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BROADFORD SECONDARY COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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UPCOMING EVENTS AND DATES TO REMEMBER

AUGUST

Friday 22nd

Common Curriculum Day

Monday 25th

Round Robin Sports

Wednesday 27th

Production Excursion

Friday 29th

Book Week Dress Up Day
Out Of Uniform - Book Theme

SEPTEMBER

Monday 1st

House Talent Show

Thursday 4th

Southern Ranges Athletics

Friday 5th

Year 8 Broadlands Stalls

Year 12 PD&T Ikea Excursion

Monday 8th

Fraser House Charity Day

Make Bullying History Program Yr 7-9

Wednesday 10th

Yr 11 Geography Melbourne Zoo
Excursion

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Earlier this week BSC hosted the Career Start program for teachers new to the profession. It was wonderful to be able to showcase our wonderful school to teachers from schools within our network and beyond. The program aims to support graduate teachers by visiting other schools to learn how different schools function. The feedback, after visiting many classes, was very positive and useful.

Expressions of Interest for the 2026 tour to Italy have now closed. There has been a large uptake of interest, and all students have been requested to submit a written application, their Compass Chronicles will be checked, and they will then be invited to an interview to determine their suitability to join the tour. Staff selection is also currently underway, where staff are also required to write an application and sit an interview.

Last week we said goodbye to Lyndal Brown, one of our Education Support Disability Inclusion staff members. Belinda Collins will move into this role in Term 4. We also welcome Rachael O'Dowd to the leadership team, as a Learning Specialist – Professional Practice. Rachael will be supporting teachers in their classrooms to perfect their craft. Nick Egan returns from leave, and I thank Gerard Huges who stepped into the role of Acting Senior School Manager during this time. We also welcome Josie Curavic back from leave.

Last week we celebrated Science week, where students could participate in some fun Science activities during lunchtime. The front page of the North Central Review shows a great photo of teacher Haytham Alloul and students doing a science experiment.

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT CONTINUED

Thank you to Lisa Reed and her team for another successful school production. This year the students performed 'Alice in Wonderland'. It was obvious they enjoyed the experience. Thank you to parents who supported the event.

This week is book week, the college plans to celebrate with a dress up day next week Friday. I encourage all students to dress up as their favourite book character. The theme for 2025, is Adventure.

A friendly reminder that the school will be closed tomorrow, so that all staff can attend a Common Curriculum Day with other staff from schools within our Network. Buses will not run for Broadford Secondary Students or Broadford Primary School students. I suggest our students utilise this day to catch up on any outstanding work or to revise work in preparation for upcoming exams.

Good luck to those students competing in the Round Robin sports on Monday.

Tania Pearson
Principal

Fathers Day

Come join us in the foods room on Wednesday 3rd September at 7.30am to celebrate Fathers Day and pay tribute to the father figures in our students life.

We will be providing a sausage sizzle, coffee and donuts from 7.30 to 8.30.
No RSVP required. Hope to see you there.



NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK

national science week

9 - 17 AUGUST 2025 - AUSTRALIA WIDE

With "Decoding the Universe" as this year's theme for Science Week, many students got involved with our week of activities. There were lots of entries in daily bulletin quiz questions. Our lunchtime activities included a fish dissection, a bouncing balls experiment, a general Science knowledge Kahoot, making a rainbow in a test tube and modelling a neuron with candy.



Thank you to all the participants, quiz question winners, lab manager Jodie Halton and our Science staff!

Mrs J. Campbell, Science KLA Leader

Five Minutes With Miss Majerczak



How long have you worked at BSC?

This is my fifth year teaching at Broadford Secondary College.

What is your role at the school?

I'm an English teacher and the Year 7 Coordinator.

What is the most rewarding part of your job?

Seeing those lightbulb moments when something clicks for a student, especially when they've been working hard.

What is your ideal way to unwind and relax?

Most of the time, I'm either reading or spending time with friends and family.

What's your most fond childhood memory?

My cousins had the most epic cubby house—with a huge slide—and we'd spend hours outside playing in it. I remember it being 3 stories tall, but the photos now suggest my childhood imagination may have added a few levels!

What skill would you like to master?

Being able to pack efficiently for any trip—no overpacking, no forgetting anything, just organised perfection.

If you could only eat one meal for the rest of your life, what would it be?

Tough call, there are so many types of pasta, it feels like cheating to pick just one. But if I had to be specific, I'd go with a good vodka pasta

When you were little what did you aspire to be?

On my very first day of prep, I decided I was going to be a school teacher (and I never really let go of that dream).

What was your favourite subject at school?

Definitely English. I was a bit of a book nerd and loved getting lost in stories and writing my own.

How many languages do you speak?

Just English. Despite my best efforts, I never quite mastered Italian in school.

What book/tv series/podcasts are you into at the moment?

Right now, I'm binge-watching The Rookie. I'm completely hooked!

What is your favourite sport to watch or play?

I grew up dancing, but I love watching the footy (Go Pies!)

Do you play a musical instrument? If so, which one?

Only if you count a very questionable version of Hot Cross Buns on the keyboard!

What would you sing at karaoke night?

What About Me by Shannon Noll—and I wouldn't just sing it, I'd give it everything I've got.

If you could choose to be anything for a day, what would it be?

My spoilt dog Zeus. A whole day of napping, snacks, and attention? Yes, please.

What's your favourite holiday destination?

My family camps in Bright most years. We spend the day by the river, and nights usually turn into intense (and very competitive) games of Monopoly Go! around the campfire with all the cousins.

If you were a superhero, what powers would you have?

Superhuman strength (mainly so I can finally open stubborn pickle jars on my own).

Who would you want to play you in a movie of your life?

Emma Stone—she's funny and a little bit awkward.

Do you collect anything?

I collect postcards and magnets when I travel.

Well Done Josh



Bronze Medal for Josh Kennedy at Presidents Cup

Broadford Secondary's own Josh Kennedy has made the school and community proud with a brilliant performance at the Taekwondo Presidents Cup on the Gold Coast.

Josh fought with determination and skill, defeating Tahiti in the Quarter Finals to secure his spot in the Semi Finals. There, he met a strong opponent from Mongolia in a thrilling match.

Josh's efforts earned him a Bronze Medal for 3rd Place at this prestigious international event.

This achievement is a testament to his dedication, discipline, and commitment to excellence in Taekwondo. Competing at this level and coming away with a medal is an incredible accomplishment and one that inspires both his peers and the wider community.

Congratulations, Josh, on your success, you've made us all proud!

LIBRARY NEWS

Book Week 2025 - "Book an Adventure"

The library will celebrate Book Week during Week 6 of this term.

Book Week Schedule:

- Monday 25th August:** Adventure Escape Room (*during double lunch break*)
Tuesday 26th August: Book title scavenger hunt (*2nd lunch break*)
Wednesday 27th August: Big Games Adventure (*2nd lunch break*)
Thursday 28th August: Staff member doppelganger game (*2nd lunch break*)
Friday 29th August: Book Week Dress-up. (*Group photo in front of library during RECESS and photo booth & live music in library during both lunch breaks*)

Book Week = Favourite Book Cover Competition

During Book Week we will be running a Favourite Book Cover Competition, entry forms will be available from the library, Monday 25th August. You need to match the staff member to the Book Covers displayed on the library's external windows.

The most correct answer will win a prize....

Book Week Dress-Up Day



Do you have your costume ready?

Get together with friends and dress up as a group



Dress Up Day is Friday 29th August

LIBRARY NEWS

Latest eBook releases for August



Karaoke

IN THE FORUM

8TH SEPT

DURING LONG LUNCH

FUNDRAISER FOR LOVE IN ACTION

50C ENTRY

Year 12 in their final rounds....



“Love in action” out of uniform day - Students in year 12 Mathematical Methods class on the 18 August 2025

The Year 12 students are working diligently as they approach the final stage of their schooling. They have been focused on completing the coursework, balancing revision with new learning in preparation for their exams. Teachers have noticed a stronger sense of responsibility and commitment among the cohort. Many students are making effective use of study timetables and support sessions. Group study and peer learning have also become more common across subjects. The students are showing resilience despite the pressure of deadlines and assessments. They are actively seeking feedback from teachers to improve their performance. Participation in practice exams has been high, and students are using results to identify areas of growth. Their positive attitude reflects a determination to achieve their best outcomes. Overall, the Year 12 group is demonstrating maturity and perseverance. Their hard work at this stage reflects their dedication. With continued effort, they are on track to finish their schooling with confidence and success.

Fraser House Fundraiser

On Monday 18th August, Fraser House held an out of uniform day to support local charity 'Love in Action'.

Students were asked to wear something pink and to donate a gold coin or a non-perishable food item.

We are please to announce that we raised \$ 386.65 and the food hampers in the front office are full.



Become A Host Family



Become a
Host Family!
Make lifelong connections

Mitchell Honbetsu Sister City Association is a local community group looking for new host families living in Mitchell Shire.

Students will be vising from Honbetsu, Japan.

**September, 2025
(4 nights)**

If you are interested in hosting, contact us today!
mitchell.honbetsu@gmail.com

Adults must have, or be willing to obtain a Working with Children's Check (volunteer).



BROADFORD SC

SURF CAMP

2025

**YEAR 8
STUDENTS**



Camp Wyuna

71 Flinders Street,
Queenscliff



Activities include:

- ✓ Surfing
- ✓ Stand-Up paddleboarding
- ✓ Beach games



To secure your child's place on the camp please complete the Expression of Interest and pay the **\$50 non-refundable deposit.**



DECEMBER

8TH - 10TH

**Expression of interest due
26th August**

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.

Please follow the link:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/PAL/conveyance-allowance-form-1-car-private-travel.docx>

Closing Dates:

Claim period	Claim submission closing date	Estimated pay run date
Term 3	28 August 2025	12 September 2025
Term 4	21 November 2025	5 December 2025



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SCHOOL-WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS

LEARNING AREAS OUT IN THE YARD IN THE COMMUNITY ALL SETTINGS DIGITAL SPACE

- Be on time for class with your equipment
- Do your best work and take pride in your work
- Be prepared to have a go

BRING YOUR BEST

- Being responsible for the school environment
- Be inclusive of others
- Going to class when the bell sounds

- Represent the school with pride
- Offering to help members of our community

- Wear uniform with pride
- Model the school values
- Call out poor behaviour

- Use the internet as a learning resource
- Submitting work via Compass by the due date
- Having our devices charged and ready each day

- Be safe when moving around the class
- Use furniture correctly

BE SAFE

- Play safely with others
- Play games in appropriate spaces
- Remain on the school grounds

- Listen to trusted adults
- Be aware around roads and public transport

- Be mindful of ourselves and our surroundings
- Follow and observe the school rules
- Report bullying to teachers

- Informing a trusted adult if we have trouble online
- Keep passwords secure

- Follow teacher's instructions
- Respecting the learning space
- Respect others right to learn

BE RESPECTFUL

- Showing friendly attitudes toward others
- Standing up for others

- Be mindful of the needs of people in the community
- Use appropriate language on public transport
- Respect the law

- Address everybody with respect
- Use respectful language
- Being respectful of others right to learn

- Take care of devices
- Report cyber-bullying to an adult
- Make positive contributions about others