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# Perseverance and Integrity Newsletter

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## TERM 4 REMINDERS

### Week 10

**Tuesday 12 December**

Y8 Reward Day

**Thursday 14 December**

Assembly (Whole School)

Last Day Term 4

**Friday 15 December**

Staff Development Day

(No school for students)

## TERM 1 2018

### Week 1

**Monday 29 January**

Teachers return to school

(No school for students)

New families tour of school

**Tuesday 30 January**

Staff Development Day

(No school for students)

**Wednesday 31 January**

First day Term 1

(Students return to school)

### Week 2

**Monday 5 February**

Y7 Induction

**Tuesday 6 February**

Y12 Parent Night

NR TAFE and Notre Dame training commences

**Thursday 8 February**

Assembly (Whole School)

Y11 Induction & Parent Night

**These stories and more can also be found on our Facebook and Instagram sites. Please look us up and enjoy our posts.**



## Farewell: Broome will forever stay in our hearts

By Saeed Amin | Principal

As most of you know, we are leaving at the end of this year. Whilst we are doing so to stay connected to our children it is extremely emotional to be saying goodbye. It has been the most wonderful seven years,

our two girls have been schooled here at BSBS and Broome has been our home.

Broome SHS is now rightly regarded as one of the premier schools in this state. More than that it provides the very best education to our town.

I am eternally grateful for the dedication and excellence of our staff, the great work our primary schools do, and most of all the unconditional support you as our parents and community offer the school. Our students are simply wonderful and it has been a genuine pleasure to be the Principal of the school.

I am 100 percent confident the school, as well as public education, will continue to stay strong. Our four primary schools deliver the highest level of excellence and if we continue to retain the students we do Broome Senior could be 1100+ students in five years. This is utterly exciting as high schools operate at capacity when between 900 and 1400 students. It will mean the school will offer the best depth and breadth of courses, especially in senior school, ensuring the very best educational outcomes for our students. - Thank you.

## Meet our new principal for 2018

By Saeed Amin | Principal

It is with great pleasure we're able to announce Mathew Burt as the new principal at Broome Senior High School commencing in 2018. Mr Burt is an outstanding appointment, currently the Associate Principal at the new Fremantle College, having previously been Principal of Atwell College and Como SHS (both in Perth). We are extremely lucky; Mr Burt is very highly regarded and was being coveted for a number of Principal positions in Perth but has chosen Broome. Mr Burt will move here with his wife (who is a teacher) and two children. Their daughter will be in Year 7 next year here at the high school, and their son in Year 5 at one of the primary schools. Both Jacqui Mackay (our Board Chair) and I were involved in the selection process and we are absolutely delighted; it is a fabulous appointment.



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A Culture of Success | WA SECONDARY SCHOOL OF THE YEAR | A Leading Independent Public School

Part of the BROOME CLUSTER of INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Broome PS | Broome North PS | Cable Beach PS | Roebuck PS | Broome SHS | Five Schools One Community

## PRINCIPAL'S SAY

This is the last newsletter of the term and the year, and again reflects what an incredible school we are. 2017 has been another outstanding year. As an Independent Public School, and as part of the Broome Cluster of Independent Public Schools (with our four primaries) we continue to deliver a world-class education. This reflects the enormous dedication of staff, parents and the wider community in providing a quality education to the students of Broome. My thanks to all of you for your continued support and commitment.

In particular I'd like to acknowledge our students. They continue to be an awesome group of young people and with a record 100 Year 12 graduates this year, they also constantly demonstrate what is possible if you are determined and work hard. Congratulations to all our students, they have been the best they can be.

To staff who are leaving us, thank you for your contribution, it has been enormous. And to families who are also leaving Broome, we wish you well.

All the very best for the holidays. Merry Christmas, stay safe and we'll see you in 2018.

Saeed Amin | Principal



"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams.  
Live the life you've imagined." - Thoreau

## A Moment in Time

By Sascha Bragaglia | Head of Learning Area, The Arts



Over 80 students recently participated in the Dance and Drama performance night "A Moment in Time" which was a sell-out. The night showcased a variety

of performances that included dance and

drama groups from Years 7-12, the WKA Clontarf didj and dance team, and visiting Year 6 students from Broome North Primary. I was extremely impressed by the high-level technical skills of the students involved as well as their outstanding theatre etiquette and teamwork skills.

## Students represent school at Indigenous Culinary Camp

By Carolyn Davies | Food Technology Teacher



Above: Peter preparing marron tails.  
Right: Jai scorching the sardines.

Year 11 students Peter Roe and Jai Lovell recently represented Broome Senior High School at the 2017 Perth Kartagup Djinda Ngardak (Indigenous Culinary Camp). This translates to "Perth comes alive under the stars". The week-long excursion involved Food Technology and Hospitality students from around the state and saw the students work alongside well known chefs to learn more about preparing bush tucker.



It was an amazing week learning about culture, community, cooking, serving and bush tucker, as well as meeting and working alongside some of the top WA and national chefs. The highlight of the week was serving a meal to 150 dignitaries and guests at Government House Ball Room which included Her Excellency the Honourable Kerry Sanderson AC. The menu featured citrus cured crocodile tail on a crab pancake, magpie goose, mango and boab dust, marron with blood root oil and much more.

Well done to our students.

## P&C NEWS

By Dale Vaughan |

Broome Senior High School  
P&C President

On behalf of the Broome Senior High School P&C, I would like to thank everyone who contributed in any way to our 2017 Quiz Night held on Friday 10 November. The quiz was attended by 200 community members and approximately \$9,500 was raised for the school—\$2,000 more than last year. It was a wonderful night, and the P&C would like to thank our donors and those who attended on the night.



Teaching staff, their families and friends took out both first and second place this year. Winners pictured above.



**P&C**  
ITS YOUR SCHOOL  
*Get Involved!*

## Academy girls celebrate achievements at annual Presentation Night

By Kelly Winter | Broome Girls Academy Program Coordinator

The Broome Girls Academy Presentation Night was held recently at the Broome Civic Centre. It was a wonderful opportunity for the Academy girls, their families, carers and community members to celebrate BGA's highlights and achievements in 2017. Awards were presented on the night to recognise students who excelled in education, sport, leadership and external programs. Guest speaker and previous BGA student



Shania Ahchee gave an inspiring speech, and the Year 7 BGA girls performed a hip-hop dance. Singers Lani Pigram, Jahkya Shadforth, Patrisia Cameron and Shamayne Tingulu also performed with support from Tanya and Steve from Australian Children Music Foundation and music teacher Rob Pascoe. Along with farewelling our year 12 students, we reflected on a year of their successes. Broome Girls Academy would like to thank our sponsors Horizon Power, Art House Broome and Kimberley Physiotherapy.

## West Kimberley Clontarf Academy Awards Night well attended

by Ben De Meo | WKA Year 9 coordinator

The West Kimberley Clontarf Academy held its 2017 Awards Night at the Broome Convention Centre recently. It was a great night with well over 300 people in attendance. The boys and their families went to great lengths to 'dress to impress', and to help celebrate the achievements of all the boys throughout the year, and what a year it has been.

Many awards were presented throughout the night for each year group to acknowledge many of the boys' outstanding achievements. Each award recipient delivered an acceptance speech beyond their years, leaving quite the impression on the crowd.

The Didj boys got the crowd buzzing with a contemporary dance performance, which was a highlight of the night, as was celebrating the graduation of the Year 12s.

The night was a huge success, and we thank everyone for attending.



## International Food Festival features 7 countries

By Sarah Barrenger | Education Assistant

An entertaining array of activities were enjoyed by the students who attended the Bushrangers Camp held at Broome Senior High School on 10-11 November. On Friday night a trip to Sun Cinema to watch Thor was followed by an action-packed basketball game and a movie marathon. The next day the Bushrangers set off to BRAC for hours of fun on the inflatable slip and slide. The afternoon was spent enjoying a visit to the port for some fishing and fish and chips.

Then it was back to camp headquarters to set up for the highlight of the weekend—the International Food Festival. A food lovers' delight, the festival featured famous mouth-watering cuisine from over seven countries. The Festival was the result of many weeks of dedicated organisation and teamwork from the Meal Prep and Cooking class, who meticulously planned this event as part of their assessment.

The students stood tall, proud and smiling

in their hospitality uniforms as they helped to serve the 50-plus guests. The beautiful lighting, music, hand-painted hanging sombrero decorations and circular table settings created a wonderfully festive atmosphere.

The next day a swim and beach games at Gantheaume Point were a great way to relax together and celebrate the success of the Festival before heading home.



# Big History Project Presentation Evening 2017

By **Hayden Brown** | Director of Academic Extension

This year over 60 people attended the Big History Project final presentation night and the students' work was amazing. Thanks to all students and staff involved, especially the Year 10 leadership students and Ms Denkinger who catered for the event. The centrepiece of the evening was a project that predicts future developments for our world, along with a celebration of the Japanese Learning Experience that happens each year at the end of Term 3 as a part of their Big History learning. This year the event was expanded to include a small cohort of Year 8 students, a Big History themed art exhibit and a Big History cultural sharing project with a partner school in Brooklyn NYC, which we named a Little Big History of BGA. This year I also had the pleasure to announce the continued growth of academic extension at BSHS with the addition of a BHP class in Year 8. We are now in a position where we are in an academic partnership with Macquarie University to create a pilot program that will help develop and improve a new BHP school course designed especially for Australian (and WA curriculum requirements) which is due to be released July 2018.



Far Above: Year 10 students Breeana Scott and Maddilyn Davies serving sushi.  
Above: Year 7 Big History students presenting their future world predictions to parents.

## IMPORTANT

Please be advised that CCTV has been installed at the school. The School Board unanimously approved the installation in line with Department of Education guidelines. The CCTV will primarily serve as a deterrent to after hours, weekends and school holiday damage.

Whilst damage to the school is infrequent, when it occurs it is inevitably expensive and distressing. CCTV is now a relatively common occurrence in schools.

Cameras will be on 24 hours per day. Footage will only be viewed when specific incidents occur.

Thank you

**Jacqui McKay**  
School Board Chair

**Saeed Amin**  
Principal

## PROFILING OUR LIBRARY TEAM

The Library at Broome Senior High School is a welcoming and inclusive space that aims to support teaching and learning within our school and encourage the love of reading.

We provide areas for both quiet study and reading, as well as classroom areas and computers for research and SIDE students.

Homework classes run after school each Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

### Opening hours:

Monday to Thursday 7.30am – 3.30pm  
(including lunchtime, CLOSED recess).

Fridays 7.30am – 2.30pm (including lunchtime, CLOSED recess).

Tuesday 7.30am – 1.15pm on  
'All Staff' meeting days.



**Will Spark:** *Teacher-Librarian. (Loves travelling, the Kimberley, the sea, sailing and music. At the moment retro listening to Rory Gallagher, Big Head Todd and the Monsters and Blood and Wine. Reading "In a Nutshell").*

**Carol 'Topsy' Spark:** *Library Officer – yes my husband is my boss. (Loves travelling (and used to live in Malta, also a complete Francophile), music, animals, books, cooking and sewing, kids and grandies! Currently easy-reading my way through Kristan Higgins' light-hearted and very amusing 'Blue Heron' series).*



## 2018 FINANCIAL (SECONDARY) ASSISTANCE SCHEME

(Applications close 13 April 2018)

To assist families with the payment of contributions and charges, the Department of Education offers financial assistance to parents and guardians who are holders of a Centrelink Family Health Care Card, Centrelink Pensioner Concession Card or a Veterans' Affairs Pensioner Concession Card.

### EDUCATION PROGRAM ALLOWANCE

\$235 is paid to the school towards the student's contributions and charges and applicants receive a further \$115 clothing allowance which they can elect to receive or have paid directly to the school to further assist them with school costs. Please note families who have applied for Abstudy are not eligible to apply for this allowance.

### ABSTUDY SUPPLEMENT ALLOWANCE

A supplement amount of \$79 is available to families who have already received the Abstudy school allowance of either \$78 or \$156 from Centrelink.

*Application forms for both allowances are available from the administration office and please note applications close on Friday 13 April 2018.*

## BROOME CLUSTER OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOLS



FIVE SCHOOLS, ONE COMMUNITY

We acknowledge the Djugun Yawuru people, the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we work and learn together

## PROFILING OUR ARTS TEAM

At Broome Senior High School we are pleased to offer Dance, Drama, Media, Music and Visual Arts subjects in purpose-built facilities. In Years 7 and 8, students study both Visual and Performing Arts prior to specialising in their chosen art(s) areas in Years 9 and 10. In Senior School, the Arts Learning Area offers a full range of courses including Certificate II and III in Music Industry and Visual Arts, General Media, Drama, Dance and ATAR Dance. Our talented Arts team has high-level industry experience and provide multiple extension, presentation and performance opportunities in both the school and wider community.



**Sascha Bragaglia:** Head of Learning Area, Teacher of Y7/9/10 Dance and Y11-12 ATAR Dance. *(Loves The Iconic, travel, and devours anything savoury).*



**Naomie Hatherley:** Teacher of Y10 and Certificate II Visual Arts. Also teaches Y11/12 General Children, Family and Community and Y10 Fashion. *(Is passionate about art and plans to revive the Ceramics Centre next year.)*



**Graeme Hortin:** Teacher of Y7-10 Music and Y11-12 Certificate in Music Industry. *(Resident motivator, all round cheerful guy, loves travel, guitar and learning new instruments).*



**Rob Pascoe:** Teacher at School of Instrumental Music *(Resident multi-instrumentalist, performance space technical wiz and footy coach).*



**Sarah Rogers:** Teacher of Y8 Visual Arts, also teacher of Y7/8/10 English and Y11 EALD. *(Had never been to WA till moving to Broome last year. Clearly has missed out! And yes is Miss Bonner's sister).*



**James MacNeil:** Teacher of Y7-10 Visual Art and Y11-12 Certificate in Visual Arts. *(Apron-wearing fantasy sports competitor and Kanye West fan).*



**Matt Noble:** Teacher of Y8-10 Media, Y7-10 Drama, Y12 Media Production and Analysis. *(Resident tech guy, volleyball master and interpretive dance enthusiast).*



**Beth Lawton:** Teacher of Y8 Dance and Y8 Leader. *(An all-round legend).*

## A visual feast of technology and art on display

By James Macneil | Visual Art Teacher

A year's worth of creativity was on display last Friday as our Visual Art and Technology students literally covered the walls and floor space of the Arts Centre in the 2017 Broome Senior High School Art Exhibition.



Above: Students enjoyed opportunity to view the art presentations during school. Left: Ryland Mitchell pictured with his mum, Robyn Wells in front of his art piece.

After staff and students previewed the show during school hours, over 100 people came through that evening to take in the impressive range of work, including textiles, digital images,

drawings, paintings, wood, metal and 3D printed pieces. The event was catered for by our Home Economics Department and was a really special way to cap off a great year of studio and workshop productivity with friends and family.

Although the students see their artwork in the classroom every lesson, to have it displayed in an exhibition attended by other students, teachers and the wider community - just that change in context opens their eyes up to how talented they really are. It's also great for the younger kids to have their work hang next to their older peers. It's empowering as an artist. I couldn't be prouder of my students.



## PROFILING OUR SCHOOL'S GREEN THUMB



**Troy Cossey:** Gardener/Handyman extraordinaire. *(Moved to Broome in 1999. Enjoys surfing, camping and fishing with his family. His aim in life is always to try and make things better).*



# SCHOOL CALENDAR

## Term One 2018

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

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	<b>JAN 22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> S/Officers Return	<b>25</b> Admin Returns	<b>26</b> P/Holiday Aust. Day
<b>FEB 1</b>	<b>JAN 29</b> Teachers Return BSHS New Families Tour	<b>30</b> SDD	<b>Jan 31</b> Students Return	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>5</b> Y7 Induction	<b>6</b> Y12 Parent Night NR TAFE & Notre Dame Training starts	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <b>ASSEMBLY</b> (Whole School) Y11 Ind. & Parent Night Clontarf Regional PD	<b>9</b> West Kimberley Academy Regional PD All Staff
<b>3</b>	<b>12</b> W3 Newsletter Out	<b>13</b> Y10 Ind. & Parent Night BSHS P&C Meeting	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> West Kimberley Academy Y7 Induction Camp Broome Girls Academy Y7 Induction Camp	<b>16</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> BSHS Board Meeting	<b>21</b> New Families Meet West Kimberley Academy Y8/9 Derby Camp	<b>22</b> Y12 Broome Girls Academy Leadership Camp	<b>23</b> Y12 West Kimberley Academy L/ship Camp Staff vs Student Cricket
<b>MAR 5</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>MAR 1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>5</b> P/Holiday Labour Day	<b>6</b> W6 Newsletter Out OLNA	<b>7</b> Aqua Spectacular	<b>8</b> <b>ASSEMBLY</b> (Split) Broome Girls Academy: International Womens Day	<b>9</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>12</b> Y12 Work Place Learning OLNA	<b>13</b> BSHS P&C Meeting	<b>14</b> West Kimberley Academy Jnr Kimberley Shield	<b>15</b> Y10 SLG Senior FirstAid	<b>16</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>19</b> OLNA	<b>20</b> Cluster Board Meeting	<b>21</b> Harmony Day	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Inter School Swimming Carnival
<b>9</b>	<b>26</b> W9 Newsletter Out OLNA	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> P/Holiday G/Friday
<b>APR 10</b>	<b>APR 2</b> P/Holiday E/Monday	<b>3</b> P/Holiday E/Tuesday	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Parent Night All Yrs Y10-12 West Kimberley Academy Desert Dustup Halls Creek	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> <b>ASSEMBLY</b> (ANZAC) WHOLE SCHOOL	<b>13</b> <b>T1 ENDS</b>
	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> P/Holiday Anzac Day	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Excursion Free weeks 5 & 9