Dear Parent/Guardian,

I am sure you will agree this term has gone very quickly. Year 12 students have completed their Queensland Core Skills Testing and block exams last week and no doubt are looking forward to a well-earned break along with the rest of the student body, not to mention staff!

Earlier in the week at staff briefing, I took the opportunity to acknowledge the wonderful work of our teaching staff in going above and beyond, working with our students. I referred specifically to the 6 teachers who accompanied our 27 students to the Human Powered Vehicle (HPV) competition in Maryborough last weekend, the 2 teachers who chaperoned our junior secondary dancers to the Wondall State School fete last Saturday, our Hospitality teacher who accompanied 2 students to a recent Hospitality competition on the Gold Coast and a Head of Department who coaches our students at a regular Touch competition each Thursday evening. Thank you to Mr Davison, Mr Bailey, Chaplain Randall, Miss Henry, Miss Cornelli, Mr Sheriff, Mrs Stitt, Mrs Stanic and Mr Hasson for your unrelenting support of our students in providing the best possible opportunities for our students both within and external to the College environment. Whilst acknowledging the great results, participation and commitment of students, these opportunities would not be possible without teachers prepared to give their time so freely. Thank you to all my staff who go the extra mile.

The administration team have been visiting classes this term to conduct observations and gather data from students and then providing feedback to teachers, specifically around student engagement. This week I was fortunate to visit Mrs Stanic’s year 7 sewing class. I was instructed on the ways of working with bobbins, threading, ironing, pinning and dyeing. I loved this opportunity but sadly was a dismal failure at threading the needle and sewing machine; time for glasses no doubt! I reflected though on the importance of life skills for our students and whilst numeracy and literacy hold ‘centre court’ at our College, (this was also evident in the sewing lesson), the importance of students learning life skills cannot be underestimated. We have some wonderful year 7 students at the College and it was a pleasure spending some time with them.

A reminder to all parents/guardians that student services offer a secure location for students wishing to place any valuables, including phones and laptops throughout the day without the need to carry them or leave valuables in bags. These items can be dropped off and collected before and after school, or during recesses.

Term 3 reports will be emailed home on Friday the 7th of October. Monday the 3rd of October is the Queen’s Birthday public holiday. School recommences on Tuesday the 4th of October for all students.

I wish you all a safe and enjoyable holiday and look forward to reconnecting with you after the school break.

Until the next gazette
Regards
Darren Wallwork
Quality Education for Students with Disability

Access to a quality education for students with disability is an important issue for many local families.

The Department of Education is currently undertaking a wide-ranging review into a disability policy in Queensland State Schools.

The review will take an honest look at what schools are doing well and areas in which the department can better support teachers who have responsibility for teaching students with a disability.

I would encourage all interested parents and students to complete the survey before the 30th of September at:


Congratulations on a successful Term 3 and I wish you all the best for a relaxing and safe holiday.

Joan Pease MP
Member for Lytton

Awards Night

The entire BBSC community will be looking forward to the seventh annual BBSC Awards night to be held at the Noel Humphrys Sports Hall on the evening of Wednesday, November 2nd from 6:45pm. This evening is always a great celebration of student talent and success. Below is a reminder of the structure and criteria for student recognition through our awards program.

ACADEMIC AWARDS

At Brisbane Bayside State College we believe in rewarding and recognizing excellence, achievement and effort. We have a proud record in all areas and our annual awards night is a highlight on our calendar. However, we recognize that there may be circumstances which lead to modification of criteria for an individual group. Variations may be made by the Principal.

Individual Subject Awards

These will be decided upon by the relevant Heads of Departments. A recipient of a subject award must satisfy excellence in that subject in terms of achievement, industry and classroom behavior. In all cases Heads of Department will use fullest and latest data on student achievement, recognizing that no student should be disadvantaged because they have not yet studied a full semester of an elective subject.

Gold, Silver and Bronze Achievement

Academic Award Pins will be decided upon by the Academic Awards management team using school reporting data. A recipient of a badge must satisfy all class teachers in terms of industry and classroom behaviour.

Pins

All students are eligible for Achievement Points are aligned with Achievement ratings:

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Subject Prizes

The top student in each subject in Years 10, 11 and 12 will be awarded a subject prize, provided the student is of HA standard or better at the time of decision making. This is based on results up until the end of term three or in elective subjects results are based on semester one results. One and only one prize may be awarded per subject. If the prize winner is not clear-cut at the time, then a count-back over previous semesters will be used. Alternatively, the decision may be based on superior industry or performance on specific tasks.

Dux of the College

To be eligible for school dux, a student must be studying 5 or more Authority (QCAA) subjects. The decision will be based on exit ratings – or ratings as close to exit as possible. (This will usually mean ratings proposed by the school at verification time). As a general rule, the Dux will be the student with the highest points total over their best 5 subjects. Other factors may need to be considered at the discretion of the Principal.

Junior Dux of the College (Year 9)

To be eligible for junior dux, a student must be studying 5 or more Year 9 subjects. The decision will be based on most recent ratings – or ratings as close to Awards Night as possible. (This will usually mean ratings proposed by the school at end of Term 3 for that Academic year). As a general rule, the Dux will be the student with the highest points total over best 5 subjects. Other factors may need to be considered at the discretion of the Principal.

SPORTING AWARDS

Our college has a graduated system of sporting awards. A student is presented with only the award gained by his/her highest level of representation. An award may not be presented if no student has achieved the identified criteria of the award. All students nominated for awards must display that they are good sports, demonstrate teamwork and co-operation, and be good ambassadors for the college. All awards are made for QSSSSA and/or GBS organized or sanctioned sports.
Sportspersons of the Year (Junior & Senior)

- Must represent the school in at least three (3) sports.
- Must display outstanding sporting ability and a high level of sportsmanship and co-operation.
- Levels of representation will be taken into account when deciding the award.

Gold Medal

Member of QSSSSA State sports team to participate in National competition; or participant in a QSSSSA State final of an individual event, i.e. one of the top 9 competitors in Athletics; one of the top 8 in swimming; or placed in the top 8 in Cross Country.

Silver Medal

Member of a Regional team to participate in a State competition organized by QSSSSA; Gaining a place in the top 3 of an individual event at Regional level in Swimming, Athletics, Cross Country, or an individual sport; or Member of a school team that has won a QSSSSA Metropolitan Final or equivalent.

Bronze Medal

These are presented to Age Champions, boys and girls, in the 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17 and over age divisions of Interhouse Swimming Carnival; Interhouse Athletics Carnival; Interhouse Cross Country and progressing to represent at district level. Presented at the Carnivals, or a full college assembly.

Pennants

These are awarded by the organizing bodies to members of District/Regional Premiership winning teams. Presented on college assemblies.

CULTURAL AWARDS

Possible Areas of Involvement

Orchestra, Band, School Musical or equivalent, Arts Festival, Choir, Debating, Drama and Dance (other than school subject), Photography, Set and Costume Design and Construction, College Annual (editing or design).

Criteria

- The student has been involved in a variety of extra-curricular Arts activities or achieved a level of excellence in a particular field from the list above.
- The student has demonstrated above average ability or potential in these fields.
- The student shows enthusiasm and diligence in the field.
- The student has given freely of their own time, and been reliable and considerate in their dealings.

Gold Medal

- Solo/lead
- Outstanding performance level
- Win at regional level. Selection at State Level

Silver Medal

- Solo/lead
- Good performance level
- Inter-school performance

Bronze Medal

- Group performance
- Rapid progress in the field
- Intra-school performance

ADDITIONAL SPECIAL AWARDS

Recognition is given for the following Special Awards

College Leaders
- Senior – All Rounder (Caltex Award) – senior student with a high level of achievement in a range of school activities.
- Junior All – Rounder

Rotary Citizenship Award

Meals on Wheels Community Nutrition Award

Griffith University Academic Excellence Bursary

Long Tan Australian Defence Force Leadership Awards (Year 12 and Year 10)

 Aboriginal and Torres Islander Student of the Year

Vocational Education Student of the Year

Technology Student of the Year

English/Humanities Student of the Year

Encouragement Award

Champion House – Sports and Overall.

BBSC P & C SCHOLARSHIP BURSARIES

Commencing in 2014, a great inclusion in our Awards Night celebrations has been the recognition of a number of students as winners of Brisbane Bayside State College P & C Scholarship Bursaries.

Details and criteria for these are as follows:

The Brisbane Bayside State College (BBSC) Parents and Citizens Association (the P & C) is committed to supporting the educational objectives of BBSC and enhancing BBSC student educational outcomes.

Senior Dux

To qualify for the Senior Dux Scholarship Bursary, a student must be awarded the Senior Dux in the year in which the scholarship bursary is to be granted.

Academic

Academic Scholarship Bursaries will be awarded to up to the top five individual achievers who meet the criteria:

To qualify for an Academic scholarship bursary a student must, in the year in which the scholarship bursary is to be granted:

- Achieve in the OP 1-5 range in year 12 based on the OP Analyser in October of the year in which the scholarship bursary is to be granted.
- Earn an A or B in effort and behaviour in all subjects except one in all year 12 reports.
Vocational
To qualify for a Vocational Scholarship Bursary a student must, in the year in which the scholarship bursary is to be granted:

- Have completed at least one Cert II/III qualification by the end of year 12.
- Receive an A or a B in effort and behaviour in all subjects except one in all year 12 reports.
- Demonstrate: A commitment to workplace structured learning; and/or a propensity for future success.

In deciding if a Vocational scholarship bursary is to be granted, the P & C may consider the candidate student’s Senior Education and Training Planning (SET Plan) goals.

Discretionary
To qualify for a Scholarship Bursary in this category, a student must:

- Not meet the criteria for another scholarship bursary.
- Be considered by the P & C to be a candidate whose efforts have demonstrated a propensity for success by, for example:
  - Achieving outstanding academic improvement.
  - Demonstrating an outstanding commitment to achievement.
  - Having made an outstanding contribution to the academic, social and/or sporting life of the BBSC community.

General
To qualify for a scholarship bursary in sections 5 to 9, a candidate student must also have met:

- The BBSC Code of Behaviour (as documented in OneSchool reports).
- The BBSC Dress Code.
- Demonstrated school attendance at or above the expectation of 90% attendance.

Each year, by a motion passed at a properly convened meeting of the P&C, and in accordance with the P & C Constitution, the P & C will decide:

- The number of scholarship bursaries to be granted.
- The categories in which the scholarship bursaries are to be granted.
- The dollar amount of each scholarship bursaries to be granted.

Wellbeing Update – Senior
Term 3 has been very busy so far for years 10, 11 and 12 in the senior cohort of our College.

Year 12s finished their last full term of schooling, what an exciting part of their lives! These students have just finished their last exam block at BBSC and can now enjoy the holidays. Term 4 of only 7 weeks for year 12 students will fly by.

Year 11s recently were lucky enough to have guest speakers from Queensland Fire and Emergency Services present their Road Safety program. This was a 60 minute session with the whole cohort and is designed to inform young people and young drivers about road safety. The operational firefighters who presented the information have hands on experience with road trauma and were able to share their experiences with our BBSC students. The messages of road safety are only too important for all young people to know.

The year 10 students spent 2 days in week 10 completing the Love Bites program. This program is focused around learning about sexual assault and domestic violence. There were lots of activities and scenario based learning for the students to engage in. A big thank you to all the staff who helped out in the facilitation of this program.

We wish all senior students and families a safe and happy holiday.

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

Lions Children of Courage Award
The Lions Children of Courage Awards were first initiated in 1983 to recognise a very special group of young Australians and their families.

There were many awards that recognised the achievements of young people, however children with “special needs” were not catered for.

These awards were especially designed to recognise the courage and bravery shown by these children every day.
Angela Bromley

**GBS Volleyball**

On Saturday the 27th of August BBSC hosted the final GBS tournament of the year, with Volleyball rounding out the season of sport. A fantastic day was had by all students, coaches, managers and parents with the day a great success for the school. A massive congratulations goes out to all students who participated on the day and prior to the day with training sessions and student behaviour. Our senior boys made the final and were unlucky to go down in a thrilling display of skill and determination that made for an entertaining game. Overall our students represented the school with pride and good sportsmanship which was echoed in a lot of positive feedback from other coaches and principals. Unfortunately we were unable to replicate our results from basketball or touch football, finishing 5th in the Volleyball standings and the same for the overall schools points tally. Enough talent was on display this year to suggest that 2017 could be the year of the purple. A big thankyou to all teachers for their help throughout the year with coaching and administrative duties, helping to run a very well structured GBS Competition.

Ben Sanderson

**From the TARDIS**

Greetings all Doctor Who fans. It has been a very busy time in the TARDIS during August with two competitions being conducted by the Library Staff.

Our first competition was on the current series of Doctor Who and we had lots of entries to answer the quiz questions. A few tricky answers kept our quiz organiser on her toes but very impressed with all the entries. A big thank you to those who entered that quiz. We had some very worthy and happy winners who all received some great prizes.

Congratulations to Rhiannon Pope, Eliza Morwood and Joshua Staader, hope you are enjoying your prizes.

Our second quiz was on classic Doctor Who and our quiz organiser was ready to really test our Doctor Who fans’ knowledge. We only had a few entries for this one as I think the quiz organiser really stumped our fans and again we were really impressed with all our entries. It is wonderful to see so much enthusiasm coming from our students.

Congratulations to Sam Walcroft, Keji Mingi, Ryan Huxley, Joshua Staader and Mark Villamayor. Hope you all get a lot of enjoyment from your prizes.

BBSC Perrett

**BBSC Student Takes on the Kokoda Trail**

Good luck and best wishes to year 12 student Indira Waia, who will be travelling to PNG over the September holidays to tackle the Kokoda Trail as part of her Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award scheme.

Sue Trevor

FINANCE NEWS

NEW Finance Office Opening Hours

Monday – Friday
8.00am – 3.00pm

Term 3 is coming to a close. Therefore all Student Resource Scheme fees should be paid in full.

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.

https://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 by students and staff 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 SHOP EXTENDED TRADE – Every school day in Week 9 and 10 Term 4, 2016

- Monday 28/11/16 – Wednesday 7/12/16 – 8.00am to 11.45am
- Tuesday 29/11/16 – 3pm to 6pm
- Tuesday 6/12/16 – 3pm to 6pm

The Uniform shop is closed for stocktake on Thursday the 8th and Friday the 9th of December 2016.
January 2017 Extended Trade

Tuesday 17/1/17 – Wednesday 18/1/17 – 8.00 am to 4.00 pm
Thursday 19/1/17 – Friday 20/1/17 – 9.00 am to 5.00 pm
Monday 23/1/17 – Friday 27/1/17 – 7.30 am to 12.00 noon
Thursday 26/1/17 – Closed due public holiday
Monday 30/1/17 – Standard operating hours commence

NB: the advertised operating hours are subject to change or cancellation if we do not have sufficient volunteers.

Uniform Shop End of Year Special

A free slouch hat worth $30.00 with every order over $150.00. While stock lasts.

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@brisbanebaysidesc.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
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“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

R U OK?

All around Australia, RUOK? Day encourages us to check in with our family and friends to see how they’re doing. A lot of the time it can be really hard to know how someone is feeling and the only way to learn is to ask them. Having this conversation is really important and will help to reduce suicide rates as more and more people going through tough times feel safe to talk about what they’re experiencing. It can be a tricky conversation to have, so find a way that suits you and roll with it.

If your gut says something’s not quite right with someone, chances are that they might need a bit of extra support from the people around them. They might be acting a bit differently, seem to have a lot on their plate, or simply aren’t themselves. Don’t ignore those signs, instead take some time to start a conversation.

Asking this question doesn’t mean you have to have all the answers if the person you’re worried about says “no”. It’s not about being an expert. It’s about following some simple, caring steps. The below isn’t a script – they’re tips to help you ask from the heart.

Getting ready to start a conversation

BE READY

• Are you in a good headspace?
• Are you willing to genuinely listen?
• Can you give as much time as needed?

BE PREPARED

• Do you understand that a difficult conversation might happen and you won’t have the answers?
• Do you understand that talking about personal struggles can be difficult and they might get embarrassed, even angry?

PICK YOUR MOMENT

• Have you chosen somewhere relatively private and comfortable?
• What time will be good for them to chat?
• If they can’t talk when you approach them, ask them for a better time to come back
STEP ONE: ASK R U OK?

- Be relaxed.
- Help them open up by asking questions like "How you going?" or "What’s been happening?" or "How have you been travelling?"
- Mention specific things that have made you concerned for them, like "I’ve noticed that you seem really tired recently" or "You seem less chatty than usual. How are you going?"

DEALING WITH DENIAL

- If they deny the problem, don’t criticise them. Acknowledge they’re not ready to talk.
- Avoid a confrontation.
- Examples of how you could respond to their denial include “It’s ok that you don’t want to talk about it but please call me when you’re ready to chat” or “Is there someone else you’d rather talk to?”
- Tell them you’re still concerned about changes in their behaviour and you care about them.
- Ask if you can enquire again next week if there’s no improvement.

DOES SOMEONE NEED EXPERT HELP?

- If someone says they’re thinking about suicide, it’s important you take it seriously.
- Tell them that you care about them and you want to help. Don’t become agitated, angry or upset.
- Explain that thoughts of suicide are common and don’t have to be acted upon.
- Ask if they’ve begun to take steps to end their life. If they have, it’s very important that you don’t leave them alone and do not use guilt or threats.
- Even if someone says they haven’t made a plan to take their own life, you still need to take it seriously.

For confidential advice and support call a crisis support line – such as Lifeline on 13 11 14 or Suicide Call Back Service on 1300 659 467.


If you think that someone’s life is in immediate danger call 000 (Australia only) and stay with them until help arrives.


Youth Beyond Blue have just released a free, neat little app called Check-in, which gives tips and ideas about how to have those conversations with friends and loved ones when you think they are not doing so well. We can sometimes worry that we will say the wrong thing, but reaching out to others and letting them know you care will be the stronger message they get.

http://www.youthbeyondblue.com

Gabrielle Nolan
Youth Health Nurse

Year Books

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

Who Should I Talk To If…

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