Dear Parent/Guardian

As we approach the end of term, the year 12 students are busily preparing for senior block exams, a significant number have just completed QCS testing and furthermore, other groups of students are completing assessment and modules attached to vocational training and pathways. As I reflect on all of this, I realise just how quickly the year is flying by, and how quickly our students become young adults. It reinforces the wonderful privilege it is to teach your sons and daughters and help prepare them for life beyond formal schooling. I am also conscious of the fact that learning looks completely different now than even just 5 years ago, certainly a foreign and distant world from the education system I went through as a student.

My team and I love the challenge of providing different pathways for students, establishing unique pathways through Senior Education Training Plans (SETP) and involving our community as often as we can in the education of our students. We have already seen this term our own mini careers expo, one for tertiary study, yet another for our local work industry and career pathways. Year 10 students recently were involved in interviews with key staff around their SET Planning, navigating a pathway into the senior school and beyond. There will be another expo in term 4 insuring school to work transition.

Just recently, Mrs Jackson and Mr Wilson facilitated DP World (Port) delivering curriculum to year 7 students in the areas of Mathematics (Super Saver Module) and Moving Goods around the World. Mrs Jackson was also instrumental in organising the Curriculum Validation Day a fortnight ago, where local industry representatives met with our Engineering, Construction and STEM teachers providing feedback and validating the skills taught in these disciplines. It was a very productive afternoon and our partners were impressed with both our facilities and the skills being taught in our College.

As you are also aware, Mr Legrand is doing some great and innovative work with the Australian Business Community Network (ABCN), identifying opportunities for our students in women’s leadership, interviewing techniques, business partnerships (PricewaterhouseCoopers) and sourcing potential education scholarships. The world of learning certainly does look different and exciting!

It would be remiss of me not to mention the wonderful Twilight Carnivale that was held at BBSC a fortnight ago. We had over 500 people in attendance and it was fabulous to see our students showcase their talented skills in the Arts; whether it be through Dance, Music, Art or Drama, the evening was a huge success and reflected the great community spirit and support we have here at the College. My thanks in particular goes to Ms Mardi Stitt (Acting Performing Arts HOD) for her coordination of the event, her team of highly talented and skilful teachers, the hospitality and support staff for making the evening possible. Finally, and above all else, to our wonderful students who are a credit to you, the parents, themselves and the College.

Finally, this week is recognised as ‘Support Staff’ week. We are so fortunate to have so many willing staff at BBSC who support the teaching and learning agenda here at the College each day. To all of our support staff, heartfelt gratitude from the entire schooling community.

*Until the next newsletter*

*Regards*

*Darren*
ICEBBIRG Industry Validation Afternoon – Friday 19th August


The purpose of ICEBBIRG is to provide students with the opportunities to gain the skills and qualifications that will allow them to be successful in their engagement with the workforce and/or tertiary education post-school.

Brisbane Bayside State College is working collaboratively to provide current, relevant and effective learning opportunities for students to prepare them for the workforce and for life. The focus is to enhance partnerships through building capacity across the community to strengthen and widen support networks by engaging with our local industry leaders.

On Friday 19th August, the Technology faculty held an Industry validation afternoon for business and industry partners from the Construction, Engineering and Robotics industries. The aim of this was to enable our teaching staff to engage directly with industry representatives to ensure that we are delivering curriculum and assessment to current industry standards.

Industry validation enhances and formalises links to build on existing practice and processes across all stakeholder environments to:

- Look at student projects, assessment and curriculum that forms part of an assessment quality assurance system.
- Share current experiences and create ongoing networking opportunities.
- Collaborate with like-minded teachers to plan activities and projects to ensure that training and assessment methodologies meet industry standards and address compliance requirements
- Build relationships to enable future engagement opportunities as well as sourcing
- Commitment and investment in future strategies
- Be assured that the learner has the learning environment to develop the skills, knowledge and attributes as described in the subject and associated assessment requirements

It was a fantastic afternoon which allowed for rich conversations between our teachers and industry representatives. We thank our Industry representatives for taking the time out of their busy schedules to come and see what we do at BBSC.
Lighting and sound during the evening complemented the performances and was directed by technician Dave Parnell and his team.

Overall, the evening was a huge success thanks to the staff, students and families involved in both the lead up to the event and the evening itself.

**Mardi Stitt**  
**Acting Head of Department — The Arts**

**Wellbeing Update — Senior**

We are now nearing the end of term and assessment is building, along with stress levels (both for teachers and students). If students are feeling stressed, they could check out –

http://www.mindshift.org.au

http://www.headspace.org.au

Or ‘the smiling mind’ app available for both iPhone and android.

A group of around 70 year 12 students participated in the state-wide QCS test this on the 30th and 31st of August. During these days, students are required to undertake 4 different exams to show their knowledge in reading, writing and multiple choice question papers. The QCS breakfast is a BBSC tradition and is prepared by year 11s, for the year 12 students. Along with some help from the Chaplain and other student leaders the breakfast provided a nutritious (and delicious) start to these days. Another key date for year 12s is exam block from the 5th – 9th of September. Students are requested to arrive 10 minutes prior to the scheduled start time. Exam schedules will have been emailed to student accounts.

The year 10 (Senior Education and Training) Plan interviews on Wednesday 24th of August were well received with nearly all year 10 students with parents or guardians spending time carefully selecting and ensuring students are ready and prepared for year 11 schooling at BBSC. Year 11s continue to focus their efforts around respectful relationship and QCS preparation which is proving to be very stimulating for all involved.

Would you like to know more or talk further with a Senior Wellbeing Leader? Contact the relevant year co-ordinator via phone or email.

Kaitlyn Follett  
**Year 11 Coordinator**

**Flexible Learning Program Update - Week 8 Term 3**

The ‘You-Turn’ Flexible Learning Program has rolled on strongly this term with us nearing the end of our two unique units.

The ‘junior’ class is wrapping up two units: **Video Games & Violence, & Our Jaffle Business.**

Lately in **Video Games & Violence**, students have played and viewed a series of ‘Pacifist’ games that involve no use of violence. The class then had to evaluate whether the absence of weapons, blood, guns etc. made a difference to the entertainment value of these games when replaced instead with a cooperative focus and good humour.

We also set up our own mini-United Nations in which we outlined what we believe are 10 fundamental Human Rights. This is in anticipation for our final game we play this week and next week through the eyes of a series of civilians during war time.

This unit has been so successful that **we’re famous**! Yes, the last newsletter issue caught the attention of the Wynnum Herald who came out to interview myself and Mr. Wallwork before the newspaper’s photographer took some photos for our article coming out this week.

In **Our Jaffle Business**, the class has completed their first successful cook up with great success, generating $111.00 for their first cook-up. A big thanks to all the teaching staff that ordered our delicious, hot jaffles. The students brought in $5 to act as shareholders and have so far walked away with $11.30 each with one more cook to come!

For the ‘senior’ class, the next two weeks will hopefully result in a final execution of months of hard work. The class has been planning their own camp from the quotes right down to practising setting up their own tents and organising their food itinerary.
Coupled with this, our art stencils for our street art work are finished and ready to go out into the community with a final place to be sorted from council.

Stay tuned and let the good times roll on roll on roll on.

**Bruce Lee street art practice spray in readiness for our actual spray later this term. Created by Zach Klotz**

Ryley Webster, Tyler Pure and Dallas Oti surveying Ms. Debbie Cooritz for feedback about the jaffles menu set by the class.

**Rory Wheeler, Callum Bensley and Zach Klotz practice their tent building skills in anticipation for their school camp next week!**

**Dan Bailey**

**Flexible Learning Coordinator**

**2017 School to Work Transition Programs**

Students, parents/guardians and schools are invited to attend one of the following Business Information Nights.

SVETE programs prepare students for employment whilst they are still at school, through structured workplace learning, including 20 days (usually 1 day per week) unpaid work experience and completion of a nationally recognised qualification.

**Tuesday 6 September**

Bremer State High School
6:00 – 8:00pm

**Thursday 8 September**

Westec Trade Centre (Springfield)
6:00 – 8:00pm

**Wednesday 14 September**

Coopers Secondary College
6:00 – 8:00pm

**Thursday 15 September**

Kedron State High School
6:00 – 8:00pm

The programs are targeted at students in years 11 and/or 12 in 2017. There are different entry points for each program. More information is provided in the Program Industry Snapshot.

**Placements in programs are limited.**

Interested students will undergo a selection and recruitment process. Attendance at one of the sessions is highly recommended.

If you are interested in attending one of the business information nights please click on the links below:-

Tuesday, 6 September 2016, 6:00 - 8:00pm
https://www.ivvy.com/event/56Q93B/

Wednesday, 8 September 2016, 6:00 - 8:00pm
https://www.ivvy.com/campaign/link/process/id/48719a1d0984c3beabc7dd5d1ed0b722/s/64e8734c72e20a1897550f570e037952/account/21789/report/42135

Wednesday, 14 September 2016, 6:00 - 8:00pm
https://www.ivvy.com/campaign/link/process/id/7b7901c1c1aaa1dc4ba718cba8b7361d/s/64e8734c72e20a1897550f570e037952/account/21789/report/42135

**Mimi Pace**

**Youth Support Coordinator**

**Year 7 Innovate STEM Program Launch**

On Tuesday 23rd August, the Australian Business Community Network and PricewaterhouseCoopers came to the College to meet with 20 Year 7 students who had been selected to participate in the Year 7 Innovate STEM program – the first in Queensland. Innovate is a mentoring program designed to increase Australia’s problem solvers and innovators skilled in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths by inspiring engagement and up take of these subjects.

Through working with PwC mentors the students will build their confidence and learning areas in STEM as well as their understanding and knowledge of STEM careers. The students will be working in teams with their mentors and will be provided
with opportunities to solve complex problems and to demonstrate innovation, creativity and critical thinking.

The College is proud to be an ABCN school working in partnership and providing students from across the College, the opportunity to participate in a range of workshops and activities to enhance student learning and engagement.

**Frederic Legrand**  
**Year 7 Coordinator**

**Visual Arts Students Feature in Creative Generations**

The work of students Warrick Digovich and Gillian Kohl will be on show at the Creative Generations Excellence Awards in Visual Art at the Brisbane Institute of Art, Windsor this Saturday 3rd September from 3 pm to 5.30 pm. Award winners will be announced following the exhibition. We congratulate Warrick and Gillian for having their work selected and thank their teacher Clare Miles for her work with the students and entering and delivering their pieces to the gallery.

**Warrick Digovich – Brisbane Bayside State College.**

**Thriving Parasites**

Metal, wire, bolts and screws.

“I produced this artwork to raise awareness of world conflicts and how they affect the innocent. I chose to use metal because it rusts easily. The rust represents conflict which on the stem of the rose is slowly making its way up towards the welding, cutting with an angle grinder and heating with a gas torch to manipulate the metal. This artwork represents the need to pay attention to what is going on in the world today and try together to make a positive difference, to stop conflict.”

**Gillian Kohl – Brisbane Bayside State College.**

**Beautiful Reflections**

Wooden pencils, wire mesh and cardboard.

“I produced this artwork to show people that they should feel beautiful within themselves and not judge on how society illustrates beauty. The idea of removing paint from the pencils was to show purging the outer beauty everyone is so accustomed to. The raw pencils represent ‘natural’ beauty. I incorporated mirrors to allow the viewer to see themselves, to catch a glimpse of their beauty. I used wire mesh to manipulate into a broken female form with pencils stripped bare and glued on. This artwork represents that beauty should be what you feel not what you want others to see.”

**BBSC Library**

August has been an exciting month for the library! Between the Olympics, The Premiers Reading Challenge, two visiting authors, Book Week and book character dress up day, the library has been buzzing with atmosphere.

We cheered on the Aussies as we had the Olympics playing on the big screen. The highlight though was watching Hussain Bolt win the 100m final. Many cheers from the audience!

The Premier’s Reading Challenge kept students heads in books as our junior school students strived for a reading target of 15 books each by 26 August. This challenge is run every year and prizes are up for grabs for students and our school. This year has seen the highest number of participants. Students have been very proud to hand in their reading lists. Most students who participated read far in excess of 15 books! Great work to those students who have participated! Prizes and certificates will be issued early next term.

The 2016 Book Week theme was ‘Australia Story Country’ which recognised and celebrated Aussie authors. Our school was privileged to invite two renowned Australian authors; Michael Gerard Bauer (Don’t Call Me Ishmael, Ishmael and the Hoops of Steel, Eric Vale Super Male and Eric Vale Epic Fail) and Christine Bongers (Intruder, Dust, Henry Hoey Hobson) to share the inspiration behind their novels. They also provided great tips for budding writers!

During this term Year 8 students read Michael Gerard Bauer’s book ‘Don’t Call Me Ishmael’ as their English text. It was a worthwhile experience to have Michael engage with them about the background behind his novels. Michael was very impressed.
With our library and even mentioned our school on his Facebook page!

Christine Bongers was enthralling and vibrant as she recalled her upbringing as inspiration for her novels. She has been a successful journalist but now loves writing fiction. Christine loves to extend young people’s writing skills through storytelling, and she can certainly tell a story!

Feel free to pop into the library to borrow any or all of the books by these authors and check out their websites:

https://michaelgerardbauer.com/
http://www.christinebongers.com/

The culmination of Book Week 2016 was “dress as your favourite book character” Free Dress day to raise money for the BBSC Lions – Mates supporting Mates. Many students participated and were keen to pose for photos showing their favourite book characters.

Don’t forget to pop in and choose a book or two for your holiday reading. It’s great weather to find a shady tree and delve into a good book! We have many new titles in for just the occasion. Parents also feel free to pop in and browse our shelves and select a book or two for yourselves. It’s a great way to connect with your child!

Karly Shire

Finance News

NEW Finance Office Opening Hours

Monday – Friday
8.00am – 3.00pm

Statements were issued last week.

Would you please endeavour to make your payments promptly.

Thank you to all families who are continuing to make payments and to those families who have completed their payment of account.

It is greatly appreciated.

There are ID cards still to be collected.

Here is a quick user guide to follow when using BPOINT for payments:

You need to enter the invoice number for the payment whether you are paying the total amount or a part payment.

When making further part or balance payments, continue to use the same invoice number.

Alternatively, payments can be made by Eftpos or Direct Debit.

To pay via phone using Credit Card please call Holly on 3893 5340.

If you would like to Direct Debit the School Bank Account details are as follows:

- Commonwealth Bank
- BSB: 064133
- Account: 00090204
- Reference: Your student’s name

And if you are paying a specific invoice please use your student’s name and the invoice number or subject for example: H Brown Sport

Holly Brown

QPARENTS

Did you know you can access your student’s information online now?

Your child’s educational journey is in your hands. You can access their daily timetable on your phone, tablet or computer as well as their Semester report cards. You can notify the school of your child’s absences and monitor their attendance as well.

To start the registration process you need to receive an invitation email, 100 points of ID documents and your student’s EQ ID number.

Click on the diagram below which outlines the step by step process to register.

If you are not online at your residence or not feeling comfortable completing the registration, please feel free to come in and talk with our friendly office staff so we can assist you with this process.

If you no longer have the invitation email sent earlier this year giving you access to register for QParents, please do not hesitate to contact the school so we can arrange to send it again.
Now you are registered you can access your student’s invoices and payment details through QParents
http://qparents.qld.edu.au/

You can pay school invoices online with a debit/credit card.
If you are currently registered to access QParents you can view your student’s report through this portal. You can then download the report which goes to your email allowing you to save or print the document.

Enrolments to date are 139 which are 18.1% of our college families. This has been increasing throughout the year.
Invitational emails have been sent to families.

Holly Brown

P&C OPERATIONS

Canteen

The Canteen is open every day from 8am and available for Breakfast, Recess and Lunch.

We welcome orders daily so please see our team for your order form. ALL orders must be placed by 8.45am.

Uniform Shop – Opening Hours

The Uniform Shop is open from 8am to 11.45am on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Uniform Orders:

If you are unable to make it into the shop during open hours, we will happily provide uniforms to your student with a completed order form. Forms can be delivered to the uniform shop or emailed to uniformshop@brisbanebayssdesc.eq.edu.au. Payment can be made via cash, cheque (made payable to BBSC P&C uniform shop) or credit card by filling in your card details on the order form. Alternatively, we can take credit card payments over the phone. We also provide assistance with sizing your student.

Second Hand Uniforms:

Your donations are greatly appreciated. Second hand uniforms can be donated to the P&C Association – these uniforms will be sold in the uniform shop. All proceeds will be utilised in the provision of college facilities, services and resources. Donations can be left at either the uniform shop or the college office. Donations are very welcome and greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Private Sale of Second Hand Uniforms

SCHOOL SECONDS – your #1 Online School Classified Site specialising in recycled school essentials servicing all Australian families and Schools.

BUY or SELL your pre-owned school essentials 24/7 - school uniforms, school textbooks, sports apparel & equipment, hobbies, computers/IT, musical instruments, formal wear, UNI/TAFE, and more!

Your school is a member of School Seconds – earn Rewards for your School for every listing you place!
http://www.schoolseconds.com.au
http://www.facebook.com/schoolseconds

“We hope that you will use our online classified site to buy and sell your unwanted school essentials to help out not only yourself, but others in your school community, as well as earning rewards for your School. And let’s not forget the positive affect on the environment in recycling”.

Paula Hewitt
P & C Operations Manager

RECOGNITION OF SUPPORT STAFF WEEK

This week BBSC was about celebrating and recognizing our fellow Support Staff and the important work that these staff members do to contribute to the smooth running of our school.

Help your teenager to beat exam stress

It’s normal for teenagers to feel stressed out in the lead up to exams, particularly those teenagers in year 12. Your teenager may only get stressed about just one or two exams or it may be every exam leads to increased stress.

Stress around exam time can not only impact on a young person’s general wellbeing, but it can also be difficult for the whole family. It’s important to learn how to support your teenager during exam time to help them manage their stress and reduce tension at home.

ReachOut Parents has over 140 fact sheets and practical tools. Here are a few that will help you support your teenager with exam stress:

Tips on helping your teenager manage exam stress:

Help your child develop coping skills for stress:

Manage stress with relaxation:
Reduce stress with activity, good food and sleep:
Reduce-stress-with-activity-good-food-and-sleep

For more evidence-based practical support and tips on mental health and wellbeing issues for parents head on over to
https://parents.au.reachout.com/

The service also provides an online community forum so that parents can connect with each other to share experiences in an anonymous, supportive space.

Gabrielle Nolan
Youth Health Nurse

SUPER FUN, SUPER 6

Super6 Football is back for the sixth year at Bayside United, register as a team or single player now. You can register at clubrooms on Wednesdays from 6.00 to 7.30 pm or online at:
http://www.super6football.com

Games will commence on October 6th for Opens/Over 35
All other age groups on October 7th

Costs:

$60 U6/7
$80 Junior
$90 Senior

This includes all game and referee fees, Bar and canteen facilities are open.

Any queries call Nicola on 0433 160 179 or email super6footballinfo@baysideunited.com.au

Year Books

The 2015 Year Book has arrived and is available for collection in the office.

Who Should I Talk To If…

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Queensland Academies

Open Days
Science, Mathematics & Technology Campus
Wednesday: 15 July 2015 5.00 - 7.00 pm
Health Sciences Campus
Tuesday: 21 July 2015 12 noon - 2.00 pm
Creative Industries Campus
Saturday: 25 July 2015 1.00 - 4.00 pm

To learn more and register your attendance go to qa.eq.edu.au