSC DANCE “CALLBACK”**

Congratulations to Jana-Maree Konstantakopoulos who has been nominated for CallBack.

This is a very prestigious event that recognizes the achievements of students during their HSC Dance exams. Very few students are selected for this event and Jana-Maree is the first one ever to be nominated from Burwood Girls. Congratulations Jana-Maree.

**DANCE EXCURSION “UNTAMED”**

Students from Years 7-11 were lucky enough to go to Sydney Theatre and watch two of the latest works from Sydney Dance Company in their performance “Untamed”. This was a spectacular show, with strong, athletic and technically exceptional dancers. The performance highlighted the power of choreography and inspired our senior students to move away from using traditional/known dance movement and experiment with new and interesting ways to move the human body as they prepare their Core and Major Study projects for the HSC. The matinee performance also allowed for our students to interact with both the choreographers, artistic director of the company and some of the dancers, asking questions about the work, their daily schedules and choreography.

Melissa Caltabiano, Head Teacher PDHPE/Dance

**PRIMARY SCHOOL DANCE WORKSHOPS**

Year 9 and 10 Dance Elective classes are currently participating in dance workshops at Burwood Public School and Croydon Park Public School. Students are attending fortnightly classes and working with Years 1, 3 and 5 students creating a performance for their annual celebrations. The girls are working extremely hard in class developing exciting activities and choreography and will continue this until Week 8. We hope to continue this collaborative experience into the future and show the community how amazing Burwood Girls are!!

Carly Walsh, Dance Teacher/PDHPE Faculty

**SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR “DREAM BIG”**

Burwood Girls High School has once again demonstrated our exceptional talent and skill with 15 of our talented dancers being selected to perform in the 2016 Schools Spectacular Performance at Qudos Bank Arena in Sydney Olympic Park, Homebush. The girls commenced rehearsals in Week 3 and will be continuing until performances in Week 7. We would like to wish the girls all the best in their preparations and congratulate them on being absolute stars!

Carly Walsh, Dance Teacher/PDHPE Faculty

**YEAR 9 CAMP**

Year 9 Camp is just around the corner! Next Thursday and Friday, our students will enjoy the two-day camp at Morisset’s Outdoor Education facility. In preparing for this camp, please ensure you check the packing list and ensure your daughter’s luggage is limited to one, small to medium sized bag. It could be very hot, so hats and water bottles are an absolute must. If there are any last minute questions or inquiries, please don’t hesitate to contact me.

Melissa Caltabiano, Head Teacher PDHPE/Dance

**AIME YEAR 7 & 8 DAY**

Recently we visited Sydney University, to meet our mentors and other AIME students. AIME is there to
support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders through the high school journey.

First we had an Aboriginal trivia game (we joined other schools) in which we won and were given AIME hats. After a quick recess we went in for our next task - to build a water bottle rocket. It was awesome to see how high they went. Our last task was to choreograph a dance, either traditional or not. We did a mix using Aboriginal moves to the Harlem Shake. Overall, it was a great day and we are looking forward to sessions later on next year.

Report by Alyssa Broughton & Sienna Broughton, Year 7 and May Corish, Year 8

MATHEMATICS NEWS

AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITION

Results are now available for the 38th annual Australian Mathematics Competition (AMC). Hundreds of thousands of primary and secondary students from around 30 countries sat the AMC on Thursday 28 July 2016. The AMC is a highly respected competition and tests everything from basic numeracy skills to advanced problem solving.

Burwood Girls High School entered 58 students in this competition and achieved excellent results with 98% of our girls achieving a Proficiency Certificate or above. The following 14 students were able to achieve a Distinction Certificate. This represents a mark in the top 20% of all results.

Distinction Certificate Winners (Year)

SOPHIA WANG (8)
SHIMA DASTHEKKETHIL (8)
CHERIE PEPPERELL (8)
SELENA MIFSUD (8)
ERIKA LEHMANN (8)
MELODY ZHANG (8)
CATHERINE WAN (9)
NATALIE WANG (10)
JOEY YUNG (11)
HANBING JI (11)
JIAQI CAI (12)
JUNE SUN (12)
XUEYING LIANG (12)

Special mention needs to be made of the school’s best performer, Joanne Yan (9). She achieved a High Distinction Certificate, which puts her in the top 3% of all entries.

High Distinction Certificate Winner

JOANNE YAN (9)

Previous Puzzler - The Seven Bridges of Königsberg

This is a very famous mathematical puzzle, solved by the mathematician Leonhard Euler. He proved that it is impossible to walk through the town, visiting each part of the town and crossing each bridge only once. In doing so, he created a whole new branch of mathematics dealing with networks, without which we would not be able to access the internet today.

For those interested, you can access information through the BBC podcast ‘A brief History of Mathematics’ on the following link http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b00ss0lk

This Month’s Puzzler – The Tower of Hanoi

According to the legend of the Tower of Hanoi (originally the "Tower of Brahma" in a temple in the Indian city of Benares), the temple priests are to transfer a tower consisting of 64 fragile disks of gold from one part of the temple to another, one disk at a time. The disks are arranged in order, no two of them the same size, with the largest on the bottom and the smallest on top. Because of their fragility, a larger disk may never be placed on a smaller one, and there is only one intermediate location where disks can be temporarily placed. It is said that before the priests complete their task the temple will crumble into dust and the world will vanish in a clap of thunder.

In the classic math problem, there are three posts. Four disks of different sizes are placed on the left-hand post, arranged by size with the smallest on top. You are to transfer all the disks to the right-hand post in the fewest possible moves, without ever placing a larger disk on a smaller one. One move is considered to be moving one disk from one post to another post.

How many moves will it take to transfer the four disks from the left post to the right post?

If there were “n” disks on the left post, how many moves will it take to transfer them to the right post?

Gavin Parker, Head Teacher Mathematics

NCSS - NATIONAL COMPUTING SCIENCE SCHOOL AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY

The NCSS Challenge is run for school students by the School of Information Technologies at the University of Sydney. Each week for 5 weeks, a set of online Python (a computer programming language) teaching resources is
distributed to the participants together with a set of questions testing this material, and each week participants submit their solutions to the Challenge website where they are automatically marked.

Year 9 IST has participated in the August 2016 NCSS Challenge. Awards received are:

Beginners High Distinction: JESSICA LAI, ELAINE ZHANG
Beginners Merit: ANNIE GAO
Intermediate Credit: JOANNE YAN

Beginners Participation Certificates to the rest of the class.

Year 9 IST is currently participating in the November NCSS Intermediate Challenge.

NOTE: The NCSS is open to all students in all years, even if you are not studying any technology courses. The material is self-teaching and self-marking, with online help available from friendly tutors from the University of Sydney. If you are interested in registering with the NCSS for future activities please see Mrs Field in the Maths staffroom. The next competition is in April 2017, but there are other online learning programs available for Term 4 2016.

Hewlett Field, Mathematics/IT Teacher

STEM

(Science Technology Engineering Mathematics)

Year 7 are currently working on their integrated STEM project in Science, Mathematics and TAS lessons. They are collaborating in small groups to design, construct and test a ballistics launcher to meet specific targets. Last week, all Year 7 classes dedicated a day to working on their group project, ready for the competition in Week 6. (See also report under “TAS News”.)

Sandra Moore, STEM Team, Maths/Science Teacher
TAS NEWS

Once again what a busy few weeks we have had in TAS! One project finishes and another one starts. I am updating you with some of what we have been up to.

TPL (TEACHER PROFESSIONAL LEARNING) AT THE SYDNEY FISH MARKET

TAS Faculty become Master Chefs of BBQ Seafood

On Sunday 6 November the TAS Faculty went to the Sydney Fish Market to participate in their seafood school of cooking. At 11am we were met and led into a demonstration room where we were shown five different seafood dishes and how to cook and present them through barbecuing.

After watching the demonstration intently, we were then ushered into a commercial kitchen and to our working benches (very much like Master Chef).

Through great teamwork and collaboration we prepared and cooked the following delectable dishes:

- BBQ Prawn Skewers with Herb Marinade
- BBQ Garfish
- Thai Style Squid Salad
- Blue Mussels in a Garlic Butter Sauce
- Salmon with a Spicy Lime Mayonnaise Sauce

Not only did we learn how to barbecue the seafood, but how to correctly de-vein prawns, fillet fish and gut squid. Much fun was had by all and we worked magnificently as a team.

After all our hard efforts we plated our dishes and took them into the dining room to enjoy our seafood feast.

We would strongly recommend and encourage anyone wanting to improve their seafood cooking skills or just wanting to get a group of friends together to enjoy an afternoon of fun.

If you would like further information on the classes that are available visit: www.sydneyfishmarket.com.au or call 9004 1111.

A big THANK YOU to Debbie Kiely for organising it. Looking forward to attending some other classes in the future.
BBQ Garfish

Serves 2 as an entrée

INGREDIENTS
4 large garfish, gilled, gutted, scaled
¼ cup plain flour
2 tablespoons freshly grated parmesan
Salt flakes and freshly ground black pepper, to taste
1 egg, lightly beaten
Olive oil
1 lemon, cut into wedges
50g rocket
1 lemon, juiced
1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil

METHOD
• Using a sharp knife, cut the heads off the garfish, wipe out the belly cavities with a damp chux or paper towel, rubbing gently to remove the black lining.
• Slice down the full length of the belly until just before the tail.
• Lay the garfish out flat, flesh side down. Using the heel of your hand, gently press along backbone from head end to tail.
• Turn fish over and run knife at a 45-degree angle along each side of the backbone from the tail end towards the head end.
• Grasp the backbone at the head end and gently pull the bone up holding the flesh either side of the bone in place with your fingers. At the tail end, fold bone over until it snaps then then twist off. Trim any remaining bones off the flesh.
• Turn fish over and use a pair of kitchen scissors to cut off fins. Dry garfish gently on paper towel.
• Put flour, parmesan, salt and pepper in a plastic bag. Shake the bag about to combine the ingredients.
• Dip garfish in beaten egg, drain then put into the bag, one at a time, and shake to coat.
• Remove garfish from bag and shake a little to remove excess flour.
• Pour a little olive oil into a shallow dish and dip garfish into oil.
• Place garfish onto hot BBQ plate skin side down.
• Cook for a couple of minutes, until flesh begins to turn opaque, then turn and cook flesh side for a further 30 seconds.
• Toss rocket with olive oil, lemon juice, salt and pepper.
• Place rocket onto serving platter, lay garfish on top and scatter lemon wedges around the plate.

YEAR 7 – STEM PROJECT
Year 7 are nearing the completion of this project. The groups have all worked well and the devices are mostly ready for the Ballistic Challenge on Tuesday 15 November.

YEAR 8 ROTATIONS
We are on our last rotations for Year 8 Technology (Mandatory). Over the course of the year the students study three topics:
• Kidz Café – Food
• PJ Party – Textiles
• Bedazzled Green – Mixed Medium

We would like to share with you some of the projects the girls worked on last term.

Bedazzled Green – Recycled Jewellery
Year 8 Technology students surpassed expectations this semester with their outstanding Recycled Jewellery pieces. Students used a range of materials from pencil shavings to milk bottles to construct their two piece jewellery sets. They learnt about sustainability, Life Cycle Analysis and the difference between repurposing new materials and truly recycling end of life products. It was wonderful to see the looks come to life in their photo shoot (pictured).

Xanthe Warren, Year 8 Technology Teacher
**Kidz Café – Decorating Cupcakes**

**Report by Prachi Shah and Rose Morgan**

As part of our Term 3 technology topic, we focused on Kidz Café and types of food available in cafes. One of our main focuses was decorating cupcakes.

Students were given the freedom to design how they wanted their cupcakes to be decorated, and what ingredients they wanted to use. The school provided fondant, buttercream icing and some other decorations, but the rest was up to the students.

Food is a surprisingly good medium for showing your creativity and Year 8’s cupcake designs were certainly proof! Among the sea of finished cupcakes at the end of the lesson were flowers, beaches, rainbows and even Mickey Mouse!

On behalf of 8TAB3, we would like to thank Ms Patonay and the rest of the technology staff for being excellent teachers and guides this year.

**Did you know:** cupcakes were originally called “number” cakes, because of how they were easily remembered by the measurements of the ingredients – one cup of butter, two cups of sugar, three cups of flour, four eggs, one cup of milk and one spoonful of soda.

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**YEAR 10 HIGH TEA**

**Report by Hannah Tran**

On Monday 24 October, Ms Kiely’s Year 10 Food Technology class held a high tea function as a part of their assessment this term. Each group was responsible for preparing and serving a particular component, either a sweet or savoury item which we presented to our guests - the invited teachers and friends.

The event went smoothly and the students did a fantastic job, from preparing the food to decorating their tables in a high tea setting. We received many compliments from our guests. Year 10 Food Technology would like to say thank you to Ms Kiely, who beautifully organised this event and to all the guests who joined us for the occasion.
OTHER EVENTS IN TAS
In the last newsletter I listed numerous upcoming events in TAS. As a faculty we believe that experiences outside the classroom are as memorable as those achievements in the classroom.

WHITEHOUSE WORKSHOP
Report by Fatme Hallani, Year 10
On 19 October, Years 9, 10 and 11 Textiles students attended a two-day Whitehouse Fashion Illustration workshop. On the first day we were taught how to draw a 9 head geometric figure and designed a garment for the figure. We also learnt the five basic rendering techniques such as hatching, scribbling, stippling, cross-hatching and scratching. On the second day we learnt how to draw a dress from scratch just by looking and identifying shapes, as well as learning facial proportions and designing a collection inspired by a specific theme, where we had a chance to use alcohol based markers for rendering. Overall it was a great experience and was very helpful to all of us.

Each of the students will receive a participation certificate and one lucky student will be chosen on their drawing merit to attend a one week fashion workshop at the Whitehouse Institute of Design. This will be announced in an upcoming assembly.

In 2017 we have another two day illustration workshop planned for Years 9, 10 and 11 in February.

ENMORE DESIGN CENTRE “TRIBES”
Report by Amy Kim, Year 10
On 12 October, 67 students from Textiles and Visual Design attended the annual Costume Parade put on by Enmore TAFE at the Enmore Theatre.

We watched “Tribes”, an extravaganza of over 100 spectacular costumes and playful puppets designed, made, worn and manipulated by young designers of the future. Tribes is a fashion show produced by the Enmore TAFE. I was amazed by all the beautiful fabrics, colours and
designs. They did an excellent job in portraying their designs based on the tribes of the world. My favourite design of the show was part of the Viking collection and the Chinese collection. We had a wonderful experience learning about new tribes and being able to watch what all the young designers had made and how talented they are.

“CAFÉ ON QUEEN”

Year 10 and 11 Hospitality students run the school café as part of their Hospitality Food and Beverage training.

The Café is open from 8:15 am on:

- Tuesday A week
- Thursday A & B week

Our special food items are:
- Bacon and egg roll
- Raisin toast
- Mini quiche

Check the blackboard for the Specials of the Day.

Come along, have some food and drinks on the bright, sunny deck and support our wonderful Hospitality students and their dedicated teachers.

GIFTED AND TALENTED (GAT) NEWS

The official Launch of the Gifted and Talented Program took place on Tuesday 25 October. The Principal, Year 7 Year Adviser and Assistant Year Adviser and families admired a wonderful display of students’ creative representation of the chosen Rich Tasks.

The evening was about the celebration of Year 7 talent and the girls' first public footprint in their journey through the school and across curriculum.

The diversity of interests was broad, interesting and deep. The students' work is indicative not only of their talent and ability to develop a self-directed project but also of their future career directions guided by clever minds.

For many of the team members, this program sets the foundation for their future leadership skills and develops confidence to take on a broader role in the life of the school and make a lasting contribution.

A showcase of this kind does not happen without the parental partnership in their learning. We thank the parents for their support and interest. No doubt, the Celebration of Learning will be another opportunity to view and admire students' work.

I am very proud of the team’s achievement and wish them all the best.

Margaret Nowak, Program Coordinator

BURWOOD ENSEMBLE PROGRAM

Last month Senior Concert Band played at Burwood Festival, Main Stage. A big audience thoroughly enjoyed our 20 minute performance and gave us a rousing reception. Thanks to all of you for your swift and smooth set up and pack up. A band that works well together plays well together!

Remembrance Day services at Ashfield RSL and Rookwood Cemetery War Graves were supported again this year by BGHS Service Singers and Brass Ensemble. Particular congratulations must go to Lauren Pearson who played a stirring Last Post and Rouse - a great
achievement. Both RSL Branches have conveyed their thanks and commented on the sincerity and respect with which our students presented themselves. Well done to all of you. You should be very proud of yourselves. 

Thank you to all girls and parents involved in supporting these important community events outside of school time.

Ashfield RSL

On Saturday 22 October several of our students, their parents and a few teachers took part in the Welcome Walk in Sydney. It was our opportunity to show the wider community that we stand by our motto of “Not For Ourselves Alone” and support all new migrants to Australia no matter what their background. We were very fortunate

Dates for your diaries:
- Thursday Nov 17: KMart Wishing Tree Launch, Ashfield Mall (selected players)
- Friday Nov 18: Strings excursion. Workshop with Wollongong Youth Orchestra.
- Monday Nov 21: Fluteloops playing at Assembly
- Tuesday Nov 29. Year 7 Celebration of Learning: all Year 7 band members (JCB and CB)
- Wednesday Nov 30. A Little (Christmas) Night Music: end of year concert (EVERYONE) (poster on last page)
- Tuesday Dec 6: Year 6 Orientation Day. CB. Christmas Community visit, Senior Strings.
- Wednesday Dec 7: Fluteloops Christmas Community visits
- Wednesday Dec 14: Presentation Day. Senior Strings

Genevieve Campbell PhD.
Director, Ensemble Program

“NOT FOR OURSELVES ALONE”

“WALK TOGETHER - WELCOME WALK”

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to meet, be inspired by and dance with Deng Adut, NSW Australian of the Year. The BGHS group walked proudly and loudly holding our school banner and representing our school with honour. Thank you to all those students and parents who made the effort to be there on a Saturday to give their voice to support those who don’t have one.

_Erin Dib, Languages Faculty_

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**“DO IT IN A DRESS” DAY**

60 million girls worldwide do not have access to primary education simply because they were born girls.

On Monday 7 November, the teachers put on their school dresses for the day, to raise money and awareness that some girls in Africa cannot. The students challenged the teachers at lunchtime to a competitive “Family Feud” style game, with rounds of spelling, mathematics and popular culture. To throw any spare change towards the cause, visit [http://www.doitinadress.com/bghs-teachers](http://www.doitinadress.com/bghs-teachers)

Thanks to all the staff and students for their support!

_Henry Wijanto, HSIE Faculty_

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**CYBERSAFETY WORKSHOP**

In the last *Event* newsletter we advertised the Macquarie University Cybersafety Workshop on 26 October and some of our parents, students and staff went along to listen to the panel of experts. It was an informative evening where we learnt about the things that students should be careful with online but we were also inspired by a professor from the Mathematics Department who talked passionately about the role of the Internet in society and academic study. It was a worthwhile workshop and I would encourage other parents and the wider community to take up these opportunities in the future.

_Erin Dib, Languages Faculty_

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**NATIONAL UNITY WEEK**

*National Unity Week* was a chance for the Australian community to recognise and celebrate that, while we all come from different religious and ethnic backgrounds, we can all work together harmoniously to create a cohesive, vibrant and diverse community. As a part of National Unity Week celebrations we held a Multi-Faith Scripture session which saw all of our scripture groups come together to learn about one another’s faiths and share their stories about their religion’s traditions, values and ideals. It was a very moving event.

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We also showed our support for unity by creating a Unity Patchwork Quilt. Hundreds of students wrote messages of support for multiculturalism, tolerance, empathy and understanding on calico patches that will be sewn together to create a big Unity Patchwork Quilt. This...
quilt will be hung around the school to show our belief in Unity in Diversity. If you can sew a straight line and would like to help us stitch this together we would really appreciate some help, so please contact Mrs Dib at the school on 9747 3355.

E. Dib, Languages Faculty

SPORTS NEWS

YEAR 8 LUNCHTIME SPORT
For the past month many of the Year 8 students have been enjoying some exercise and having lots of fun playing sport on the oval and courts during Wednesday lunch. We have played soccer, netball and basketball and had many laughs along the way. It has been a fantastic way for the Year 8 students to come together in a healthy way and do something different at lunch.

Special thanks to Mr Chalmers for organising it all.

Erin Dib, Year 8 Adviser

“GIRL is NOT a 4 Letter Word”
Our very own Sari Simpson-Jones of Year 10 competed in the "Exposure" women's skateboarding competition last weekend. This event was held in Encinitas, California USA and is the world's biggest all female skateboarding competition which is breaking down the stereotype that the sport of skateboarding is just for the boys.

This competition raises money that is given to a non-profit organisation (in America) that helps women and their families affected by domestic violence, but also gives young women from all over the world a chance to compete in the sport of skateboarding.

Sari placed 3rd in the 'bowl' event and an amazing 1st in the 'Vert' over 15’s event.

Congratulations Sari (centre of photo), we are all very proud of you and your fantastic achievements.

Jan Gianotti, Sport Carnivals Coordinator

Check out the website below to find out more about the competition Sari competed in. It has fantastic action photos from the competition including our very own Sari:
http://www.girlisnota4letterword.com/2016/11/the-girls-were-ripping-at-exposure-skate.html?m=1

YEAR 7 GALA DAY
On Tuesday 8 November, the team of Year 7 2016 participated in the annual Northern Suburbs Zone sporting Gala Day at Cintra Park, Five Dock. It is an introduction to sport within our sporting zone and the girls competed against Concord HS, Fort Street HS, Hunters Hill HS, Marsden HS and Ryde Secondary College students in the sports of Netball, Soccer and Volleyball.
With their dedicated Year 10 PASS coaches and wonderful BGHS teachers, all students enjoyed a hot yet, fun and exciting day of sport where they had the opportunity to utilise their new skills learnt throughout the lunchtime training sessions run by the PASS coaches, working together as a team, improving their communication and problem solving skills, catching up with old friends from primary school and making new friends from the zone schools at Gala Day.

Congratulations to those teams who finished first in their sporting draws. And a HUGE cheer for all our wonderful Year 7 students who represented Burwood Girls and displayed amazing sportsmanship on and off the field. It was a SUPER day!

*Jan Gianotti, Sport Carnivals Coordinator*

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**P&C NEWS**

**Next Meeting – Wednesday 16 November**

The final P&C meeting for 2016 will be on Wednesday 16 November in the Library at 7:00 pm.

*Please note: the AGM and election of office bearers has been held over to 2017.*

All welcome. Please come and share a cup of coffee and a chat. We are always happy to see more dads!

*Nick Miller, P&C President*

Minutes of previous meetings are available on the school website along with information about the P&C:

P&C UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop is very busy this week as Year 6 students and their parents attend interviews and buy uniforms for Year 7, 2017.

Please note: the last day for the Uniform Shop is Tuesday 6 December 2016. All purchases must be made and orders collected by 6 December.

Parents – for your convenience, you may telephone the shop and pay over the ’phone by Visa or Mastercard. Your daughter can then collect her purchases at recess or lunchtime. Phone 9747 3355 and ask for the Uniform Shop anytime during shop hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The Uniform Shop’s regular opening hours:
- Tuesday, 8:30 am – 2:30 pm
- Thursday, 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm

Parents may visit the Uniform Shop any time during opening hours. Students may only visit before school, recess and lunchtime during opening hours.

For all enquiries, please call the school on 9747 3355.

Elaine Browne, Manager, P&C Uniform Shop

NATIONALLY CONSISTENT COLLECTION OF DATA ON SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY (NCCD) - Notification to Parents and Carers

From 2015, all Government and non-Government schools across Australia are required to participate annually in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD).

All Australian schools will collect data on their students who are receiving adjustments to meet additional learning and support needs in accordance with their obligations under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and Disability Standards for Education 2005. This data will be provided to the Australian Government to assist in the development of a consistent, national picture of the educational needs of students with disability.

The data provided to the Australian Government by the NSW Department of Education is provided in such a way that it cannot be used to identify any individual student or school.


Privacy Protection

The NSW Department of Education follows the requirements of the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 and the Health Records and Information Privacy Act 2002. Schools with collect, record, store and use data about individual students in line with these requirements. Data security and protection is a priority and students’ personal details will be kept confidential.

Under Clause 52 of the Commonwealth Australian Education Regulation 2013, data collected by the NSW Department of Education for the NCCD must be provided to the Australian Government Department of Education and Training. This includes the number of students at each level of education, the number in each category of disability and the number at each level of adjustment. The information is provided to the Commonwealth as a series of number sets that cannot be used to identify any individual student or school.

The Australian Government Department of Education and Training follows the requirements of the Commonwealth Privacy Act 1988 when handling any data provided by NSW Department of Education in connection with the national data collection. A privacy notice has been developed by the Australian Government to provide students, parents and carers with important privacy information in relation to the data collection. This notice is available on the department’s website at http://education.gov.au/notices

If you have any questions about the data collection, please do not hesitate to contact Judy Elkington, LaST at the school on 9747 3355.

Mia Kumar, Principal

(NCCD information is also available on our website under “Our School/School Policies & Bell Times/Student Well-being Policy”.)

GALLERY

A beautiful sunrise photo by Harine Somasundaram
COMMUNITY NOTICES

Would you like to be a foster carer?

Every child has a right to a safe, happy and permanent home. SSI works with children and young people who need support from foster carers. This support could be on a short- or long-term basis.

They may need care just until it is safe for them to return to their parents care or until they are 18 years old.

Important qualities of a foster carer include:
• Having a genuine interest and focus on a child’s wellbeing and future
• A willingness to help them understand their past
• A willingness to help them stay connected with their family, culture, language and religion

If you have a spare room and these qualities you need your support.

For more information about becoming a foster carer with SSI please contact Kathy Kontakos, Manager SSI Multicultural Foster Care
p (02) 8713 9200
e fostercare@ssiaustralia.org.au
ssi.org.au/foster-care

Teaching someone to drive can be a happy experience.

You can learn all the simple steps on how to teach a learner driver at a FREE two hour workshop.

The next workshop in your area will be held:

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Helping learner drivers become safe drivers

A Little (Christmas) Night Music

7pm Wednesday November 30, 2016
BGHS School Hall

Tickets at the door: Adult $10 / Student $5. Lucky door prizes (keep your ticket).
An evening of music, carols and good cheer! Light snacks served from 6pm.
Donations of small gifts for the children of the Tiwi islands are most welcome. Please place them under our Christmas tree on the night.