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Broken Hill High School Core Values: Be Respectful Be Responsible Be Co-operative 22 September 2016

From the Principal

Year 12 Leaving Ceremony

Parents and carers are invited to the Year 12 Leaving Ceremony to be held on Friday 23 September 2016 at 12.00pm.

The students have 2 days allocated for signing out from school. This will be Monday 7 November and Tuesday 8 November 2016. The Year 12 Formal will be held on 3 December 2016 at the Gary Radford Pavilion at the Racecourse. Tickets are available from the front office for \$66 each.

The school wishes all Year 12 students well in their examinations.

First Day of Term 4 – Monday 10 October 2016

The first day of Term 4 is Monday 10 October 2016. There will be no School Development Day in Term 4.

Tell them from Me Survey

Please fill out the online survey for parents to help us improve your child's education.

The *Partners in Learning* Parent Feedback Survey

This Term, our school will be participating in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey, another part of the *Tell Them From Me* suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online at home or on public computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 22 August and 21 October 2016. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, however, your responses are very much appreciated.

More information about the survey is available at: <u>http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents</u>

Click on the link below to access the survey. If you cannot access the survey by clicking on the link, copy and paste into your browser. https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/bhhs16

Year 12 Laptop Unlocking Is Now Available

Students who wish to get their DER laptop unlocked need to collect a form from the Server Room. If your laptop is lost or broken, the School has a limited number of spares available for those still interested in taking one. Ask at the Server Room.

Students Who Are Late To School or Leave Early

Students are NOT allowed to call their parents during school times to collect them. If students have a valid reason to be collected, they are to either go to the Front Office or the Deputy Principal for someone to call their parent/caregiver to come to the school and collect them.

Students who have a doctors/dentists appointment at a certain time can either have the parents attend the school to collect or supply their child with a note. This note must have a valid and reasonable reason for the child to be signing out of school with a time, date and signature.

It is recommended that if your child attends a doctor or other appointment, that they request a certificate and a copy is given to the school so their time out of school can be justified and explained properly.

If a student is late to school, they must provide a note or a phone call from parent/carer with a reasonable and valid reason. Personal and family reasons are not a valid reason.

If a student is late to school without a note it will be documented as late and unjustified, which affects their final attendance rate, unjustified and unexplained.

If a student continues with this behaviour the following will occur:

3rd offence – call home from the Year Advisor to discuss with parents.

5th offence – 20 days Individual Attendance Plan.

Right Place, Right Time

There has been an increase of students not being in the right place at the right time at Broken Hill High School. To eliminate distractions and ensure all students are getting the most out of their time at school we have revised our truant procedures that will come into effect in the coming weeks.

It is essential students attend Roll Call every day as this ensures your child is present at school and this then doesn't affect their attendance. However, if your child is late they MUST sign in through the Front Office. Your child MUST have a legitimate reason and be supplied with a detailed note signed and dated by the parent/carer.

If your child is truanting class then the new system will ensure your child is spoken to and the following consequences will occur.

First offence – receive a written warning. This will be handed to the student. Second offence – referred to relevant DP for presuspension and yellow monitoring card. Seniors – one week loss of senior privileges Third offence – Timeout Room for the Day Fourth offence – SUSPENSION – 1 day Fifth offence – SUSPENSION – 2 days

Parents/Carers can check on their child's attendance through the Parent Portal. If you have not received the access key for the parent portal please call the Front Office to receive one.

Regards, Paul Gauci Deputy Principal (8,10,12)

Sign Out Procedures for Year 12 Students

If you are signing IN/OUT because you have free periods, you MUST sign in/out using the kiosk only. This will only work if you have

1. Your flexible card (if you have lost this you will need to pay \$2 for a replacement card)

2. Returned your signed permission form to the Front Office.

If not you will NOT be signing out early and if we sign you in it will be Unapproved and will count towards your 3 late arrivals and a Deputy Detention will be issued.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBERS

If you have changed your address, phone number or have a new emergency contact person (in case we can't get in contact with you if your child is sick or in case of an emergency) please let the Front Office know so details can be updated.

UNIFORM SHOP: This is open every Tuesday and Thursday between 1pm and 2pm.

NO TAKEAWAY TO BE BROUGHT INTO SCHOOL GROUNDS: Please note that students are not allowed to bring, or have delivered, any type of fast food into the school. This includes coffee, cold drinks or food. This will be confiscated.



Year 7 Science Practical Exam will be completed during one allocated Science lesson in Weeks 1 and 2, Term 4. This task is worth 20%.

All assessment tasks will be posted through the parent portal by their classroom teacher. If there are any concerns or enquiries please contact Mr Gauci at school.

Please submit your assessment tasks as due to your teacher by 9:00 am on the above due date(s).

National Science Week – Co-Operation in the Classroom

This year, Australia celebrated National Science Week throughout August 13-26. The 7 Cooper class marked the occasion by participating in an inclass challenge to build the tallest and strongest high-rise bath for Barbie that they could. Students had only one lesson to design and build their towers.



Each group was given limited supplies from which they could construct their masterpieces, including 30 straws, 20 paddle-pop sticks, three metres of tape, six sheets of paper and a plastic take-away container. Prizes were awarded for the tallest and lightest structure over 40 cm that could support Barbie, and the structure over 40 cm that could hold the most weight. An example of one of the many intriguing designs our students came up with is shown above. Throughout this activity, students enjoyed testing out their problem solving skills and worked co-operatively with each other in their teams.

Miss Williams

Sport Choices Term 4

All students from Year 7-10 should have completed their Sport Choices for Term 4. Choices include: School Sport/Walking, YMCA (Indoor Soccer) \$3, Pool \$5 and Lawn Bowls Proprietary Square North Bowling Club \$4. Students who choose the Pool and Lawn Bowls will catch the bus to the venue. Students will walk to the YMCA. All students at off school grounds sports will be dismissed from the venue at the conclusion of sport.

Sport will be starting in Week 1, Term 4. If students haven't made their selection, please see Miss Williams in the PDHPE staffroom.

Miss Williams

MLC

On Tuesday the 16 of August 25 Year 9 students set off on the MLC trip and train ride of a lifetime. Upon arrival at Strathfield Station there was a flurry if excitement and hype as students met up with billets and host families.

Wednesday morning brought with it some tired eyes and enthusiastic stories of the night before. Our first experience for the day was in the STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) lab. Students were impressed by the soaring heights of the drone and were able to experience and appreciate the endless possibilities of its use. Many tried to scare Mrs Usher with some flying low and very close to her head. However, her nerves of steel resulted in her seeking revenge and payback. Next, we were off to theatre sport. This is where we saw some hidden talents shine. Perhaps our bestkept budding actors were Rohan Cutting and Tyler McKenzie. The afternoon soon rolled around and we were headed to the junior school to share some stories of home and Broken Hill. All students contributed but the highlight was from our presenters, Tayla Dellar and Effie Prentos.

Thursday morning came and went with tales of dinner in Bondi, crossing the Harbour Bridge and much more. The school morning sessions included design and hospitality. The design session saw the girls group of Chloe Roberts, Mateze Rogers and Amber Bradley create a much more stable and sensible design than Tommy Fleming, Rohan Cutting and Tyler McKenzie who somehow managed to make their tower stand and take out the final honours.

The hospitality session uncovered some of our Master-chefs and some of our Disaster-chefs!!! There were many thrills and some unlucky incidents and chocolate explosions. Tayla soon discovered how quickly things can go from fantastic to frantic in the kitchen.

Thursday afternoon was the art session and many small people and scenes were created. Bella Kolinac embraced her creative side and made a fabulous macro/micro scene. Thursday afternoon was full of shopping and sight seeing for most, before the much-awaited departure to the city on Friday morning.

After bidding farewell to our new life long friends we were headed straight to the city centre then onto Sydney University. As we walked in the gates and met our tour guide at the quadrangle, eyes were widened and imagination and interest peaked as we toured the campus and spoke of the various opportunities ahead for Year 9.

Next we were off to the aquarium, Madame Tussauds and FINALLY- Luna Park. The giggles, screams and excitement echoed from Luna Park and rang out across of the harbour. Perhaps none louder than after Jacinta Denton entered and exited the haunted house.

Saturday Morning began with yet another early start as we set off to Taronga Zoo. The seal show was a thrill with many of our students getting sprayed and some soaked when watching the clever tactics of the seals. The morning flew by and we were soon headed to get a birds eye view of Sydney from the pylons on the Harbour Bridge. After not one single complaint, we managed to scale the seemingly endless staircases and we were able to enjoy the breathtaking panoramic view. Many quality selfies were taken, perhaps the best coming from Emma Harrington, Lucy Grose and Lillie Paech. Next the steep and quick descent sent us off into Circular Quay for a brief stint of people watching, admiring buskers and Opera House photos.

After dinner, we embarked on the anxiously awaited historical and ghost tour of the rocks. With a few scaring themselves before we even began. The mood was tense and we were all a little on edge. As we meandered through the streets we learnt and experienced more about the history of one of Sydney's oldest suburbs than we did of any poltergeist and ghosts. Yet again our students did us proud, with Hannah Blick, Zayden Speechley, Laylaa Goss and Maddison Khan and Rory Quinn re-enacting some serious scenes. After a brief stint at the famous Starbucks, we were headed back to the YHA.

Sunday morning started with a heartfelt visit to the Lindt Café memorial site. Our students were sincere and mature in paying their respect at the site. After this we wandered through Hyde Park and visited some of the historical and iconic structures. Then we managed to view Sydney from Sydney Tower Eye. With views over 80kms it was a wonderful way to start the day. The day was then consumed with visits to the Australian Museum, Powerhouse Museum and of course Paddy's Market where the bargain of the day went to Alex Gray. As the day drew to a close, we managed to squeeze in some strike bowling and laser tag before heading back to the YHA for the mammoth packing trip and train ride home!

Throughout the entire excursion we were complimented on the behaviour and manners of our students. The students did an excellent job at representing themselves, their families and Broken Hill High School. Well done and thanks for the great trip.

West Darling Athletics

On the 26 of August the West Darling Athletics Carnival was held at Zinc Oval. This year the carnival had representatives from Broken Hill High, Willyama High, Menindee Central School and Coomealla High School. With a wider range of schools attending this year it made for some fierce competition.

Overall Broken Hill High School had seven age champions. These included:

Oliver Symonds	12 Year Boys
Nicholas Schofield	13 Year Boys
Jameson Burke	14 Year Boys
Austyn Page	15 Year Boys
Harrison Campbell	16 Year Boys
Sarah Williams	12 Year Girls
Emma Hocking	14 Year Girls

At the conclusion of the Carnival Broken Hill High School were successfully the winning school for the 2016 Carnival. Well done to all the students who competed at the carnival and represented Broken Hill High School with pride. You are all congratulated on your efforts.

Miss Williams

Combined High Schools Athletics Carnival

This year, two students from Broken Hill High School qualified to represent at the Combined High Schools Athletics Carnival at Olympic Park Athletics Track on the 7th- 9th of September.



This experience was exciting for both Emma Hocking and Jameson Burke who competed in their respective events with outstanding effort. Emma improved on her Personal Best times and showed great sportsmanship throughout the carnival. Jameson was very thrilled with his top 8 Finals finish in the 14 Year Boys Javelin with the winner throwing over 43m.



Congratulations to both Emma and Jameson. You have both done Broken Hill High School proud in such a strong competition.

Miss Williams



SRC Week was back this year with a bang!

The SRC had organised lunch time activities throughout the week including a scavenger hunt, donut eating competition, bottle flip championship, Balloon buster competition, lolly finding in cream, sliming of the Deputy Mr Gauci and for the first year ever included our Principal Mr Webb!







Day on the green was held on the Friday, which was also our mufti day. In total we raised \$570 to be donated to the Paediatric ward at Broken Hill Hospital.



For the first year ever we had a rock climbing wall, laser tag, bottle flip final, tug of war and live music

performed by our Senior and Year 10 students. It was a fantastic day had by all students and teaching staff!





On behalf of myself and the SRC team I would like to thank all those who donated and participated in the events throughout the week!

Ms Connors

SRC Coordinator





Yr 10 School Based Apprenticeships and Traineeships

McDonald's Australia Ltd has supported the school-based traineeships in NSW programs since 2001, providing senior secondary students with the opportunity to gain a nationally recognised qualification in Certificate II in Retail Operations as part of the HSC. If you are interested in applying for a SBT with McDonald's, please visit your local restaurant.

Read more (<u>http://mcdonalds.com.au/.../grow-</u>w.../crew-training/traineeships)





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McDONALD'S SCHOLARSHIP **BROKEN HILL HIGH SCHOOL** PURPOSE

The purpose of the scholarship is to provide financial support for two Broken Hill students com their HSC who wish to pursue further education or training. More specifically it aims to reward motivated students who are focussed in pursuing their chosen career. A maximum of two schol will be awarded.

SCHOLARSHIP 1: OPEN APPLICATIONS. VALUE \$500

- The student must: Complete an application in accordance with the guidelines below Stand to gain an HSC Be able to demonstrate characteristics of a motivated student, for example punctuality, discipline, good behaviour and work file balance. Nave some history of extra-curricular school and/or community involvement. Be able to show that they have applied, or indent to apply, to a tertiary course of study at University, TAFE, or similar RTO.
- ns will be reviewed and final approval given by Broken Hill High School staff.

SCHOLARSHIP 2: EMPLOYEES ONLY, VALUE \$500.

- Criteria as per Open Applications with the addition of: Student must have been employed at McDonald's Broken Hill for a continu yous period of 12 months
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GUIDELINES FOR APPLICATION

300-350 words in length Typed or handwritten Should answer the questions:

- Include anymu ox destruction.
 I. Explain why toy want to study your chosen course. In particular, how do you hope that your qualification will allow you to help others in society? (approx 200 words).
 2. Describe how you have balanced your commitments to school, employment, and social life (100-150 words).
 J. Include a written reference letter from a current high school teacher.
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All scholarships are at the discretion Submissions close: INSERT DATE



Murray Districts Coaching Academy

An exciting opportunity has presented itself for all junior cricketers to participate in the Murray Districts Coaching Academy. Players will be exposed to high level coaching and given ways to improve no matter what their level. Players 18 years and under are encouraged to attend.

The Academy will also double as the selection trails for the under 14 and 16 Country Cup teams. (players only need to attend one but may need to choose to attend both)

> Thursday 6 October Berri Oval, 10 - 3pm Friday 7 October Lameroo Oval, 10 - 3pm

- A one-day intensive coaching program designed to help junior cricketers of any level. There will be 2 days available to choose from, Players only need to attend one but may choose to attend both. Players only charged for lunch to attend second day. Coaching will be provided by Appleton Sports along with SACA. Cost: No more than \$55 (Lunch Provided)
- - RSVP to Dave Gregoric 0417851427 devren00@tpg.com.au or Sunny Vogt sunny vogt94@schools.sa.edu.au sunny vogt64@schools.sa.edu iber 29 giving your name, addre By Thursday Septer

For more information go to cricketsa.com.au or call 8300 3800







- WHEN: Sunday 9th October
 - WHERE: Sturt Park, Chloride Street
- - TIME: - Registration from 9am
 - 10am Start COST:

Adult- \$20, U13 years - \$10 U5 years - Free \$50 Family(up to 5)

Pre-registration - Silhouette Salon or NAB

