Belmore's Business

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Belmore Boys High Upcoming Events 2017 Term 3		
Event	Date & Time	Location
HSC Trials	14 th – 25 th Aug	School Hall
P&C Meetings	17 th Aug & 14 Sept	Common Room Main Building
Yr 11 Exams	11 th – 14 th Sept	School Hall
Yr 12 Graduation	21 st Sept	School Hall

Principal's Message

Building a generation of informed parents

Our school has been lucky to secure the services of Dr Arne Rubenstein on Thursday 24 August 2017. Dr Rubenstein comes with a wealth of experience in leading adolescent development education. This is a school and community event. The day comprises of focus sessions for students, staff, parents and local community members. Educators from local schools will also be

joining us on the day for some professional learning. Topics revolve around building strong and healthy relationships with children, the impact of technology on today's generation and resilience. Our school is committed to building a connected community where we work closely with our parents and local community on achieving academic and social success for every student. We look forward to seeing our community members on the day, as seats are limited, it is highly recommended that you RSVP with Wafaa on 9758 2800 or on <u>wafaa.el-droubi@det.nsw.edu.au</u> as soon as possible.

Ms Ramadan

Deputy Principals' Message

Tailored learning experiences for students with disabilities

Our school is participating in the Nationally Consistent Data Collection on School Students with Disability which is taking place in schools across Australia this year. The Data Collection will collect information about students with a disability who require support to participate in education on the same basis as other students. The Data Collection aims to provide more accurate and complete information about the number and distribution of Australian school students with disability as well as the adjustments provided to enable them to access education on the same basis as students without disability. Please contact Mr Wehbe on 9758 2800 if you require further information.

Mrs Ellis

Subject Selection Years 8 and 10 will be completing their subject selection process in the coming weeks. BBHS held our annual subject selection evening on Tuesday 8th August. It was great to see so many students and their families take an interest in the learning opportunities on offer here at Belmore. For the minority of students that were unable to attend there will be a short in school presentation prior to individual web-codes being issued. To streamline the process and allow parents opportunity to discuss choices, students will complete the process online at home. Extra support will be provided at school for students that need



assistance. Year 8 will choose two subjects for Stage 5, these are two hundred hour courses and must be completed through years 9 and 10. With over twelve subjects on offer year 8 are being asked to prioritise the first two subjects



and select two reserve subjects in their preference order. Year 10 will be choosing subjects that they will complete for their HSC, English must be selected. Students will need to choose 5 other subjects from over 25 that BBHS offers. A minimum of 12 units must be studied in year 11. There are new options in English Studies and Mathematics Standard 1 which have special requirements. If you are unsure about the details of any of the subjects on offer please refer to the booklet for your stage or see the Head Teacher of that subject area.

Mr Borg

Athletics Carnival



HSC Art 2017





Homeless Community Initiative Program



Congratulations to our year 10 students, Omar Abdallah, Mathiwos Gebremichael, Abdurahman Muzayen, Kiteau Palu and David Phung who were awarded a grant from the LMA for a community based initiative out of multiple schools in our region. They recognised a need in our community which was homeless people were living out in the cold during the winter months.

In their own time these

students created packs so they could distribute to those in need on Tuesday 1st August. In the cold of the night, our students attended the Parramatta Mission carpark which provides meals, warm clothes and blankets for those in need. The boys were engaged with the project and made a fantastic impression to all that attended!



Year 9 NAPLAN results and the HSC minimum standard Message from NESA

HSC minimum standard required to receive the HSC from 2020

Literacy and numeracy skills are the foundation for success in life after school. This is why eligibility for the HSC is changing. From 2020, students will need to show they have the basic literacy and numeracy skills needed to complete everyday tasks.

Your child will have a number of opportunities from Year 9 to Year 12, and even after the HSC to show they meet the HSC minimum standard

Some students will meet the requirement early through their Year 9 NAPLAN results in reading, writing and numeracy. However, most students will show they meet the standard by passing short, online reading, writing and numeracy tests in Years 10, 11 or 12.

Year 9 NAPLAN reports available in mid-August

Your child's Year 9 NAPLAN report will indicate which online HSC minimum standard test/s (if any) they will need to pass to be eligible for the HSC certificate. Remember your child has three more years of learning before the HSC and can take the HSC minimum standard online tests in Years 10, 11 or 12.

Year 9 NAPLAN is a good chance to check they are on track or get support to meet the minimum standard by Year12. If your child has achieved a Band 8 or above in reading, writing or numeracy, the NAPLAN report will indicate that they have "Met the HSC minimum standard early" in the respective area/s.

Your child can sit the online HSC minimum standard tests when they are ready

There are three separate 45 minute online tests: reading, writing and numeracy. Students don't have to pass all three tests at once and can attempt each test up to twice a year.

The reading and numeracy tests each contain a maximum of 45 multiple choice questions.

The writing test will require students to respond to a question about a prompt or stimulus.

You can try some sample reading and numeracy questions at https://hscliteracynumeracy.nesa.nsw.edu.au/

For more information visit www.educationstandards.nsw.edu.au

AN IMPORTANT HEALTH ANNOUNCEMENT FOR ALL BBHS STUDENTS

Dear Parent / Carer,

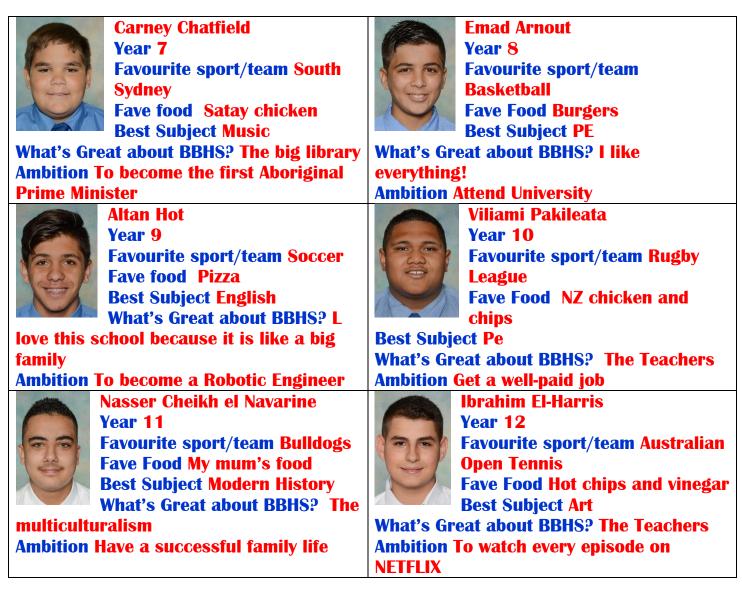
I am writing to inform you that we have had one (1) confirmed case of whooping cough (pertussis) at the school.

The following health information for parents about whooping cough is published by NSW Health. If your son experiences any of the symptoms described below please **keep him home from school and seek a diagnosis with your doctor.** If your doctor diagnoses whooping cough please call the school and let us know. While whooping cough can be treated with antibiotics, it is also easily spread and poses a risk to babies, the elderly and people with reduced immunity.

You can access NSW Health's information and resources about whooping cough at: http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/whoopingcough/Pages/information-for-childcare-and-schools.aspx

Ms Ramadan

Student Profiles



PBL- Please discuss with your child/ren our focus on Positive Behaviour and Learning



The focus for PBL this term was responsible, respectful and safe behaviour while on public transport.

PBL Award Winners this term. Mahin Rashid,

Toufic Hoblos, Mithas Rajbhandari, Ahmad Assafiri, Ahmed Abdalhamed, Ibrahim Daoudoon, Abdul Malik, Mohamad Fatrouni,

