

Bourke High School Fortnightly Newsletter

Week 8, Term 4 2022

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Coming up:

Careers Expo Wednesday 7th September

R U OK Day 8th September

School Spring/Yartu Fair Friday 16th September 3:30-7:00PM

School Holidays: Monday September 26th – Monday 10th October

Year 12 HSC Exams commence Wednesday 12th October 2022





Relieving Principal's Report

P & C

Recently the P & C held their first meeting since last year, due to concerns about COVID and members safety. There was an enthusiastic group in attendance and more information will be provided in the next Newsletter regarding office bearers. The objects of the P & C are to promote the interests of the school by bringing parents, citizens, students, and staff into close cooperation; and to assist in providing facilities and equipment for the school and in promoting the recreation and welfare of the students at the school.

Staff Changes

Mrs June Bokody, Head Teacher Special Education, takes up her new position at Delroy High School next term as Deputy Principal Inclusion and will be sorely missed. Mr Jay Mulherin, English Teacher has joined us from Lake Cargelligo Central School and has previously worked at Walgett High School. He is working diligently within the school and creating excellent links with students, community members and staff. So much so that he has volunteered to be the Year 7 Adviser in 2023 and is currently working with Ms Sellers and primary students on the transition. A new Head Teacher Welfare will be commencing at the beginning of term four. Ms Brooke Hamilton will be joining us from Nowra Christian School, where she is a senior teacher. Ms Hamilton is a very experienced teacher, and her current role has been Head of Pastoral Care Senior School. We are looking forward to Ms Hamilton working with us next term.

Celebrating SASS Week

This week is School Administrative and Support Staff Recognition Week, a time to acknowledge and thank the often-unsung heroes in our public schools. Our SAS play an important role in the school community. They are often the first people you see when you enter a school and are essential to maintaining positive relationships with students, parents, and the community. SAS staff work in school offices, classrooms and libraries and maintaining and caring for school grounds and buildings. They are often the ones to tend to students when they are unwell, and they ensure the efficient management of school financial and administration functions. Thank you to Ms Ibbotson, Head Teacher TAS, and her Year 12 Hospitality students who provided BHS SAS staff with a splendid luncheon on Friday 2 September, as a token of the school's appreciation.

Relieving Principal's Report Continued

Spring Fair Friday 3.30 to 6.00pm 16 September

Please save the date for our inaugural Spring Fair, which really is an excuse to have the community join with us on the afternoon to catch-up and to have a bit of fun. There will be games, races and prizes for students and visitors, as well as lots of odds and ends for sale. Entry to competitions will cost a gold coin, and the cream bun eating competition should be highly contested. The school will have plenty of food and drinks on sale, so that families will be able to plan for an early tea. There will definitely be a supply of BHS famous wood fired pizza, but people will need to get in early, because when they are gone, they're gone.

Combined Farewell Year 12 Assembly and Term 3 Presentation Assembly –

Thursday September 15th 9:55am in the MPC

Parents and carers will soon receive invitations to our Farewell Assembly to Year 12's who commence their HSC examinations on Wednesday 12 October with English Paper 1 and finish on Friday 4 November. The farewell to Year 12's will be our main event, however, there will also be time to recognise the work of other students over Term 3. At the conclusion of the assembly parents and community members will be invited to join with us for morning tea. The assembly will be held in the MPC.

Mr Robert Bourke
Relieving Executive Principal



Thursday September 8th

Students are encouraged to wear yellow clothing to school. There will be activities on the day including a tug-a-war between teachers and students! There will also be a gold coin donation sausage sizzle hosted by the SRC.

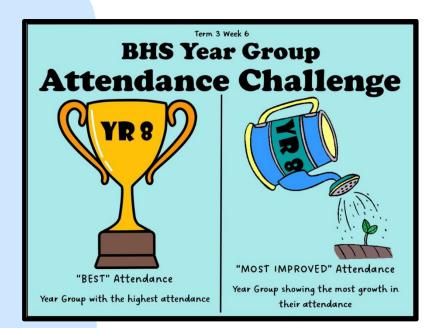
Attendance Report

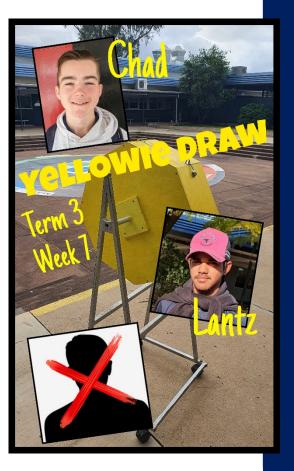
Year 8 had the best attendance for Term 3, Week 6. Followed by Year 7. Congratulations Year 8!

The most improved attendance for Week 6, also belonged to Year 8.

This initiative stems from the Wellbeing Team, led by Miss Doggett. There will be discussions held with Year Advisors and Year Groups about possible prizes for this challenge.

An announcement will be made each Tuesday on morning assembly about the "best" and "most improved" Year Group attendance.





Yellowie Winners

Draw 1 was a \$5 draw Abbey pulled out Lantz's name out of the barrel. Congratulations Lantz

Draw 2 was a \$5 draw Jaimyn pulled out Chad's name out of the barrel. Congratulations Chad

Draw 3 was a \$5 draw. Chad pulled out a student's name out of the barrel who was not present on assembly. Draw 3 will be \$10 in Week 9.

- Draws 1 & 2 will be both \$5 draws in Wk9.
- Draw 3 will be a \$10 jackpot in Week 9.
- The Yellowie Draw will occur EVERY Thursday at morning assembly.
- There will be 3 draws.
- 📬\$5 Canteen vouchers up for grabs.
- Draws will JACKPOT (increase by \$5) if students are NOT PRESENT on assembly, for ANY REASON!!!
- Show up, be a noticer, no shame, use your voice and listen carefully!

Remind staff to give you Yellowies!

Deal or No Deal will occur in Week 8!

6 cases, 6 blue wigs, 6 prizes ranging from \$2-\$50.

Miss Smith

Year Adviser Report - Year 12 | Mr O'Connor

Year 12 have just completed their Trial HSC Exams and are eagerly studying towards their HSC Exams which will be in Term 4 starting on Wednesday 12th of October.

Year 12 is looking forward to their Graduation and Formal which will be in Term 4, dates to be confirmed.

Our Seniors competed in their last Ronnie Gibbs Gala Day this term, they should be commended on their sportsmanship.

Mr O'Connor



Faculties of the Fortnight: English/HSIE/LOTE/CAPA & Support Unit

English

This Term in English, Stage 4 have both been engaged in the reading of Australian texts. For some Year 7s, it is the first play they have acted out scripts and written their own. Year 8s having been exploring perspective through the range of opinions about Ned Kelly. Stage 5 have been exploring a range of non-fiction and fiction texts. Year 9 have been developing their own brands and making websites, promotional texts and even getting their own T shirts made. A graphic design company from Newcastle even Zoomed in to chat with the students about their designs. Year 10 have been exploring protest poetry. Stage 6 are coming to the end of their courses with Year 11 completing their final modules and Year 12 using feedback from their exams to make improvements and revise ready for their English Standard HSC Exam October 12th and 13th.

HSIE

This term Stage 4 are learning about ancient cultures. In Year 7, our new English/HSIE teacher Mr. Jay Mulherin has been teaching Ancient Egypt. Mr Mulherin is amazed at our student's engagement with the topic. Year 8 are learning about Vikings and Ancient China and have been amazed by the many astounding Chinese inventions, including the wheelbarrow, gunpowder, paper, printing, and silk. Stage 5 have been learning about Australians at in War WW1 and WW2 while Year 10 have been learning about Rights and Freedoms for Year 10. According to the Year 9s, their dramatisation of nations in conflict really helped them to understand the underlying causes of WW1.

LOTE

Stage 4 LOTE have been learning bush tucker. To help their learning LOTE students are getting ready for some very exciting excursions this term. They will be off to Lednapper to learning about country and hopefully see some blooming spring flowers and quandongs.

CAPA

Our Visual Arts program has gone viral having been promoted via the NSW Department of Education's Facebook page. Stage 4 completed several "Science type" experiments for Science Week where they experimented with colour. All their results can be seen on our school's Facebook page. Stage 5 have been learning about printmaking including marbling, sun prints, lino prints and mono printing while Stage 6 have been finishing up their courses.

Aboriginal Studies

Year 9/10 Aboriginal Studies students have been focussing on the topic Aboriginal peoples and technologies. They recently listened to Bruco explain how the seasons work in Bourke and took notes. They also handled some artefacts that are on display in the library.

The Library

Ms McGuigan has been flat out the last few weeks with Education Week, Book Week, Science Week and History Week. Students having been having a great time participating in activities and competitions. Ms McGuigan has also challenged to school to 'out read' her. With plenty of new and interesting titles in the library, it should not be hard for the whole school to read more books than Ms McGuigan.

Welcome Mr Jay Mulherin

The Bourke English/HSIE/LOTE/CAPA faculty is honoured to announce the recent arrival of a new staff member – Mr Jay Mulherin. Originally from Evan's Head, Mr Mulherin is claiming to be Bourke's number 1 surfer having held the title in Walgett and Lake Cargelligo. Mr Mulherin brings many years of experiences and is really enjoying his time.

















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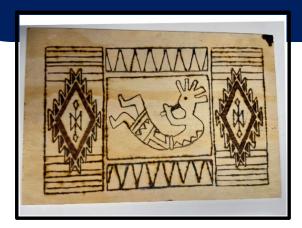
Support Unit

This semester students in the support classes have been actively involved in a range of activities. They have established a sensory garden with a range of plants that can be used for cooking or medicinal purposes. Students are now harvesting their plants and have been able to supply hospitality at school with some of their amazing produce.

Students have also been participating in opportunities to develop post school skills such as making coffee using the barista.

In HSIE this semester students have been learning about ancient cultures, with a focus on Native American culture. Students have been working hard on their Native American themed wood burn designs. Students spent a bit of time preparing their designs before burning. Benson has been working hard on a wood-burn design of Kokopelli, the Native American god of story, music, harvest, growth, and joy. Shakyle has been working on an eye-catching eagle design.

The students in the Support Unit have become sustainability minded citizens and established a recycling program at Bourke High School to reduce the waste that goes into landfill and to also educate students of the importance of recycling. Working together the students have designed recycling bins with pictures of items that can be placed into the bins. Bourke Shire council have kindly donated two bins to assist in the collection of recyclable items. The recycling program is also affiliated with Bourke laundry Inc, where students will redeem the refund on items. This money will be used towards projects around the school for the students. Students are looking forwards to counting how many bottles and cans they can save from landfill.

















Ronnie Gibbs Gala Day 2022

























Community & Employment POPULATION POPULATION

COBAR HIGH SCHOOL Tuesday 6th September 2022 9am - 2.30pm

BOURKE HIGH SCHOOL Wednesday 7th September 2022 9.30am - 2.30pm

Encouraging community engagement, volunteering and employmentfor our local community -within our local community.





Community members and school students attending from Years 5 to 12, from our schools, and surrounding communities.

VET Hospitality Catering provided for exhibitors and visitors, at each event





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This event/activity is required to be held in accordance with any current NSW Health COVID-19 Public Health Orders and the NSW Department of Education's policies and procedures. I acknowledge and accept that there is a risk that members of the community may be exposed to COVID-19 whilst attending and participating at this event. I confirm that we will not attend if displaying any symptoms of illness, and/or if directed to isolate under public health orders.

SCHOOL FAIR INFORMATION

The Exhibition Field (Prizes to be Won)

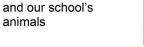
- 3:30-4:00 Clontarf Vs **Community Touch Football Competition**
- 4:00-4:30 Football passing competition
- 4:30-4:45 Running Race
- 5: -5:30 Cream Bun Eating Competition (register from 3:30)
- 5:30-5:45 Colour Run

- Games
- Plant Sale
- Book Sale
- Woodwork sale
- Chocolates
- Photo Booth
- Show Bags
- + More to be announced

Food

- Wood Fired pizza
- BBQ
- Slushies
- Fairy Floss
- Cheesecake
- Snow Cones
- Popcorn
- Soft Drinks

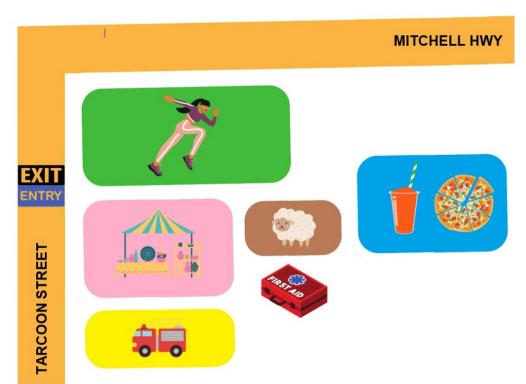




· See the local fire truck







Stalls