

School News

PERSEVERANCE & INTEGRITY

Year 11 orientation day offers WACE insight, wellbeing tips and a cohort reconnection

MEAGAN BONNER | Year 11 Leader

Recently our Year 11 students engaged in a comprehensive day of induction activities aimed at improving their understanding of WACE requirements and cultivating strategies to optimize their physical health and wellbeing. The morning was dedicated to exploring school-based curriculum requirements for their chosen ATAR, General, or VET pathways.

Students enjoyed organised activities at the Broome Recreation and Aquatic Centre (BRAC) including wellbeing sessions, where students participated in yoga, team building games and an insightful exploration of the 'Healthy Mind Platter.'

As the day unfolded, a sense of camaraderie flourished concluding with a BBQ and a refreshing swim, which provided a perfect opportunity to relax and reconnect as a cohort.

Thank you to all the staff who supported this event.



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Principal's Pen

Ngaji Gurrjin



I'm excited to share that we've had an exceptional start to the 2024 school year. Our Year 7 students have transitioned smoothly into high school life, diving into their timetabled classes after enjoying orientation activities during their first two days of school this term.

A huge thanks goes to our cluster schools—Broome Primary School, Cable Beach Primary School, Broome North Primary School, and Roebuck Primary School—for their outstanding preparation of these Year 7 students.

Our Broome cluster schools provide quality education from Kindergarten to Year 12, emphasising quality face-to-face teaching. We take pride in being five schools united as one community. Our student enrolments continue to grow, strengthening Broome Senior High School's ability to offer a diverse curriculum, targeted learning initiatives and abundant extracurricular opportunities.

I want to stress how vital the role is that parents play in their child's education. We urge everyone to connect with our staff, participate in school activities and consider joining the P&C or School Board. Broome Senior High School is committed to fostering strong relationships with all families, old and new, to support every student's growth in 2024.

My aim for 2024 is to see every student enrolled at Broome Senior High School pushing their limits and excelling at their highest potential. Rest assured, our dedicated staff are invested to guide each student toward success.

Another reason to be excited about the year ahead is that 2024 marks 30 years since Broome Senior High School officially became a 'Senior High School'.

Broome Senior High School, was founded as a district high school in 1972. In 1990, Broome District High School was divided into its primary and secondary components and Broome High School was born. In January 1994, the school upgraded to senior high school status, with 200 students enrolled. The upgrade enabled the school to offer more opportunities for students in Years 11 and 12 and provide a wide range of courses in lower school.

Look out for some great opportunities this year to celebrate the 30 years of history and success of Broome Senior High School.

I'm looking forward to collaborating with our school community to ensure 2024 is a year of achievement and fulfilment for all.

Mat Burt | Principal

Gala Mabu



Concerns raised about driving behaviour on Leichhardt Place

MAT BURT | Principal

An important matter has recently been brought to our attention regarding the safety of our students on Leichhardt Place, particularly during school drop-off and pick-up times.

It has come to our notice that some drivers in this area are engaging in concerning behaviour, creating dangerous situations for our students. It is distressing to hear about these incidents, especially as they directly impact the safety of our children.

As parents and guardians, ensuring the safety of our students is our shared responsibility. In light of these concerns, I would like to take a moment to remind everyone about the importance of prioritizing safety, especially in areas frequently accessed by children.

I urge parents and caregivers to exercise extreme caution while driving in this vicinity, adhere to speed limits, stay on the correct side of the road and importantly, refrain from blocking driveways during drop-off and pick-up times. The safety of our students should always be our top priority.

Broome Senior High School are in full support for the initiative to extend the school zone into Leichhardt Place. Collaborative efforts are essential to address this issue and ensure the well-being of our children. Together, we can create a safer environment for everyone in our school community.



Year 9 Bonding Day Recap

SAM ALEXEEFF | Year 9 Leader

Recently our Year 9 cohort gathered at the Broome Recreation and Aquatic Centre for a day of bonding. Students were given the opportunity to read & understand the Good Standing policy, participate in team-building activities and enjoy a sausage sizzle and swim to conclude the day. The Year 9 Bonding Day is important for students to set clear expectations for success and to foster stronger connections across the year group before they embark on their epic Year 9 camp later this year. Big shoutout to our amazing staff for making it all happen.



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Celebrating excellence in creative writing over the last 30 years

DID YOU KNOW 2024 is the year our school celebrates 30 years since it officially became a Senior High School.

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In celebration of thirty years since Broome Senior High School became a 'Senior' High School, we are calling all current and alumni students of the school to submit samples of excellence in creative writing.

To celebrate, the English department in collaboration with Arts and Technologies, are going to produce a publication showcasing the incredible written and creative talents from Broome Senior High School over the years. Our search is for the Best of the Best.

We are looking for:

- Short stories • Poems • Memoirs • Feature articles • Interpretive pieces ...which you have written (and previously submitted for English assessment). The work should be A grade quality and produced during your time enrolled in Years 10, 11 or 12 at Broome Senior High School.

We are also looking for samples of: Artistic photos (from Art and Photography), photos of woodwork, metalwork, visual artwork, IT, catering or jewellery you have created.

One entry only per person. Please email photographs in high-resolution and electronic copies of writing in Word, or scanned copies to: Denise.Shillinglaw@education.wa.edu.au

PLEASE SUBMIT WITH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IN YOUR THE EMAIL: • Full Name? • Year of Production?

• Year the student was in, when content was produced?

A selection process will take place and writers will be contacted for formal permission if their work is successfully shortlisted. **LAST DAY OF SUBMISSIONS 3pm FRIDAY 22ND MARCH 2024.** Broome Senior High School is planning a celebration event and launch for later this year.

CELEBRATING

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Virtual reality has Year 9 students curious about their future pathways



ANNA GAVAN | Career Practitioner

The Year 9 Career Taster Program (CTP) challenges students' thinking and sparks curiosity. It's designed to provide young people with valuable skills to help them navigate training and employment. CTP is offered to Year 9 students and encourages them to explore the early stages of career discovery.

Recently the Year 9 cohort had the opportunity to explore careers and pathways via Virtual Reality and North Regional TAFE. The students explored careers never before seen or heard of and had opportunity to look outside of their own backyard at what the future could hold. From Open Heart surgery to flying planes, cutting hair and cooking three-course meals.



Year 10 students thrive in Rural Operations training

BRYON LITTLE | CAVE Coordinator

Year 10 VET class students are engaged in practical training in Rural Operations at North Regional TAFE.

This vocational education program equips the student with practical skills to work safely on rural work sites and carry out a range of manual tasks — as well as operate machinery and tools. Through TAFE's comprehensive curriculum, students who complete this course can expect to find employment in entry level positions, in agriculture, market gardens and mixed rural enterprises.



Ready to Inspire and Lead: meet our 2024 Faction Captains for 2024

SCOTT BEATTY | Head of Learning Area, Health & Phys Ed

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected as Broome Senior High School's 2024 Faction Captains. They will play an important role as student leaders this year. We are excited to have a wonderful group of positive and enthusiastic students who will no doubt lead and set a fantastic example to all of our students at Broome Senior High School in 2024.



L-R (above): DAMPIER CAPTAINS Matthew Ellis and Darci Chapman.

(below): DURACK CAPTAINS Ayanna Hayter Otaola, Sian Field and Trigg Barrett-Lennard



L-R (above): RIDDELL CAPTAINS Tyler Rowstron, Jackson Turnes and Liam Rowstron.

(below): MILLER CAPTAINS Jay Hill, Calli Cook and Janet Ginger (absent).



Safe start to Science as students dive into experiments

JOELENE PEARSON & JASPER JOHN | Science teachers

In the initial weeks of the Term 1, our Year 7 students have been getting hands-on with various scientific equipment, mastering the art of setting up and completing their science experiments. The enthusiasm for Science is evident and promises an exciting journey ahead. We look forward to leading these students through even more thrilling experiments for the rest of the year.



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How to build RESILIENCE in children

Taken from the Australian Parenting website:
www.raisingchildren.net.au

The power of resilience is the ability to bounce back after facing challenges and tough times. Resilient children not only recover from adversity but also navigate challenges such as moving house, starting school, facing bullying, dealing with academic difficulties, family breakdowns, illness or loss.

When children deal well with problems, they enhance their skills and confidence, equipping them to approach and resolve future issues. Resilience teaches them that feelings of anxiety, sadness, disappointment, fear or frustration are temporary and they can weather these emotions, knowing they will be okay. This emotional intelligence discourages unhealthy coping mechanisms like anger, violence or self-harm.

Nurturing resilience is a gradual process, requiring patience and support as your child learns to tackle challenges independently. While the instinct to make everything right is strong, allowing children to navigate difficult emotions helps them develop resilience. The foundation of resilient children lies in warm, supportive and strong relationships with family and caregivers. Positive connections foster feelings of love, safety, security, confidence and value.

- Support your child but try not to solve every little problem or disappointment eg if your child doesn't get what they want, talk to them about how they're feeling instead of trying to fix the problem.
- Help your child to identify and manage strong emotions eg your child might be worried about someone who's sick. You could say, 'I can see you're really worried about Grandpa. It's OK to be worried. Remember we're doing everything we can to help him get better'.
- Develop problem-solving skills eg if a child at school is unkind to your child, talk to them about different ways they could respond next time
- A positive role model who has experienced similar challenges, may help your child
- Notice and talk about things that are going well eg at dinner time you could each share one good thing about your day.
- Allow your child to experience challenges. This might mean letting your child make mistakes or not replacing a broken toy. Dealing with small challenges builds resilience to deal with bigger challenges.
- Encourage your child to have another go when things don't work out. Praise your child for trying. You could say 'I'm proud of you for finishing the race' or 'Well done for giving it another go'.

If you or your children seek assistance:

Kidshelpline 1800 55 1800

(Anytime, Any Reason, for young people & parents)

Family Relationship Advice Line 1800 050 321

(Mon-Fri 8am-8pm, Sat 10am-4pm)

Lifeline 131 114 (24hrs 7days)

Staff vs students basketball game marks a first of many Regular showdowns

COREY PHILIPS | Broome Clontarf Academy

A big shoutout and massive thank you to all the incredible crew that joined us beginning of Term 1 for the always hotly contested Staff vs Students basketball game. The energy and enthusiasm from both staff and students made it a truly unforgettable experience. We're thrilled by the fantastic turnout and the amazing spirit everyone brought onto the court.

This event is something the Broome Clontarf Academy plan on running regularly, so keep an ear out for news about our upcoming football game next term – it's bound to be another epic showdown.



'Zero to Hero' inspires wellbeing in students

SHANARA PATMAN | Health and Phys Ed teacher

Broome Senior High School was delighted recently to host Hayley from 'Zero to Hero' at our Year 11 assembly. Hayley shared insights about the organisation's young mental health heroes camps and conducted workshops for our Year 11 and Year 12 Health Studies students.

The presentation, titled 'Love Yourself - A Guide to Wellbeing', provided a holistic approach to understanding how to maintain optimal mental wellbeing, foster positivity and establish a connection with oneself.

Students gained valuable insights into the crucial roles that nutrition, sleep, exercise, friendships and self-talk can play in supporting mental health.



Boab Cup Carnival provides thrilling competition and standout performances

MATT ALLWOOD | Broome Clontarf Academy Director

The recent Boab Cup Basketball Carnival, hosted by the Broome Clontarf Academy, was a thrilling event to watch filled with spirited competition and outstanding performances. In an electrifying championship showdown, the skills of Broome Junior Team 2 were on full display as they reached the tournament's climax.

During the grandfinal showdown, the skills of the Broome Junior Team 2 were on full display as they reached the tournament's climax. Despite a valiant effort, they experienced a narrow defeat to Kununurra by a mere 2 points by the end of the game.

On the senior front, the Broome Senior Team emerged triumphant in a closely contested battle against rivals St Mary's College, claiming the prestigious title of, Boab Cup Senior Winners for 2024.

Special recognition goes to Victor Shovellor, a standout in Year 8, who received the Junior Clontarf Spirit award for his exceptional contributions during the carnival and dedication to pre-event training sessions.

Elliot Rogers, a shining example in Year 12, was honored with the Senior Clontarf Spirit award for his fantastic team attitude throughout the day and his ever-present cheerful behaviour.

Thank you to Year 12 students, Zirren Bevan for adding musical flair as the DJ and to Derek Sebastian together with Year 8 student Bailey Lee-Chi for their meticulous scoring of the games. The Boab Cup Basketball Carnival was a testament to the talent and sportsmanship within our school community, leaving us all proud and inspired.



Save the date: West Kimberley Careers Expo returns

BRYON LITTLE | CAVE Coordinator

Exciting news. The West Kimberley Careers Expo is back. Scheduled as an evening event students and their parents/caregivers from Years 10-12 will have opportunity to participate.

The Expo in particular is focused on preparing Year 11 and 12 students for future careers with Year 10 students warmly invited to attend aswell. The evening event will also open its doors to the community.

All Year 6 students from the Broome Primary Schools and Years 7-10 students from Broome Senior High School and St Mary's Secondary College will have opportunity to attend the next day. Save the dates and don't miss out on this valuable experience.



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4:00pm - 7:00pm
Year 10 - 12 Students & General Public

FRIDAY 19 APRIL 2024

8:00am - 1:00pm
Year 6 - 10 Students only

WHERE: BROOME CIVIC CENTRE, Weld Street



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