



BROADFORD SECONDARY COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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COMING EVENTS

June

Monday 12th

King's Birthday Public
Holiday

Vietnam Trip Departs

Tues 13th - Fri 16th

Yr 10 Exams

Wednesday 14th

Top Arts Excursion

Thursday 15th

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Wellbeing Excursion

Friday 16th

Jigsaw Cultural Expo

Hume X-Country

Tuesday 20th

Community Pride Awards

Wednesday 21st

STEM Incursion

Friday 23rd

Vietnam Trip Returns

Last Day Of Term 2.30pm
dismissal

Monday 10th July

Pupil Free Day

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

I am extremely excited to announce that Broadford Secondary College, in conjunction with Rubicon Outdoor Education Centre, has been nominated for a 2023 Victorian Education Excellence Award in the category of Team Award – Outstanding Koorie Education. Winners will be announced later in the year. This is a huge honour just to be nominated and I congratulate all staff and students who have contributed to supporting Koorie Education at Broadford Secondary College.

Over the next two weeks myself, Mr. Boland, Ms Hubbard and Mr. Reid will escort 23 students on the International Tour to Vietnam. We will keep you all updated on our adventures through the school's Facebook page. During this time Cathy Coppinger will be Acting Principal.

Congratulations to Mr. Trevor Nye, this month's staff member of the month. Mr Nye has been very generously supporting the fundraising efforts of Blake Inness, by supplying and selling Ice-cream to staff and students. Blake has been invited to compete in the USA in Cross-Country events and the college is raising funds to support Blake's trip. We are getting closer to our target of \$8000.

If you would like to take part in a survey to help shape the future of education in Australia. Parents and guardians are invited to take part in a survey to help inform the Review to Inform a Better and Fairer Education System. The online survey is an opportunity to help shape the future of education in Australia. It closes on Friday 23 June 2023. The survey is open to anyone who cares for a school-aged child and makes decisions about their education. Students aged under 18 years can also take part but require consent from a parent or guardian to do so. The expert panel for the review will use the results to inform recommendations for the final report to all education ministers, by 31 October 2023. The final report will advise education ministers on what targets and reforms should be included in the next National School Reform Agreement. The Social Research Centre is conducting the survey. For more information on the survey, refer to the parents/guardians survey on the Australian Government Department of Education website.

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT CONTINUED

I hope you all enjoy the upcoming long weekend celebrating the King's Birthday. School resumes on Tuesday 13th June. End of term two finishes on Friday 23rd June at 2:30 pm. Term 3 commences Tuesday 11th July. As this is the last Principal's report from me for the term, I would like to wish all staff and students a relaxing and enjoyable break.

Tania Pearson
Principal

A message from Mr Willison

We're on the march toward wrapping up this term, and I hope this newsletter finds everybody well. As we navigate the challenges and changes, I want to update the school community on important matters related to student wellbeing and engagement.

We are pleased to share that our students have shown a remarkable commitment to their education, with an average explained attendance rate of 95%. This is a testament to their resilience and the dedicated efforts of our wellbeing team. Despite the disruptions in recent years with education, we have seen a positive rebound in attendance, and students have maintained strong connections with their learning community. We greatly appreciate the support of our families in ensuring regular attendance, as it plays a crucial role in academic progress and social connectedness.

Finally, I wanted to announce some recent changes in our Year Level Coordinator team in the Junior School.

We extend our appreciation to Yasmin Correnti, our previous Year 7 Coordinator, who has moved on to a new school, and we welcome Kylie Lindstrom as her replacement. Additionally, Mr Nye, who previously served as the Year 8 coordinator, has taken on a new role as the Year 11 coordinator, working alongside Ms Beggs, who is preparing for a leave of absence. In addition, Miss Egan-Ford has joined us as the new Year 8 coordinator. Lastly, we thank Miss Hoey for her work as the Year 9 coordinator for her contributions and welcome Mr Reid, who will be stepping into the 9 Coordinator position. This Junior Team is committed to maintaining strong connections with students and tackling important issues, such as addressing reports of bullying and minimising disruptions to teaching and learning.

Thank you

LIBRARY NEWS

Book Launch

On Monday 5th June, the library hosted the Book Launch which was well attended by students who were eager to explore our range of new books.



Several of the genres were very popular, with many of the new books purchased due to the requests of attending students.



Librarians were very happy to see the bags full of books.

VM students prepared a delicious lunch/afternoon tea for students attending the book launch, which they devoured with gusto.



See you in the library.
Ms. Slater

School-Wide Positive Behaviour

We are excited to share a significant update regarding our School-Wide Positive Behaviour Supports (SWPBS) program at Broadford Secondary College. Over the holiday break, we successfully transitioned from using Demerits to implementing Minor and Major Behaviour Referrals on COMPASS, our student management platform.

By shifting away from negatively framed language, we are committed to creating a supportive and conducive learning environment for all our students. However, it's important to note that the consequences for "demerit-type" behaviours remain unchanged - the only difference lies in the terminology we now use.

We want to clarify that the policy governing "Phone Demerits" remains in place and is unaffected by this transition.



Well done to Tyler Galloway on achieving his 50 games for Broadford Football club. He played well on a wet and miserable day, unfortunately the team lost, but there was a wonderful team atmosphere to mark Tyler's dedication to his favourite game.

Hume Region State Softball Championships

On Thursday, May 25th, our senior girls embarked on a journey to Waverly for the highly anticipated Hume Region State Softball Championships. With a mix of excitement and nerves, the girls braced themselves for the challenge ahead, especially considering that many of them were new to the sport. Thanks to dedicated luntime training sessions with Mr Stradella, their coach, the girls were well-prepared for their first game against St. Albans. In a display of determination and teamwork, our girls clinched their first victory, making a significant milestone in their softball journey.



Plain English Speaking Competition

On Wednesday the 17th of May, two students Harry Anderson and I took part in an event called the Plain-English-Speaking Competition at St Monica's College in Epping. Harry and I had been approached some time before the event and asked if we would be willing to represent the school. We were told we would be giving a speech of our choice in front of a panel of judges. Harry and I agreed and began writing our speeches. Harry's Speech was on "Being Altruistic" and my speech was on "Lowering the Voting Age". Both of us delivered our speech extremely well and impressed the Judges. Next we were given topics and told to prepare a 3 minute impromptu speech. Sadly, the other schools we competed against all presented their speeches extremely well. When it came down to judging whilst it was extremely close Harry and I missed out on getting through to the next round. Whilst we were disappointed that we hadn't won we were both extremely happy that we had participated. We had both enjoyed the whole event and were glad we'd been able to make a few new friends whilst we were there.

Liam Russell.



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.

[Japanese sister school visit.](#)

Thanks to all the families in the BSC community who have expressed interest in hosting Japanese students in term 3. We are still seeking host families for a few more students. If you are interested in finding out more, please find details below and feel free to contact the school for more information.

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.

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/1FAIpQLSd0Bj3khGjVaQZCFzKDONGmTN-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

Photo -

Staff from our sister school –
Katsuta High School in Japan.

Principal Yoshikawa, Mr Otta, Ms
Nogami



OAC group will be running a meeting on Monday 19th during lunch.



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

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.

RESET

The RESET students have been involved in so many different educational experiences throughout the term. The highlights for this teacher have been the weekly cooking classes. Students have all been actively engaged in preparing and cooking delicious homecooked meals. They have made baked potatoes and T-bone steaks, sushi, chicken parmers with scallop potatoes, broccoli and cauliflower rice with chicken, brownies and pizza's. The Crew has also been working on creating a personal poster where they have shown their hobbies and drawing skills. The RESET students are enjoying being at school and working as a team. Very happy to be their teacher for some of their sessions.





Scan the QR code to
load the website



29 MAY – 25 AUGUST 2023

Calling all high school students!

Enter our competition for a chance to win a share of \$13,200 in prizes and learn more about the value of tax and super.

Want to enter?

Unleash your creativity and tell us about tax and super in a fun and creative way. You can start working on your entry right away, either individually or as part of a team.

Entry topics for 2023

Junior (Year 7–9): How do tax and super help me and my community?

Senior (Year 10–12): What are the most important things you need to know about tax and super to be work ready?

**Write it!
Make it!
Film it!**

There are heaps of fun ways to enter, including:
short stories • poems • scripts • case studies
artworks • comic strips • songs • videos • animations
skits • music clips • prototypes of apps or games



Australian Government
Australian Taxation Office

taxsuperandyou.gov.au/competition

Terms and conditions apply.



Creating My Footprint

Tuesday, 25th July
10:00am to 6:00pm

Students in Year 9 and 10 will have mandatory
course counselling sessions on this day.

Appointments are available through Compass

Year 9 Subject Selection Form -

<https://forms.gle/hwmbM9Q2aV6JtkePA>

Year 9 Early Entry Form (VET & VCE) -

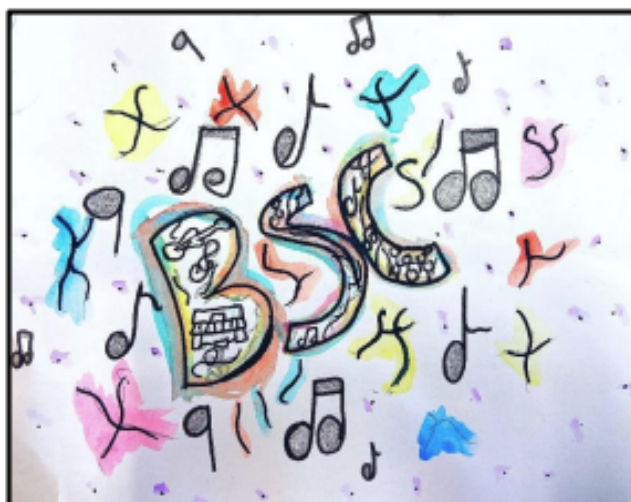
<https://forms.gle/m8NFzDxWWpFLdA3y6>

Year 10 Subject Selection Form -

<https://forms.gle/7BU4RoGun4SnuU2X9>

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 😊