

School News

PERSISTENCE & INTEGRITY

Students enjoy a night of glitz and glamour at Year 12 Ball

Anna Gavan | Year 12 Leader

Saturday August 12 saw our Year 12 students firstly take centre stage on a packed grassy foreshore in front of Cable Beach. Coming together with friends and family at sunset, the students gathered whilst a myriad of snapshots and candid memories were enthusiastically captured on camera by mums and dads.

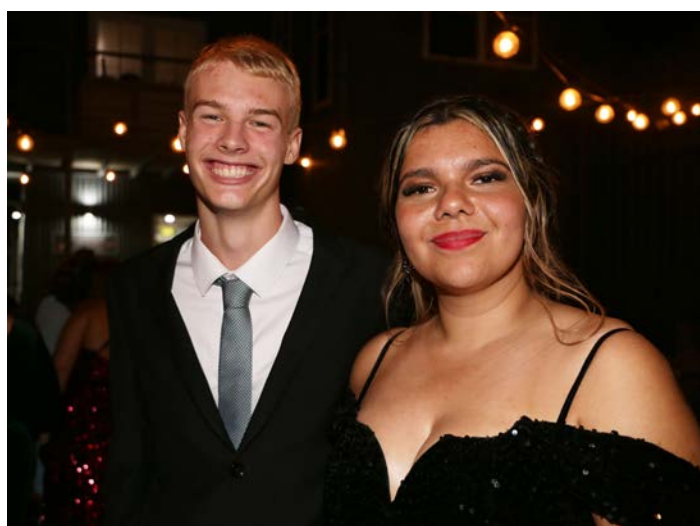
Students were then escorted to their venue by two full buses to Broome Wedding and Events, where they were greeted by the magnificent views over Simpsons Beach. The students disembarked and entered a night of enchantment and elegance. Nestled against the backdrop of breathtaking beach views, the venue was transformed into a haven of glamour and a theme of 1920s Speakeasy.

Dressed in their finest attire, students were greeted by a scene of twinkling lights, swaying palms and the soothing sound of ocean waves. The DJ set the mood for the rest of the night playing student selected songs with the 'Nutbush' bringing everyone onto the dance floor first. Dancing the night away saw Nateak Hunter and Jack Jack Roberts take out the Belle and Beau of the ball.

The night was a great success with special thanks to Mr and Mrs Spark for all the professional photos and and setup of the photobooth.

Thank you to all the generous staff who helped out on the night and made it such a memorable event for our Year 12 cohort.

For more photos please see next page...



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NAPLAN results for 2023

Mat Burt | Principal

As the parents of our Year 7 and Year 9 students will be aware, NAPLAN results for 2023 have been released. It is great to see the wonderful results in Year 7 Reading and Year 9 Numeracy, both performing more than one standard deviation above the predicted school mean.

All other areas for both Year 7 and Year 9 fell within one standard deviation of the school mean. I want to thank all staff, from our teaching staff to admin to support staff, for all the work done to get our students to sit the tests and perform their best.

Comparative Performance Summary

	Year 7 2023	Year 9 2023
Numeracy	0.9	1.6
Reading	1.3	0.5
Writing	0.6	-0.0
Spelling	0.2	0.0
Grammar & Punctuation	0.5	0.6

	Above Expected - more than one standard deviation above the predicted school mean
	Expected - within one standard deviation of the predicted school mean
	Below Expected - more than one standard deviation below the predicted school mean
	If blank, then no data available or number of students is less than 6

Bush Rangers investigate opportunity to support the Ranger Cadets Program

By Shiva McConkey | Education Support Teacher

Students of the Bush Ranger Cadets program visited the Nirrumbuk Containers for Change facility in Broome recently as part of ongoing studies into the importance of environmental conservation. They learned about how the WA Government is incentivising recycling through the scheme, by refunding 10c per container. The Bush Rangers are looking into ways of raising money for the program through the scheme.



Principal's Pen

Ngaji Gurrjin



I hope this newsletter finds you well and that the start to Term 3 has been both exciting and rewarding for everyone.

The start of Year 7 marks a crucial phase in our students' journey, one that bridges the gap between primary and secondary education. I am thrilled to announce that this year, we have Mrs Abbie Sevil, an experienced and dedicated educator, leading the Cluster Schools Year 6 students through this transitional period. Mrs Sevil brings a wealth of knowledge and a passion for fostering a seamless shift, ensuring our students feel confident and well-prepared for the challenges that lie ahead. We encourage open communication between parents, students, and teachers during this time, as we work together to create a positive and supportive transition to high school in 2024. Our extensive Mamaljan (Education Support) transition will run in collaboration with our transition program to provide additional support and to meet the unique needs of each student.

On Saturday night, we celebrated the Year 12 School Ball, a night that was truly unforgettable. This event provided an opportunity for our students to celebrate their accomplishments, friendships, and growth over the years. The Year 12 School Ball was not only a night of glamour and elegance but also a chance for students to create lasting memories with their peers before embarking on the next chapter of their lives. I extend my gratitude to Miss Anna Gavan and the organising committee for their dedication and hard work in ensuring this event was indeed a night to remember.

Our school community is gearing up for the much-anticipated Twilight Athletics Carnival. This event showcases the talents, sportsmanship, and teamwork of our students across various disciplines. It is a time for friendly competition, healthy rivalry, and a celebration of our students' commitment to physical fitness and wellbeing. We invite all parents and guardians to join us in cheering on our students and fostering a sense of unity and pride.

Thank you for your continued support, and I look forward to seeing our school community flourish throughout the rest of the year.

Mat Burt | Principal

Gala Mabu



Solar ovens cook up delicious treat for students

Chris Cole | Science Teacher

Our budding junior scientists from Year 8 were busy studying and building their own solar ovens last term, using what they learnt in class about heat transfer.

Even though it was a cold and cloudy day when the students went to test their experiments, everyone managed to use their solar ovens to successfully cook their own s'mores.



HAVE YOU RECEIVED AN ABSENTEE MESSAGE?

If your child is late or absent from school...
PLEASE RESPOND TO THE SMS LINK OR PHONE THE SCHOOL ON 9195 3100



Attendance Reward Camp

Chris Saunders | Broome Clontarf Academy Operations Officer

At the end of Week 3, three Year 10 Broome Clontarf students had the opportunity to attend the Clontarf overnight engagement camp. This camp was organised to incite well-being and build relationships amongst the students and Clontarf staff and encourage attendance over the first three weeks of Term 3 and beyond.

The selected Year 10 students joined Matt and Chris for an overnighter to James Price Point.



Setting off after school, the students set up their swags on a protected beach side camp and enjoyed catching bait and mud crabs, with not a lot of luck for either. They did manage 2 stingrays in the one cast-net though and had a quick happy snap with a turtle before it was sent on its way.

Although the fishing was slow, they enjoyed the awesome scenery and were treated to humpback whales and their calves singing and breaching all night and day, not far offshore.

TELL YOUR STORY

Entries close 1st September 2023

www.abc.net.au/heywire/competition

HEYWIRE

Aged between 16 – 22? Got a story to share? The ABC Heywire competition wants to hear from you.

Heywire is a lived experience storytelling competition for young people living in regional, rural and remote Australia.

For more than 20 years, we've been championing the bravery and vulnerability it takes to tell your story, your way.

The things that might seem every day to you are epic to us.

We've seen the impact sharing stories has on communities and the country; that's why we want to hear yours.

So tell us what life's like living in your part of the world; or tell us what you care about; or what you're frustrated by.

You can share your story in writing, by recording some audio, shooting video or taking some photos; as long as it's a true story about some aspect of your life living regionally.

Our competition closes on September 1 this year and until then, we're on the hunt for stories about your epic, everyday lives.

You could win a once in a lifetime chance to be heard on the issues that matter to you, a chance to work with ABC Producers and an all-expenses paid trip to the ABC Heywire Regional Youth Innovation Summit next year.

For more information and to enter now, here's the link: <http://www.abc.net.au/heywire>

School Board

News

Ngaji Gurrjin,

We take this opportunity to update you on the ongoing work of our school board as we continue to shape the future of Broome Senior High School. Our journey towards excellence is a dynamic and evolving process, and we are pleased to provide you with a glimpse into planning.

The focus of our next strategic plan has been drawn from input from staff and the school board. The plan will focus on a united commitment to nurturing student well-being, enhancing engagement, delivering quality teaching, and promoting cultural responsiveness.

Our school board recognises that true excellence is not a destination but a continuous journey. By focussing on placing student well-being and engagement at the core of our practices, delivering high-quality teaching, and embracing cultural responsiveness, we are shaping an environment that fosters positive growth and empowers our students for future success.

In our ongoing efforts to promote cultural responsiveness, we are embracing the diversity that enriches our school community. This entails more than just words – it's about creating an environment where every voice is heard and valued. We are committed to providing an inclusive and supportive space where differences are celebrated, contributing to a holistic and well-rounded educational experience. Our students are not just learning about the world but are actively engaging with it.

RAC Project Road Smart event

Scott Beatty | Head of Learning, Health and Phys Ed.

Our Year 10 and 11 students recently had the opportunity to participate in the RAC Project Road Smart event at the Broome Civic Centre. The event demonstrated the consequences of distracted driving, speeding and drink driving and informed students of how to reduce risk taking behaviours as a driver and a passenger. It featured a crash re-enactment, which was filmed as a docudrama and showcased the responses of real-life emergency services. Students also got to hear from guest speakers and meet emergency services staff who have been directly affected by road trauma. Although the event was confronting for a lot of students, we hope it makes them safer drivers as they take to the roads in the future.



Largest turnout at the Kimberley Cup 2023

Scott Beatty | Head of Learning Area, Health and Phys Ed.

The annual Fuel to Go & Play Kimberley Cup was again a huge success this year with 13 schools from across the Kimberley travelling to Broome to compete in the 4 day event. Schools could enter teams in basketball, volleyball, AFL, AFL9s, netball and soccer.

It was one of the largest turnouts we have had with schools nominating over 90 teams to compete in the competition.

Kimberley Cup is an excellent incentive to reward students for their positive behaviour and school attendance. It also provides an opportunity to showcase the amazing sporting talent we have in the Kimberley region.

Despite the unseasonable wet weather all of the students involved participated with fantastic enthusiasm and sportsmanship. Broome Senior High School won 6 grand finals to take home the champion school trophies in Boys Volleyball, Girls Netball, Mixed Netball, Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer and Mixed Soccer. Well done to all of the students and staff that were involved in the event.



2023 Variety Freedom Camp at Goanna Park Darwin

Sandi Passmore | Deputy Principal

Each year our Mamaljan students have the opportunity to attend the Freedom Camp at Goanna Park in Darwin, always held over the July school holidays in the Northern Territory

This year four students took part and had an unforgettable holiday experience. Sponsored by Variety The Children's Charity, the camp is run purely on volunteer power which is an incredible achievement.

The camp offers a unique opportunity for teenagers to have fun, overcome barriers and strive to increase self-esteem and confidence.

Freedom camp encourages all participants to enhance their skills and abilities and to establish lifelong friends from all over Australia.

A big thank you to Ms Sandi, Ms Stacey and Ms Edna for their support and organisation of this fabulous event.



SCHOOL UNIFORM

Emma Twining | Deputy Principal

We are very proud of our school and expect our students to wear their school uniform with pride.

All students are required to wear school uniform. This is endorsed by the P&C and the School Board. The uniform is attractive, serviceable and economical and we believe that in wearing it, students develop more pride in themselves and their school. Student dress must comply with accepted standards of health, cleanliness, modesty and safety.

The Broome Senior High School uniform consists of:

- School shirt (Year 7-9 Green, Year 10-12 Blue or White)
- BSHS black shorts – Must be at least mid-thigh in length
- Enclosed shoes (e.g. sports shoes). Thongs, Slides, Crocs and Birkenstocks are NOT permitted.
- Leggings, tights and jeans are NOT permitted.

For Physical Education, students are asked to wear:

- BSHS Sport Shirt
- Shorts at least mid-thigh in length
- Sports shoes

Students must change into their sports uniform for Physical Education classes immediately before and immediately after each lesson.

If, for any reason, students are unable to wear an appropriate uniform to school, they are asked to go to the Library before school to borrow a uniform. Students are asked to leave their clothes behind so they can change again at the end of the day and return the borrowed uniform.

For students who have the incorrect footwear – they are asked to go to Stars who have spare shoes available for the day, and to Clontarf, who also have spare shoes available. Students who are not part of these programs can access Student Services for immediate follow-up.

Shorts, shirts and shoes are all available so there is no reason for students to be wearing an incorrect uniform throughout the day

All our school uniform items are available for purchase from Totally Workwear which is located at 5 Haynes Street, Broome

Please feel free to contact the school if you have any queries. We thank you for your continued support.



Country Week 2023

Brett Cameron | Health & Phys Ed Teacher

In the last week of Term 3, 44 students and 5 staff from Broome Senior High School assembled at the airport to make their way to Perth for the 95th Country Week sporting carnival.

After a few years of COVID cancellations and changes, Country Week finally returned to its former glory as 4500 students from all over the state crammed into HBF Stadium in Perth for the first official Opening Ceremony in four years.

This year Broome Senior High School was represented by four teams; Boys Volleyball (playing in the A Grade competition), Girls Volleyball (B Grade), AFL (B Grade) and Netball (C Grade). All four teams were involved in very strong competitions where every game was hotly contested and the standard of play impressive.

After a slow start to their competition, the AFL boys, coached by Mr Gray and Mr Haynes, hit their straps and began to dominate their competition. They comfortably defeated the eventual winner Great Southern in their final qualifying game before narrowly losing to the same team by one goal in the semi-final. The boys then displayed



2023 - Year 6 transition dates

(For local intake Primary Schools)

Please find below all the key dates for the Year 6 Transition for 2023.

TERM 3 2023
• Tuesday 5 September – Parent information night
• Enrolment Packs distributed to Primary Schools – Week 9
TERM 4 2023
• Enrolment Packs due – TBC
• Weeks 2 and 3 - Current Year 7 Students to Visit Year 6 classrooms
• Monday 30 October - Year 6 Orientation Day and Parent Information Night (subject specific information)
• Tuesday 7 November - STARS & Broome Clontarf Academy Transition

For any questions or inquiries please contact Abbie Sevil (our 2023 Year 6 Transition Coordinator) on abbie.sevil@education.wa.edu.au.



impressive character and resilience in defeating Margaret River in the play-off for 3rd and 4th.

The Boys Volleyball, coached by Mr Noble, had an impressive week in the extremely strong A-Grade Volleyball competition, making their way to the Grand Final against

regular winners Christmas Island. Unfortunately the boys fell short in the Grand Final but must be very proud of their strong effort in making it to the Grand Final.

The Girls Volleyball, coached by Mr Cameron, also had a great week, winning their way through to the Grand Final against a strong Manjimup team. The girls played their heart out in the Grand Final taking the game into a third and deciding set. Unfortunately Manjimup took the final set and the Grand Final, however the girls walked off the court with their heads held high.

Similarly, the Netball team, coached by Ms Boni, had a great week in a very strong division, having to be on their mettle every single game. The girls fought their way through to their Grand Final with many tight, high standard games against quality opposition. Unfortunately the girls weren't able to overcome a slow start against Geraldton Grammar in the Grand Final but they also walked away proud of their efforts throughout a tough, yet enjoyable week of competition.

Congratulations also to the following outstanding students who received these awards from their coaches:

	Coach's Award	MVP
Boys Volleyball	Jack Jack Roberts	Dom Bartlett
Girls Volleyball	Kira Fong	Scarlett Boon-Shillinglaw
AFL	Floyd Anstey	Jay Hill
Netball	Tallara Cook	Imogen John



Students Score Salmon while Catfish Curse Lingers

Tim Gray | Follow the Dream Coordinator

Both Follow the Dream and the West Kimberley Academy programs recently joined forces to undertake a camping trip to the coast, south of Bidyadanga.

The trip was a reward for male students who had invested a significant effort into their education during first semester.

Due to the threat of bushfires, the camp was relocated north, from the top end of Anna Plains Station to Whistle Creek.

Aboriginal Cultural advisor Joe Edgar, led the team and shared his wealth of knowledge of hidden springs, tracks and old meeting points along the way. Whilst at Whistle Creek, the boys engaged in fishing, spearing, throw netting, mud crabbing, camp cooking and other activities well away from the illumination of device screens and a busy Broome town.

Around the idle moments of viewing sea eagles swoop, sunsets and tides rolling in, the boys managed to account for a good number of salmon caught. These were promptly iced down and shared with both members of the Bidyadanga community and local families back in Broome.

The highlight of the trip was the skilled display of Mr Jasper "Catfish" John who managed to land an incredible number of these pesky fish.

What has he done to familiarise himself with the fish and will his 'Catfish Curse' continue into 2024?



Scott Darlow Performance

Tim Gray | Follow the Dream Coordinator



Melbourne-based Yorta Yorta artist Scott Darlow recently performed at Broome Senior high School as part of his Deadly Heart regional tour around Australia. Since entering the Australian music scene in 2003, he has been a mainstay of Australia's Indigenous and Independent Music industry.

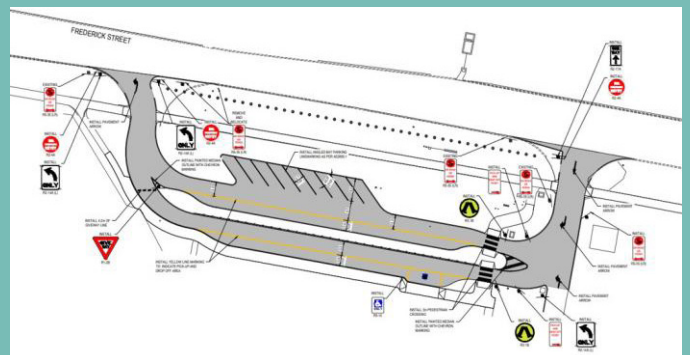
Darlow uses his songs and words to explore the complexities of Indigenous and non-Indigenous relations. In his presentation, Scott concentrated on how students can elicit change and work towards a more assertive, united future while reflecting on the past.

The acronym, F.L.U.T.E was explained to encourage students to forgive, love, understand, tolerance and empathise. Scott closed his presentation with the all important message for all students to strive to complete school and graduate.

Drop-off and pick-up Shire upgrade (Matsumoto courts)

Mat Burt | Principal

Yet another project is underway and we apologise for the disruption that has been caused; short-term pain will bring a much better zone for pick-ups and drop-offs by Term 4. The Matsumoto carpark is almost gone and ready for the upgrade which will include two lanes for drop-offs and pick-ups. The alternative drop-off and pick-up arrangements seem to be working well. We are continuing to work with The Shire on the management of traffic at the Kerr Street gate and the community are slowly getting used to the new arrangements. Thank you all for your cooperation while this project takes place.



SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term THREE 2023 Weeks 6-10

Please note content on this calendar is provided in good faith, however may be subject to change without specific notice.



WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
AUG	21	22	23	24	25
W6	Year 10 Parent Night Follow the Dream STEM Activity Day		Year 7 Academic Extension Program Whale Watching		Wear It Purple Day Broome Clontarf Academy Sonic Health Checks Year 12 ATHEA Community Health Services Visit Broome → → → Clontarf Academy Re-engagement Camp
AUG	28	29	30	31	SEPT 1
W7	-----	----- T A F E B L O C K W E E K -----			
	← ← ← Broome Clontarf Academy Re-engagement Camp	Worley Challenge STEM Day		Interschool Athletics Carnival	Tura New Music Motocar Indigenous Literacy Day
SEPT	4	5	6	7	8
W8	Bushrangers Environmental Dampier Camp → → → → → → → → → → → → → → → → Yr 8-9 Stars Junior Newman/Karjini Camp → → → → → → → → → → → → → → → →	Year 6 Parent Night		Year 7 Girls Follow the Dream/STARS Camp → →	
		Year 12 Coconut Wells Paddling → → → → →	STARS Women's Health Week → → → → →	Year 11 Coconut Wells Paddling → → → → →	RUOK? Day
			Year 11/12 Outdoor Ed Barred Creek Camp → → → → → → → → → →		
SEPT	11	12	13	14	15
W9	Bushrangers Environmental Dampier Camp → → → → → → → → → → → → → → → → Broome Clontarf Academy Junior Senior Reward Fishing Charter	Broome Clontarf Academy Junior Reward Camp → → → → → → → → → → → → → → → →		Yr 7-9 Broome Clontarf Academy Big River Cup Interschool Spelling Bee Year 12 MNG Surveyor Visit	World Cleanup Day (Saturday) Year 12 MOCK EXAMS
SEPT	18	19	20	21	22
W10	-----	----- Y E A R 8 B R O O M E F U T U R E S W E E K -----			
	Year 10 ARC STEM Day Newsletter Year 12 MOCK EXAMS			Floral Friday Whole School Assembly Year 12 MOCK EXAMS	Year 12 MOCK EXAMS
HOLIDAYS	25	26	27	28	29
	King's Birthday (WA) Public Holiday				
HOLIDAYS	OCT 2	3	4	5	6