The completion of term 3 has seen yet again more fantastic work from our students. This has included our Athletics Carnival, a College orientation day for Year 10 students and the Year 9 Camp.

**Our Talented Students**
I wish to congratulate the photography students who are displaying their work around the school. Again, this year at the Parent Forum Group’s fundraising dinner held at the “Rocksalt” Restaurant, student artwork and woodwork were displayed for the diners. The artworks were part of a month long unit in the 9/10 2D Art class entitled “Self Portrait in Animal Form” and featured the animal forms of an “Eagle” and “Koi Fish”. The wood work featured the timber boxes made by the Yr 9/10 Woodwork class. All of the works received significant praise by the public and the restaurant owner. My congratulations go to the students for having their work recognised in this way.

**NAPLAN Results**
The individual report for students in years 7 and 9 from the NAPLAN literacy and numeracy testing was sent home with the Mid-Semester Reports. If any parent wishes to discuss their child’s report please contact Anne O’Neill to make an appointment.

**Mid-Semester Reports and Parent/Teacher Interviews**
The parent/teacher interview evening was conducted on Tuesday evening. If parents were unable to attend this important evening and still wish to discuss your child’s progress in a particular subject area, please contact the front office to arrange a time to speak with the teacher.

**Belconnen Day**
On friday of week 9 we held the Belconnen community day for the year. The event was extremely successful as we started our day with staff and students involved in tidying up an area of the school or the surrounding community. This resulted in a large amount of rubbish collected by our students at places like the Hawker Shops and around the Bowling Club. This was followed by stalls where students raised money for charity organisations and school projects. The day also included Belconnen’s Got Talent and trivia competitions. Congratulations to all students and staff on this wonderful day.
**Parent Forum Group**
I would like to congratulate the PFG on a highly successful fundraising dinner at “Rocksalt”. The evening was well attended with great food. Thank you to the Parent Forum group for their hard work in hosting these important events for parents and the school. I encourage all parents to participate in the forums as they both provide parents with valuable information and provide the school with feedback. Please watch the school notices for more information about the next forum.

**Building Work**
Preparations are on track for the removal of the link building during the Christmas holiday period. Renovations will be completed during these holidays to relocate Art, Pastoral Care and the PE weights room for the start of next term. During these holidays work will continue to remove the asbestos from the link building. For this reason the school will be closed to all visitors.

I wish all students and families a safe and enjoyable break and look forward to working with you in Term 4.

David McCarthy
Year 9 and 10 Electives 2015

Electives in 2015 will be offered on two lines each semester and are combined Year 9 and 10 classes. Current Year 8 and 9 students will be given information on the electives and the form to be returned during Week 1 Term 4. In the case of a class being over-prescribed, Year 10 students will have preference over Year 9 students if the form is returned and signed by a parent, by the due date Friday 31 October. Forms are to be returned to the boxes outside Mrs Whymark’s office. Selected Year 10 students will also be placed into Peer Support which will replace one of the lines in Semester 1.

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Diana Whymark  
Deputy Principal
On Friday last week, Belconnen High students and staff participated in Belconnen Day. The aim was for us to show the pride we have in our school and celebrate as a school community. The SRC was responsible for the organisation of the day and made sure that there was plenty of excitement and community spirit everywhere throughout the day.

The first hour of the day was taken up with cleaning, renovating and beautifying our school environs. Each pastoral care group nominated to work on a project around the school and all hands were on deck to complete as many projects as possible around the school. Windows, desks and walls were washed, gardens, ovals and courtyards were given a spruce up and tonnes of rubbish was collected and disposed of. Groups of students chose to head to the Hawker shops, Hawker primary school and Hawker playing fields as well as up and down Murranji Street to collect as much rubbish as they could and help keep our community beautiful.

Then all pastoral care groups helped raise funds for the school by running stalls/activities at break 1 or break 2. The students planned, prepared, set up, manned and clean up the stall/activity (with their friendly pastoral care leader guiding and assisting them.) The food stalls included pizza, bbq, hot dogs, hot chips, fairy floss, chocolate, pancakes, cakes, crepes, hot noodles, popcorn, and of course drinks. Our activity stalls included sock wrestling, putt putt golf, chopper bike rides, balloon darts, footy and sponge throwing, dance revolution and tattoos.

One year 9 pastoral care group ran “Belconnen’s Got Talent “ where our talented students performed for the whole school after they had made it through the gruelling audition process held earlier in the term. Congratulations to all the contestants who auditioned and those who bravely performed in front of us all. So much talent, so much courage and so much appreciation was shown during the hour long show.

Finally in the afternoon, the SRC ran a trivia quiz challenge in pastoral care groups to see who really is the smartest and best at general knowledge. Congratulations to Ms Harries year 8 group who narrowly won over a Year 9 and Year 10 pastoral care group. They will be enjoying a pizza lunch put on by the SRC next term.

A huge thank you must go out to all the parents who donated money and produce for stalls and students and staff who put in so much effort to make this year’s Belconnen Day another successful event on our calendar.

Sue Smith
Pastoral Care
Helping those Teenage Kids

An excellent night was had by all who came along to hear Amanda McCarthy, a Senior Mental Health Social Worker at Calvary Private Hospital, tell us how we can help our teenage kids with their self-esteem, coping skills and resilience.

The forum was well attended and a summary of the presentation is on the PFG website.

Oh How Divine

Parents, friends and teachers enjoyed an amazingly scrumptious meal at RockSalt restaurant on the 15th September.

Thank you to Chris and staff for an enjoyable night and fantastic food. Also a thank you goes to John Wilson from Liquor Legends in Hawker who provided our lucky door prizes.

The artwork and woodwork was once again admired by all the patrons with some generating a lot of interest.

Joy Burch to visit BHS

Joy Burch is coming to BHS to discuss the government’s vision for ACT education, emphasising parent engagement in schools. Stay tuned to this space for dates when they are finalised.

We’d love to hear your ideas for forums or social nights, please email ideas to bhspfg@gmail.com

If you would like to be included on the PFG email list, please email bhspfg@gmail.com

Coming Events

Monday
20th October, 2014
P&C Meeting
Conference Room
6.30pm

Saturday
13th December
Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser
Helpers Wanted
Email bhspfg@gmail.com

If you can help

Uniform Shop
Open every Monday
During term
2:30 to 3:00pm
Second Hand Uniform Shop
Open every Monday
2.30pm until 3.00pm

The uniform shop is located within the old gym around the corner from the canteen.

A big THANKYOU to those who have donated uniform items to the shop this term. We had 6 names in the draw for a $30 iTunes card...all boys' names!? (Come on girls!!! Don't let the guys win all the prizes!!!) The winner of the "inaugural iTunes card draw" was Alex Wenke. Congratulations Alex. We will have at least 2 more draws before the end of term 4 so remember to include your name with your donations if you want to go in the draw. Year 10 students please think about donating your school uniform as you celebrate your graduation.

We realise not everyone can get to the shop on Mondays between 230 and 3pm for a browse, so feel free to give us a call if you have a query about available items. We have a very rapid turnover of certain items, so if you know what size you want and we don't have it we can put you on the "wish list" and call you IF we get it donated!

We currently have a few pairs of smaller size long pants and shorts (boys and girls), NO jumpers, jackets or fleeces and LOTS of PE shirts, including red and white ones.

We are really thankful for the support the second hand shop is getting from this wonderful school community.

Contact Lorraine Myatt on 0407 108 621 or Toni Jones on 0403 848 064.

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17, 18 & 19 OCTOBER 2014
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Official Opening by Alex Sloan
ABC 666 afternoon presenter

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Entry by donation
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**HOLIDAYS - Thursday 18th December 2014 to Sunday 1st February 2015**

**Return Monday 2nd February 2015**