PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Tell them from me
I would like to invite all parents and interested community members to participate in an online survey aimed at informing us how we are performing as a school. The survey is titled “Tell Them From Me” and is organised by the Department of Education. The survey takes about five minutes to complete and is answered by simply pointing and clicking. To access the survey, go to the school’s website:

www.barham-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

click on the “our school” tab at the top of the page and down to the “Tell Them From Me” link on the Left Hand Side of the page.

I would really appreciate as many families as possible engage with the process, it will allow us to gain an insight on how we are performing as well as future directions for improvement. The survey remains open until October 16.

Year 10 interviews
Following on from the success of “get that job day” where Year 10 students learned all about presentation and interviewing skills, they engaged in mock interviews last week. Congratulations to all involved in this important event. The students rose to the challenge and presented themselves as quality candidates for the fictional occupation they chose to be interviewed on.

Fairfax festival
Students from Years 8 and 9 have been preparing busily all term for the Fairfax Festival held in Swan Hill. Many thanks to Miss Smee who has been “cracking the whip” and directing the rehearsals in order to produce a show of high quality.

Footy Colours Day
Congratulations to all involved in this year’s Footy Colour’s Day. Through the wonderful support of the coin line and proceeds from the sale of hot food on the day, Barham High School has been able to donate $880.35 to help fight cancer. Congratulations to Year 12 who generated the longest coin line.

Hats
As the weather warms up it is prudent to remind everybody that students are expected to wear hats when outside during terms 1 and 4. As a sun safe option, the Purple Patch stock green bucket hats which have been approved and recommended by the Barham High School P&C Association. Students are required to wear a hat both during break times and during sport/PE.
Holidays

Thank you to everyone within our Barham High School learning community for another great term. I wish our year 12 students every success as they take the next few weeks to prepare for their HSC examination.

Glenn Buchanan

Relieving Principal

2015 Stage 5 Grampians Excursion

Preliminary information and the permission note regarding this excursion have been issued to students earlier this term. The Grampians excursion will take place in week 7 term 4 from Monday 16th November to Wednesday 18th November. The total cost is $230.00 which covers all meals and activities and I have suggested that payments could be made by instalments. Every effort will be made to get every Stage 5 student to attend. Bookings have been completed with Achievement Dynamics, the outdoor ed company running the abseiling and rock climbing activities, and with Tandara, our accommodation providers, so we are ready to go! If you did not receive the information sheet please ask your child to pick one up from their teacher, check the BHS website under ‘Excursions’ or contact the school directly.

The Grampians is coming 16th-18th November for All Stage 5
OLIVER IS HERE

The Department has introduced a new school library system called OLIVER. Barham High School changed over to this system on September 8th.

The new system offers anywhere, anytime access to online learning materials and supports interactive engagement with digital and physical resources. Access will be fast, easy and flexible, via staff and student portals.

With the new system, schools will have the option to integrate a wide range of online resources, including eBooks and other interactive digital content. Students will be able to check loans, make reservations and receive alerts, search, request and rate resources, publish reviews, access resource lists and develop bibliographies.

Welcome Oliver!

2015 RACI CRYSTAL GROWING COMPETITION

Barham High School once again entered the RACI (Royal Australian Chemical Institute – NSW Branch) Crystal Growing Competition. 7K, under the watchful eye of Kerri Lolicato, worked meticulously to grow their crystals during Term 2. Crystal growing requires a high level of patience and commitment, both of which 7K displayed in bunches, along with a lot of enthusiasm. We are very excited to announce that our crystals, grown here at BHS, were this year’s BEST crystals in NSW!

Results for the Years 7&8 Division

1st = place: Class Entry - Year 7K (Crystal 5), Year 7, Barham High School
Class Entry - Year 7K (Crystal 6), Year 7, Barham High School

2nd = place: Group Entry – Tessa Fasham, Lauren Gleeson and Felicity Macauley (Crystal 12), Year 7, Barham High School
Group Entry – Cayden Keiller and Blake Nicholas, Year 7, Barham High School

4th = place: Group Entry – Kaydn Wallace and Wesley Clark, Year 7, Barham High School

Highly Commended: Class Entries – Y7RK, Year 7; Year 7K (Crystal 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10), Year 7; Group Entries – Victoria Cook, Maddison McGowan and Elizabeth Amor, Year 7; Michael Sampson and Samuel Cruse (Crystals 14 and 19), Year 7; Tessa Fasham, Lauren Gleeson and Felicity Macauley (Crystal 18), Year 7; Barham High School.

Plus several finalists!

Three of our crystals will go onto the Australian Competition and we are crossing our fingers that they perform their sparkly best!

A massive thank you must go to crystal growing guru Kerri Lolicato whose expert guidance has been very much appreciated!
One of our award winning crystals

Crystals looking their shiny best
Careers news………

Year 10 Careers

The annual Mock Interview program was held on Tue 8th September and the Year 10 students presented themselves admirably. Their high standard of dress, preparation and positive approach to the experience was excellent. This event and invaluable learning experience would not be possible without local businesses offering their time and expertise to conduct the interviews. We would like to thank the following local employers for participating in 2015; Barham Meats, Stanton Insurance, Murray Blu Clothing & Things, Mawson’s Truck & Tractor, Elders, Mitre 10, Purple Patch, Charles L. King Real Estate and Riverside Café.
Footy Colours Day

On Friday 11\textsuperscript{th} September BHS held the annual footy colours day. Students were encouraged to wear their footy team colours and bring in their coins for the coin line challenge. Overall, we raised over $700 for the fight against cancer through the coin line, which was a fantastic effort. A special mention must go Year 12 who made a very generous contribution.

Mr McConnell took out the trophy for the footy tipping competition this year, with Miss Radley not that far behind him. Thank you to all the students who participated and we hope to see everyone involved next year.

The longest kick competition was well represented again this year. The results are as follows:

- **Male longest kick winner**: Jacob Barrington - 54.13m
- **Female**: Olivia Maffescioni - 31.75m

Finalists:
- Yr 7 - Wes Baxter - 43.10m
- Yr 8 - Morgan Turvey - 41.3m
- Yr 9 - Uli VanRensburg - 41.05m, Macey Bott - 24.80m
- Yr 10 - Todd Frankling 45.48m, Georgia Andrew-Mills 26.80m
- Yr 12 - Jay Skate 52.27m, Emma Membrey 25.10m

Thanks to Mr Yu for the organisation and BJ, Blake, Jack and Mr Wren for helping out.

A big thank you to the SRC who did a wonderful job organising lunch for students and all the students who got their lunch orders in on time. It was fantastic to see our community get behind this wonderful cause. The lunch raised an additional $200.

Overall, we raised $880.35 for the fight against cancer which was an incredible effort. Well done BHS.

*Barham High School in their footy colours*
Yr 7 participating in the coin line

Students organising their coin lines

Mr Yu congratulating the winner of the longest kick
Barham High School P&C AGM will be held at the school on the 19th October 2015 @ 7:00pm. ALL PARENTS AND CARERS ARE WELCOME.

All positions will be declared vacant and nominations will be accepted for all positions. We require at least 2 positions to be filled due to families finishing at our school at the completion of the year 12 exams.

If you are interested in either of the following positions please contact Sharon McGuiness or Susan O’Neill for more details.

- P&C Treasurer – not a huge job as most of the transactions are done by the canteen treasurer.

- Cleaning Co-ordinator – We clean the reception centre after a funeral has hosted the wake there and the funeral directors pay us for this. This position is just to receive the calls from the funeral directors and then organise someone to clean. At the moment our co-ordinator usually cleans also (unless she is unavailable) as she can’t make it to meetings so that is her contribution to the P&C, She has found this is a great way of helping our school without having to attend the monthly meetings.

2016 Barham Deb Ball Meeting

Sunday 20th September

12 Noon @ Barham Preschool

Enquiries :- Kylie 0418 431164 or Kelly 0428 583108

Happy holidays
KOONDROOK BARHAM FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB PRESENTS

RAIDERS
IN REVIEW

2015 PRESENTATION NIGHT

Friday 2nd October 2015
@ clubBarham Auditorium
Doors open at 6pm for a 6:30pm start

DRESS TO IMPRESS

ADULTS: $20

SUBSTANTIAL FINGER FOOD
FOR CHILDREN & ADULTS

TICKETS MUST BE BOOKED
BY 23RD SEPTEMBER

JANE: 0400448418 OR JULIE: 0429841699

CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT