



BROADFORD SECONDARY COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

No 8

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COMING EVENTS

June

Thursday 1st
VCE PE Excursion

Friday 2nd
Pupil Free Day

SR X-Country (Yea)

Tuesday 6th
Yr 9 Outdoor Ed
Excursion

Wednesday 7th
Yr 10 PE Excursion

Project Ready Excursion

Monday 12th
King's Birthday Public
Holiday

Vietnam Trip Depart

Tues13th - Fri 16th
Yr 10 Exams

Thursday 15th
Wellbeing Excursion

Friday 16th

Hume X-Country

Friday 23rd

Vietnam Trip Returns

Last Day Of Term 2.30pm
dismissal

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

As winter approaches and the cooler weather sets in, it is important to remember to use prevention measures to keep our school community well. Please encourage your child/ren to wash hands regularly, particularly before eating; avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands; cover nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing; and stay home if unwell.

Communication between families and schools is always in the best interest of student well-being and learning. If you are calling or emailing the school, you can expect to have a reply from staff within 2 business days. In some instances, this reply may just be letting you know that your correspondence has been received and more time is needed to investigate an incident. If this is not occurring, please contact either the Junior School Manager (Nick Egan), Senior School Manager (Melissa Loterzo), Assistant Principals, or myself. Staff too are entitled to their family time, and I would not expect them to be answering emails late at night or on weekends. The best results always come from respectful correspondence between parties.

If students need to leave early for medical or other appointments, I ask that parents please come into the General Office to sign their child out. Students are not able to sign themselves out using the Compass Kiosk. I thank you for your support with this.

Again, I remind all families that 'All Things Uniform' has a variety of warm uniform items for sale, including puffer jackets. There should be no hoodies or beanies other than BSC Uniform beanies. Leggings and grey tracksuit pants are not part of our school uniform. If a student is out of uniform for any reason, they must bring a note and obtain a uniform pass from the Senior School Office (S5) at the beginning of the day.

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Principal: Ms Tania Pearson

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT CONTINUED

Congratulations to Jaymee Egan-Ford who is our new Year 8 Coordinator. Our current Year 8 Coordinator, Trevor Nye will be moving into the Year 11 position in preparation to take over as Year 11 Coordinator when Ms Beggs commences family leave in late July.

Our tennis courts are looking amazing and are finished. Students will be able to play tennis, basketball, netball, or volleyball during break times on these new courts.

Finally, I would like to remind parents that Friday 2nd June 2023 is a pupil-free day, no students are expected at school on this day. All staff will be off-site, including the office staff so phone calls and emails will not be responded to on this day.

Principal

Tania Pearson

ATTENDANCE

If you require your student to depart school early can you please provide a signed note that they can hand to their teacher to enable them to leave the classroom and make their way to the General Office.

Parents are asked to collect their student from the General office and sign them out via the Compass Kiosk.

Can parents ensure that all attendance be added to Compass as soon as practically possible.

Late arrivals need to enter via the General office and sign themselves in on the Compass Kiosk, we ask that you provide a written note to explain why your student is late.

All Notes and Medical Certificates should be handed to the Attendance officer in the General Office.

CSEF APPLICATIONS

Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) is available to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible. The annual amount is \$225 for secondary students.

Eligibility date is 30th January 2023.

Parent Applications **closing date is 23 June 2023**. Contact the General Office or download a form from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Please phone the General office if you have any queries.

Jigsaw Cultural Expo 2023!

To the community, our Year 8 students have been learning about culture for this Term's unit and will be displaying their current assessment task on Friday the 16th of June, between 2pm – 3pm in the Forum.

Students have recently selected their cultures that they will be researching, and will be spending the next two weeks compiling their PowerPoints and organising their displays for the expo.

Feel free to come along and engage the students in their work and view some interesting/creative displays that the students will be working towards presenting over the next few weeks.

Hope to see you there!

Year 8 Jigsaw Team

Homework Club

**Do you need to complete work for your classes?
Would you like help from an available teacher?**

Why not consider attending Homework Club!

**When: Mondays Lunchtime 1:15pm – 2:00pm
Mondays After School 3:30pm – 4:30pm (with Ms Reid)**

Where: Library (no school bags or food)

Contact Mrs Beedall if you have any questions.

LIBRARY NEWS

Education Week – Harry Potter in the Library

The library was fortunate to host the livestreamed Education Week event *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child – Behind the Curtain: Education Livestream*, which the 2023 BSC production cast and crew attended.

The streamed rehearsal began with an Acknowledgement of Country from Michael Bani (Sorting Hat, Bane) and then moved through a movement rehearsal with John Shearman (Australian Associate Movement Director) and a text-based rehearsal with David Spencer (Resident Director) and selected cast members. Their wonderful technical departments then gave us a



brief display of the technical elements of the play which culminated in a performance of ‘Wand Dance’ by the cast. The streamed rehearsal was followed by a live Q&A, in which students were able to ask questions. The Host/Q&A Facilitator was Jessica Vickers (Delphi Diggory) and the Q&A Panel consisted of Anna Francesca Armenia (Rose Granger Weasley, Young Hermione), Michael Bani (Sorting Hat, Bane), Hannah Fredericksen (Moaning Myrtle, Polly Chapman, Fleur, Lily Potter Sr), Rebecca Rees (Stage Manager) and Ben Walter (Albus Potter).

The recorded livestream is still available on YouTube if you are interested in watching it.

Livestream Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1lun4KOD0tE>

Book Launch

We have our *Book Launch on Monday 5th June during the long lunch. YAY!!*

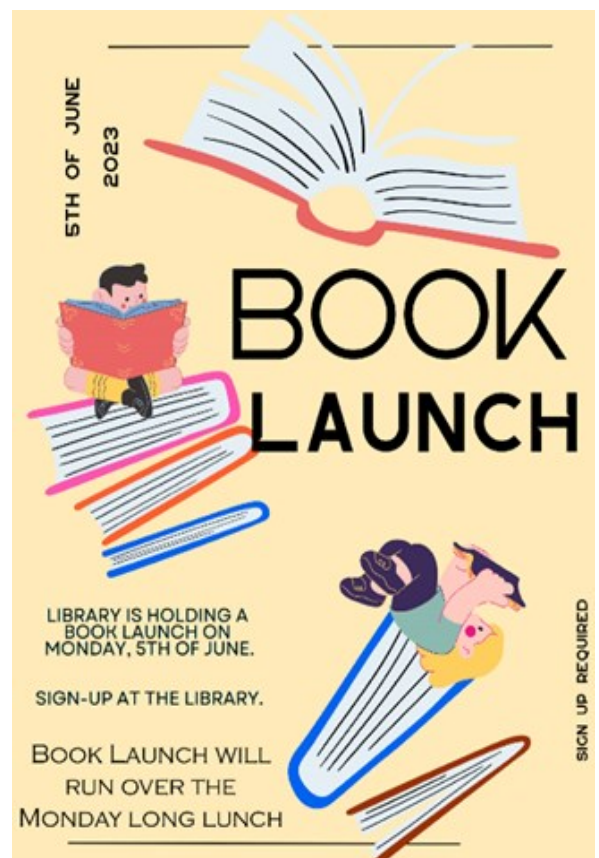
There will be new books, suggested books, and continuation of our current series.

Sign-up finishes Thursday 1st June, ask the Librarians when you are in the library next.

Chromebooks

We have added to our Chromebook collection and colour coordinated them, so I thought that I would add a photo so that you are not confused the next time that you visit the library. Thank you, Raelene, for your work with organising the tubs!

See you in the library. Ms. Slater



VET NEWS-Cert II in Active Volunteering

On May 10th the students studying Cert II in Active Volunteering attended Careers Day Out excursion held in Shepparton.

The excursion provided students with the opportunity to discover the diverse range of careers, education, pathways and employment available across the region.

At Careers Day Out students had the opportunity to converse with industry leaders and get the information they need. Curated "hubs" and areas were dedicated to certain types of careers and industries. Meaning that students could really explore the variety of job opportunities available under certain banners and expand their understanding of the workplace. The event hosted a range of workshops, demos and talks to provide students with the opportunity to engage and interact with local businesses and trades to see what the workplace is all about.



Golf Tournament

On the 15th of May, Mr Hughes and Mr. Egan took students out to battle it out in the next round of the Hume region Golf tournament. It was a great day with fantastic weather in sunny Shepparton. All the boys also had a great day on the links, with news to come shortly on who qualifies for the next round in Gardiners Run Golf Course, Lilydale.



Final Scores 'off the stick' were

- Jackson Paros 116
- Ben Rask 112
- William Hastie 108
- Matthew Whitfield with a cracking 80.

And a big thank you to Mr. Watts for organising a great day.

Lockers

All students are allocated a locker when they begin at Broadford Secondary College. Students are also allocated a combination padlock to use during their time at the College. If by chance the lock will not open due to mechanical error we will replace it with another lock, but any lock that is damaged due to misuse or misadventure or is lost by the student will incur a \$15 replacement fee.

Students are also expected to remain in their allocated locker within their House area.

Student Locker locations are also rotated on a yearly basis.



Japanese sister school visit.

After a pause of 3 years, visitors from our sister school in Japan – Katsuta High School will be coming back to BSC in term 3. This will be the 29th year of our sister school relationship so it will be great to welcome them back.

What does a sister school visit involve?

20 students and 2 staff from Katsuta will visit us for 4 nights. **They arrive Saturday 29th July and will depart Wednesday morning on August 2nd.** The students range from year 9 to year 11. They will stay with host families in our school community for the 4 nights. They spend the weekend with the host family and come into school on Monday and Tuesday to take part in activities with BSC students.

What does a host family have to do?

You need to be able to provide accommodation for a Japanese student for 4 nights.

If you would like to host a Japanese student (or students) we ask you to have a current Working with Children Check. I will be asking for expressions of interest in upcoming newsletters and can assist anyone who needs help with this.

We will have profiles of all the students, so we can find out about dietary needs (or just what they like or don't like eating) as well as any necessary medical information, their hobbies and interests.

The students are here to practice their English. Though they may seem shy at first, they quickly develop in confidence as they get to practice their conversation skills with you.

You don't need to plan activities and trips. They are here to experience life with an Australian family – so your usual weekend activities are all fine. Supermarket shopping, weekend sports and activities at home are all part of the experience.

Some updates:

Over the next few weeks I will be holding some lunch time meetings for students who would like to find out more information about what is involved. Students and families are also welcome to email me at school. I will be handing out expression of interest forms for students to take home. I can also email these to interested families if that is easier.

If you have decided that you would be interested in hosting students this year, you can also express your interest in the google form link below, so that we can get the process started.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdQBj3khGjVaQZCFzKDONGmTN-8Msvb_eAYr6V2c2kL5v3nJg/viewform?usp=sf_link

If you would like to find out more about offering to be a host family, please don't hesitate to contact me at school via phone or email:

Stephanie.Paton@education.vic.gov.au

Thanks for your support of our Japanese program

Stephanie Paton

Japanese teacher

V/line News

Reduced public transport fares for regional Victoria

On Friday 31 March 2023, the Department of Transport and Planning introduced lower regional public transport fares across Victoria, including on V/Line, local trains, buses and trams.

This means that weekday travel is capped at a daily fare of \$9.20 or \$4.60 for concession. For shorter regional trips, fares cost less. The daily fare to travel on Victoria's regional network on weekends and public holidays is now capped at \$6.70 or \$3.35 for concession. For more information, refer to the Public Transport Victoria website.

CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE

The conveyance allowance is a form of financial assistance to help families in rural and regional Victoria with the cost of transporting their children to their nearest appropriate school/campus. The conveyance allowance is available to eligible students travelling by public transport, private car and private bus. The conveyance allowance is also available to eligible students whose nearest school is not serviced by a free school bus.

Eligibility criteria:

The eligibility criteria varies depending on the type of school attended and where it is located.

Students attending a government or non-government school must:

- Attend their nearest government or non-government school/campus appropriate to their year level at which admission is permissible
- be enrolled at a school/campus outside Melbourne's metropolitan conveyance boundary
- reside 4.8km or more by the shortest practicable route from that school/campus attended
- be of school age (5 to 18 years old at time of application) and reside in Victoria.

Closing Dates: Term 1 – 17 March 2023

Term 2 – 02 June 2023

Term 3 – 25 August 2023

Term 4 – 24 November 2023

HOW TO ACCESS PAT SCORES IN Compass Analytics

Twice a year, students in years 7 to 10, complete the Maths and Reading Progress Achievement Tests (PAT).

These tests allow teachers to identify student's strengths, and areas for improvement at the time of testing. Most importantly, they help track students' growth over time and allow students, parents, and teachers, the opportunity to reflect on achievements.

Each semester, students should aim to improve their PAT result by approximately 3 points.

These tests are just one way we measure progress. We also use classwork, SACs, NAPLAN, progress reports etc.

Please contact your child's English and Math teacher for more information.

Year Level	Average score for Maths	Average score for Reading
5	124	125
6	127	129
7	130	131
8	133	135
9	136	138
10	139	144
10+	Above 145	Above 150

1) SELECT THE ANALYTICS TAB

The screenshot shows the Compass Analytics interface. The navigation menu at the top includes Dashboard, Schedule, Learning Tasks, Attendance, Reports, and Analytics. The Analytics tab is circled in red. Below the navigation menu, there is a 'Student:' section with a dropdown menu and a 'Student Chronicle' button.

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3) THE RESULTS WILL BE DISPLAYED

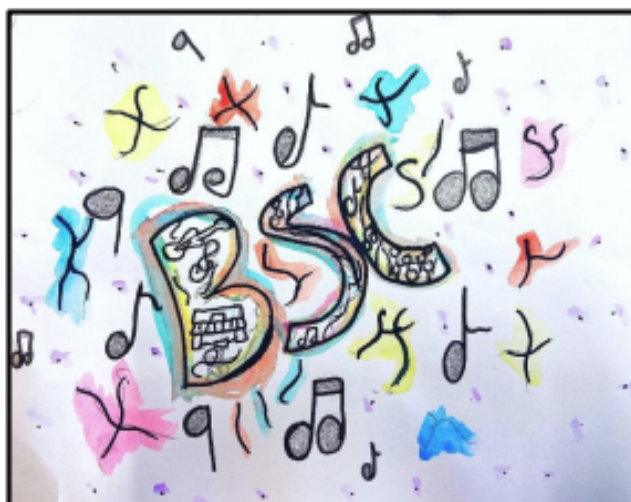
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Measure	2023 Acer PAT Adaptive - Reading	2023 Acer PAT Adaptive - Mathematics
Band		
Scale score	128.7	137.5

YOU MAY NEED TO SCROLL ACROSS TO SEE PAST RESULTS.

Broadford Secondary College

Choir!



Broadford Secondary Choir is starting up with Will Thompson and Felicity Hall-Bowden (Ms. HB).

Choir will run at The Forum **each Thursday from 1:40 – 2pm.**

We are aiming to perform at assemblies, school events, and in the yard.

Scan the QR code below to sign up!



Or feel free to drop in 😊



We're looking for passionate young leaders aged 12-24 to join Mitchell Youth Council!

As a Youth Councillor you will have the opportunity to develop leadership skills through professional training, have your voice heard on council strategies and deliver projects and initiatives for the community that you are passionate about!

Apply online at
www.mitchellshire.vic.gov.au/youthcouncil

Applications close
9am, Friday 16 June 2023



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