

NEWSLETTER

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AN INTERNATIONALLY ACCREDITED SCHOOL INSPIRING RESPECT FOR PEOPLE, COMMUNITY AND TRADITION, POSITIONING OUR STUDENTS FOR ACHIEVEMENT IN THE GLOBAL COMMUNITY.



END OF TERM 2 AND THE START OF TERM 3

We welcome back all of our students and families to the start of Term 3. We have welcomed many new students at the end of Term 2 and the beginning of this term.

The last few weeks of Term 2 saw a number of staff undertaking compulsory International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program Level 3 Curriculum training. Staff travelled to Melbourne for the three day training interacting with other teachers and expert IBMYP Curriculum trainers. The training was coincided with the release of the new curriculum guides. This means that from 2015 there will be a change in the assessment criteria for all IBMYP subjects. Also, what was called Humanities is now called Individuals and Societies, and English is now called Language and Literature and what was called Language B is now called Language Acquisition. The staff who undertook the training will work with curriculum teams at the school, making required changes and reflecting the developments of the IBMYP: Next Chapter. Highlighted in more detail in this newsletter is the wonderful opportunity for three of our staff to travel to Seattle to be involved in the 'Big History Project'.

Student achievements continued to be a focus with our netball and dance students. The netball students participated in the Waverly International Netball Competition. As always, their participation, attitude and behaviour represented the best of young people. Particular congratulations to the Senior Team Red that made it through to the finals.

In the State finals of the Dance Stars Competition four of the five teams reached the Australian Nationals. The teams will be travelling to the Gold Coast from 6 to 10 August. We wish the girls all the very best as they compete at the national level. They will be putting in a significant amount of preparation prior to departing and their scheduled performance times.

STAFF UPDATES

The term has seen Craig Duguid return from leave and take up the Deputy Principal role for the first four weeks whilst David Garrett is on leave. Steve Brown will continue as the Assistant Principal: Middle School and Student Wellbeing

SACE PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

Thank you to the Year 10 and 11 parents/caregivers who attended the SACE Parent Information session on 29 July. It is important that parents and caregivers have accurate information to support their children in the upcoming course counselling process. Some parents at the evening requested the power points be loaded onto the school website. This has been done and they can be accessed at <http://www.bhs.sa.edu.au/curriculum/course-counselling/> or more information is available on the South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE) website at <https://www.sace.sa.edu.au/the-sace/students-families>

STAYING ON TASK AND STAYING FOCUSED

This term marks the rapid movement of Year 12 in to the final stages of their work for the completion of 12 years of schooling. It is important students remain focussed, commit to balancing school, work and leisure as well as completing all assessment tasks.

For Year 8 to 11 students it is important that they continue to work on completing tasks and working with their teachers. There is still a significant amount of future left of Semester 2 where students can build on their successes from Semester 1 from staying on task and staying focused and apply improvement strategies to continue to progress in their learning.

CALENDAR

- Mon 4 August**
SAPOL Cybersafety
Parent/Caregiver Seminar
6.30pm-8pm
Senior Learning Centre
- Tues 5 August**
Principal's Tour 9am
Governing Council Mtg
7pm Conference Room
- Wed 6 August**
SATAC Information
Evening 6.30pm
Himeji Exchange Students
Arrive
- Thur 7 August**
Australian Math Comp
- Fri 8 - Sun 10 August**
CASUAL CLOTHES DAY
State Dance Stars
Competition Gold Coast
Science Alive Excursion
- Mon 11 August**
Year 10-11 Subject
Counselling 10am-8pm
- Tue 12 & Wed 13 August**
Whole School Production
- Sat 17 August**
Himeji Exchange Students
Depart
- Sat 17 – Sat 23 August**
Year 10 Ski Trip
- Tue 19 August**
Ushiku HS Study Tour
Arrives
- Wed 20 August**
Senior Music Night
- Thur 21 August**
Southern Science Expo
- Wed 27 August**
Gaming & Social
Networking Night for
Parents/Caregivers
7pm Senior Learning Cntr
- Sat 30 August**
Ushiku HS Depart



YEAR 12 FORMAL

On Friday 25 July about 180 young people came together at the Adelaide Convention Centre for the Year 12 Formal. I would like to congratulate our Year 12 students and partners for their exemplary behaviour. A number of the Convention Centre staff spoke to us about how mature and responsible they were. From my perspective they modelled the school's 'Culture of Respect' in an outstanding manner. Congratulations to our MC's for the evening Marina Dellar-Evans and Ethan Quigley.

CAMP GALLIPOLI AMBASSADORS

Students have the opportunity to become Camp Gallipoli Ambassadors coinciding with the 100th anniversary of Gallipoli. Students can enter this competition by writing in no more than sixty words, 'What the Anzac Spirit mean to them'. Entries are open 22 July to 1 September. Further information can be provided to students by Raphael Zadey.

ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

As we start the new term it is important that students attend school regularly and are absent a little as possible. Not attending school has multiple risk factors for students.

- On an individual level it can impact on the ability of students to be successful as they have gaps in their knowledge and skill base.
- Teachers and other staff are able to identify needs of students including learning and wellbeing. When students do not attend it increases the chances that specific needs are not identified and addressed.
- Absence from school can lead to minimal formation of peer relationships which may impact on a young person's future capacity to relate to their peers and work collaboratively and cooperatively.

Where an absence from school is unavoidable, parents and caregivers can:

- Ring the school on 8278 0900
- Send an email to student.absence@bhs.sa.edu.au or
- Write a note in your child's diary.

We appreciate the timely information about student absences provided by families, as we are required to code all student absences.

PARENT SEMINARS

This term there are two seminars organised and designed for parents and caregivers to understand and support their children.

The first is on Cybersafety with representatives from the Australian Communication and Media Association (ACMA) on Monday 4 August from 6.30pm until 8pm in the Senior Learning Centre.

The seminar will cover:

- The way children use the internet and emerging technologies
- Potential risks online
- Tips and strategies to help children stay safe online

If you have not already registered for the seminar, please contact Linda Bain on 82780942 or email linda.bain@bhs.sa.edu.au.

The second seminar is on Wednesday 27 August by Kirllie Smout - Educational Psychologist who will present a seminar of 'Gaming and Social Networking' at 7pm in the Senior Learning Centre. Further information regarding this Seminar is in on page 13 of this newsletter and an invitation will be emailed out to all families closer to the day. Please put this date in your diary.

PARKING IN THE BLACKWOOD RECREATION CENTRE

Parents and Caregivers are reminded that there is no parking for dropping off or collecting students from Blackwood High School in the Recreation Centre carpark. The carpark is only for patrons of the Recreation Centre.

BLACKWOOD ACTION GROUP

This year a number of students have been working with the Blackwood Action Group, to write articles using primary sources of information to be published in the Blackwood Times. In the July edition, Year 12 student Rachael Thompson has an article published about Daniel John Hewett 'Building Blackwood Stone by Stone'. If you would like to read this article click the link below and go to page 4:

<http://static.squarespace.com/static/51e0a7dae4b09140da99c53c/t/53b24abbe4b0b072e17d1b95/1404193467572/236%20-%20July%2014%20no%20cover.pdf>

DIPPS PRESENTATION

On 3 July Shahin Javadifar received his certificate for completion of the Defence Industry Pathways Program (DIPP). He was one of fourteen students selected for the program. The photograph is of Shahin with his submarine prototype design using computer software and with his model.



This program has been supported by ASC and is another initiative to encourage students to be involved in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).

SPIRIT OF SCIENCE

Year 10 and 11 students interested in Science, Mathematics or Information Technology can apply to travel to the Royal Institution of Great Britain Christmas Lectures in London. All expenses paid.

Students who can apply include;

- Those eligible for School card
- Girls
- Who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
- Under the Guardianship of the Minister
- Must hold an Australian passport at the time of travel.

For further information go to <http://www.decd.sa.gov.au/teachingandlearning/pages/pandp/Spiritofscience/> or see Mr Jarrod Chave.

GENERATION 2050 – PROJECT FEED THE WORLD CONFERENCE

Year 10 to 12 students interested in agriculture and/or science have the opportunity to explore the University of New England (UNE) School of Environmental and Rural Science. One hundred students across the Australia can apply for the Generation 2050: Project Feed the World conference from 7 to 10 December 2014. The residential conference will be held at UNE Armidale NSW. Applications close 1 September 2014.

Visit www.generation2050.com.au to complete the online application. Further information Amy Cosby (02)67732196 or acosby2@une.edu.au.

DECD STRATEGIC PLAN 2014 -2017

A message from the Education Department Chief Executive, Mr Tony Harrison

New plan to guide our Blackwood High School

Helping young South Australians to achieve their best and to be healthy and safe are the priorities of our department's new strategic plan.

The Department for Education and Child Development's *Strategic Plan 2014-2017* outlines how we will make our public education system even stronger over the next four years.

The plan identifies six priority areas that seek to improve learning achievement, health and wellbeing, child safety, community engagement and timely access to services.

Our Chief Executive Tony Harrison says: "Our immediate priority is to lift the standard of service provided within our organisation and to the community.

"We will strive for excellence, to earn trust, to build and strengthen relationships – especially with children and young people, their parents, carers and the community.

"We will involve communities in decisions that affect them. Above all, we will listen," Mr Harrison says.

For more information, visit www.decd.sa.gov.au/strategicplan.

INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIAN ENGINEERING SUMMER SCHOOL (IAESS) 2015

The Indigenous Australian Engineering Summer School will occur from 11-17 January 2015. The IAESS will be held at The University of Sydney and is open to students who will be entering Year 11 and 12 in 2015. The Summer School is fully funded covering all activities, accommodation, flights and meals.

Applications close on 17 October 2014. For further information and an application form please contact Michael Winter at the school on 82780900.

NATIONAL SELF-DETECTION PROGRAM FOR SCOLIOSIS (NSDP)

July and August is the time that girls in Year 9 should participate in the NSDP. This can be done by going to www.scoliosis-australia.org. Scoliosis is curvature of the spine and is an important health issue for adolescent girls and 25 per thousand are at risk of developing significant curvature. Three girls per thousand require a spinal brace or surgery. Early detection can occur for girls around 11-13 years.

The website contains information about the symptoms and treatment of scoliosis. There is also a forum where girls and their parents and caregivers can get general advice from certified specialists.

Marion Coady - Principal

COURSE COUNSELLING AND SUBJECT SELECTION FOR 2015

In the last two newsletters our Deputy Principal, David Garret, has provided an overview of what to expect regarding choosing subjects for next year. Students and families have been thinking about possible careers, further training and education, as well as school subjects that students might wish to choose. There were many valuable tips for parents/caregivers and students in these newsletters to support families during the Course Counselling process. Please follow this link to access the last two school newsletters online. <http://www.bhs.sa.edu.au/newsletter/>

The 2015 Curriculum Prospectus is available on the school website <http://www.bhs.sa.edu.au/curriculum/curriculum-prospectus/>. We advise students and families to read information about our Middle School and Senior School curriculum as well as the subjects that we are offering for 2015. Students can read about subjects that they are interested in studying and use the flow charts to see where they lead through each of the year levels.



Course Counselling Day for 2015 Subjects for Year 10 and 11 students

Year 10 and 11 students have received information, sent home via Care Groups, that provides an explanation about the Course Counselling process. Students should have brought home a letter and a subject selection form. Parents/Caregivers of students in Year 10 and 11 are now invited to make an appointment for a course counselling interview on 11 August between 10:00 am – 8:00 pm.

To accommodate these interviews, no formal lessons will be scheduled for Year 10 and 11 students. Students will attend for their appointment only and need to be accompanied by a parent/caregiver. For Year 10 students, these interviews will be with Care Group teachers, as students will plan and deliver a roundtable presentation that will be assessed as part of their compulsory SACE Stage 1 Personal Learning Plan (PLP).

Please click on the sobs link www.sobs.com.au/pt/parent.php to book your Course Counselling appointment.

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Parent/Teacher
Interview Bookings

To book your
parent/caregiver teacher
interviews
www.sobs.com.au/pt/parent.php

Course Counselling for Year 8 and 9 Students

Year 8 and 9 students will have received information about subject selection for 2015 during Weeks 1 and 2 of Term 3. Students should have brought home a letter and a subject selection form. This needs to be filled out at home and returned to the school via Care Group teachers.

After the Course Counselling process decisions will be made about which subjects will run based on the number of students who have selected them. We then use a re-counselling process to ensure that every student has a suitable fulltime program for 2015.

If you have any questions about the Course Counselling process for your child or require a copy of the letter or subject selection form, this is available at <http://www.bhs.sa.edu.au/curriculum/course-counselling/>. Please contact your child's Care Group teacher or their Year Level Leader (as below) should you require more information.

Year 8 - Rogan Tinsley (rogan.tinsley@bhs.sa.edu.au) and Steve Brown (steve.brown@bhs.sa.edu.au)

Year 9 - Janet Bradley (janet.bradley@bhs.sa.edu.au) and Steve Brown (steve.brown@bhs.sa.edu.au)

Year 10 - Lindy Bartlett (lindy.bartlett@bhs.sa.edu.au) and Craig Duguid (craig.duguid@bhs.sa.edu.au)

Year 11 - Ben Dening (ben.dening@bhs.sa.edu.au) and Mary Hodson (mary.hodson@bhs.sa.edu.au)

**Craig Duguid - Deputy Principal
(Weeks 1 – 4 Term 3)**

AS COMPUTING SKILLS COMPETITION 2014

Congratulations to the following students who performed exceptionally well in the ICAS Computing Skills competition. For this competition the highest award is a Distinction and indicates the student has performed within the top 10% of the country. The next highest is a credit, followed by a merit.

Yr 8

Kingsley Rosmann- **Distinction**
Jing Lim –**Distinction**

Yr 9

Kelly Whitehead- Credit
Jonathan Trice- Merit

Yr 10

Tim Rowley- Credit
Nathaniel Ramesh- Credit
Parsa Shorofi- Credit
Ian Douglas- Merit

Well done to all students who participated. The students will be presented with their full results and certificates in the coming weeks.

Jarrod Chave - Senior Leader: Innovations in Science & Technology

2014 HEIT PROGRAM

Thursday, July 3 saw the culmination of the 2014 inaugural Humanities, English and Information Technology Program (HEIT), with a graduation ceremony for the twenty eight primary school participants. The program, designed by Blackwood High School teachers Adelle Matthews and Jess Rogers, saw the provision of an integrated learning program that providing Year 7 students from Blackwood, Eden Hills, Hawthorndene, Bellevue Heights and Belair Primary Schools with the opportunity to explore a range of media and publishing technologies, generate an understanding of history concepts and cultural identify, and undertake hands-on researching over a five week period. This culminated in the production and publication of filmed advertisements, newspaper articles and a wiki, that together tell the story of South Australia's historic Port Adelaide. The product of our 2014 HEIT program can be viewed at <https://heitprogram2014.wikispaces.com/>

The first session saw the enthusiastic Year 7 cohort studying a range of film techniques and approaches that would be utilised over the remaining weeks. This included identifying camera shots and angles, directorial techniques, the operation of still and video cameras and the development of storyboards.

One of the many highlights of the HEIT course was a full day excursion to Port Adelaide that provided the students with the opportunity to shine as they combined researching, interviewing, camera and filming-making techniques in order to generate the raw material for their productions. The group divided into four mixed teams, combining students from all five schools, and visited the South Australian Maritime Museum, the National Railway Museum and the shipwrecks of Port Adelaide Inner Harbour.

A survey conducted by the program presenters indicated that the program was well received by the students, with requests for a repeat of the program and acknowledgement of the opportunities and challenges that it provided.

Like any successful program, the HEIT program utilised the efforts and abilities of a range of talented and hardworking people. On behalf of the school I would like to acknowledge the leadership and organisational skills of the Head of Senior School, Mary Hodson, and the long hours of talented curriculum planning, development and delivery provided by Adelle Matthews and Jess Rogers. I would also like to acknowledge the cooperation and support of our friends at Blackwood, Eden Hills, Hawthorndene, Bellevue Heights and Belair Primary Schools.

Blackwood High School will again offer the program in 2015.

Mr Raphael Zadey - Senior Leader: Innovation in English and Humanities



DEBATING – ROUND 4

Blackwood's involvement in debating this year has been both challenging and exhilarating; a new experience for the school and an activity that has borne fruits. We are now entering the final two rounds and our teams are starting to show the development, skill, discipline and tenacity that we know was present all along. On Tuesday 22 July in the evening Harry Ashwell, Cameron O'Connell and Jackson Rose threw down the challenge to Glenunga International High School in a spirited debate hosted by St Peter's Girls, arguing that the adoption of ANZAC Day, in place of Australia Day, as our national day of celebration, was inappropriate.

We never get to choose our debate topics, and taking on what some might consider the unpopular task of challenging ANZAC's significance to Australia would not be anyone's first choice. Harry, Cameron and Jackson were up to the challenge, generating a series of powerful points that carried them to within two points of winning the round, and at the same time acknowledging the significance to our nation of the events of both 1788 and 1915. The boys' development over the last ten weeks has been astounding. For those present; parents, Ms Coody, Ms Hodson and myself, the change was remarkable and bodes well for the final two rounds of the completion and our ongoing participation in South Australian Debating Association (SADA) in 2015.



Mr R. Zadey -Senior Leader: English & Humanities

(from left) Harry Ashwell, Cameron O'Connell and Jackson Rose

TEACHER FINALIST IN SCIENCE EXCELLENCE AWARDS

Dr Tinsley has been selected as a finalist in the SA Science Excellence Awards. The Science Excellence Awards are the most prestigious of their kind in the State and showcase the critical importance of science and research to the development of industry and our society as a whole. The Awards are divided into numerous categories, including SA Scientist of the Year, PhD Research Excellence and Early Career STEM Professional. Dr Tinsley is one of four teachers in the running to be named Early Career STEM Educator of the Year.

Dr Tinsley teaches Year 8 Mathematics and Science, Year 11 and 12 Biology and is the Year 8 Leader. He was a finalist in the same category last year.

You can show your support by voting for him in the People's Choice Awards.

Just visit:

<http://www.dfeest.sa.gov.au/Science-research/Science-Awards/Peoples-Choice/ViewEntry/21/Dr-Rogan-Tinsley>



We wish Rogan the very best in the final stages of this prestigious award and congratulate him on his achievements so far.

Jarrod Chave: Senior Leader: Innovations in Science & Technology

UNIVERSITY VISITS

During Term 3 the Year 12's are visited by staff from each of the major Universities to inform students about what is available at each of their institutions.

First up this year was the University of South Australia. Olivia and Dannielle ran students through the opportunities available at UniSA and also through the complexities of University Application and transition to University study.

The remaining Universities will be attending in the weeks listed below.

- Week 4- Flinders University
- Week 7- University of Adelaide

Anyone wanting information regarding SATAC tertiary application, should also attend the SATAC Information Night on 6 August at 6:30pm in the PAC.



YEAR 11 TERM 2 AWARDS

Congratulations to all the outstanding Year 11 award winners in Term 2.

Academic Excellence

Cintya I Gusti AYU Agung
Christopher Williams
Georgian Brown
Dempsey Charlton
Madeliene Green
Siviana Sivam
Paige Keenihan
Payton Plummer-Height
Zachary Stolinski

Academic Achievements

Nadine Hutchison
Bradley Nottle-Justice
Alexandra Karstens
Jing Wan
Rory Caire-McCaul
Stephanie Clark
Jesse Coleman-Jones
Lachlan Hunt
Louis MacConnell
Callum Goodhand
Jaesung Bae

Culture of Respect AAA Awards

Luke Beenham
Willem Mallee
Jasmin Collins
Thomas Shillabeer
Asha Thurlow
Gabriella Grant

Year Level Leader Award

Carmen Britton



YEAR 12 TERM 2 AWARDS

The Year 12 cohort came together for our first assembly of Term 3 to recognize the outstanding achievements of our students.

High Academic success was recognized through certificates of Academic Merit for students who recorded straight A's in all of their subjects and Certificates of Academic Achievement for those with A grades for the majority of their subjects. Along with this we also continued a tradition introduced in 2012 to recognize students displaying the school's 'Culture of Respect'. The Culture of Respect AAA award acknowledges students who display not only Academic excellence but Attitude, Attendance and Achievement.

We congratulate these students and look forward to seeing even more following their example for the home stretch of 2014.

Academic Excellence

Daniel Hill
Eduard Pistorious
Daniel Mosler
Corey Bridger

Academic Achievements

Caitlin Merlin
Fern Buranasak
Rachael Thompson
Taylah Grigg
Ashlee Grigg
Nicole Williams
Jess Mayman
Madeleine McCarthy

Culture of Respect AAA Awards

Yvonne Ingabire
Bianca Britt
Sophie Watchmann
Aimee Johnson
Maddie Meldrum
Dirk Van Diujn
Zac Cavouras

Year Level Leader Award

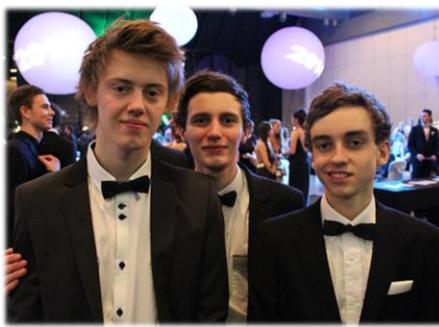
Mel Gogler



YEAR 12 FORMAL

This year's Year 12 Formal took place on Friday 25 July at the Adelaide Convention Centre. Over 170 students, staff and guests attended to enjoy the three course meal, Awards and lots of time on the dance floor. Blackwood High School would like to thank the staff at the Adelaide Convention Centre for their outstanding service and also the students and their guests for displaying what great members of the community this school is producing.

Ben Denning - Year 12 Leader



PERFORMING ARTS NEWS

We are now in final rehearsals for the 2014 production *What Show Is It Anyway?* and we're really excited about the way it is shaping up.

Jake (Matt Albrecht) is 'a loser' – and writer and producer of the School Production. Unfortunately he hasn't written the script yet – and promised the lead role to 6 or 7 people. Each one wants a different sort of show, so Jake promises them **50's High School Rock** meets **60's cute** meets **Rhythm'n'Blues Road Trip** meets **Creature Feature** meets **Classic Fairytale With Music**, meets **Dance Movie** and anything else he and his sidekick Andy (Rhys Hopkins) can think of. The Stage Door is being battered down by a variety of irate would-be stars, including Retro Queen (Caitlin Merlin), R&B Diva (Madeline Winter), Dance Mafiosa (Jess Pyke), Musical Princess (Mollie Mooney), the weird and wicked Georgia Cosercas and Stephanie Clark, and Cool Brothers Ronan Naidu and Brandon Bice – but they all pale into insignificance when fronted with Dangerous Danni (Marina Deller-Evans), whose father is the principal of the school, and the most barbaric and ruthless principal in Adelaide!

An entertaining showcase of musical numbers from all sorts of different types of musicals, featuring great singing and dancing interspersed with a little bit of comedy, this year's school production is short sharp and shiny. The show is suitable for all year levels. Two reasonably short Acts with an interval – with warming drinks and yummy treats served before the show and during interval by our fabulous World Challenge Team members raising funds for their next big adventure.

Bookings are now open. It's numbered seating, so if you want front row, centre seats, you'll need to get in quickly at www.trybooking.com/FLYP There will be some tickets at the door, but now is not the weather to be queued in a long line outside the PAC to get your tickets – and the process will be longer with people choosing seat rows and numbers. If you have any difficulty booking, please ring Sharna Granpre-Moliere. Email: sharna.granpre-moliere@bhs.sa.edu.au Phone: 8278 0929

We're also really excited that after several years of hiring in extra lights for our big shows, we have actually purchased some **new LED multi-coloured stage lights** and will be installing them in time for the show. These lights will be controlled by our new lighting system and will be both more economical and more environmentally responsible. Proceeds from the Production will go towards the cost of these new lights, so please come along, and bring lots of friends and family with you.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Robyn Trebilcock - Arts Leader

Congratulations to Callum Goodhand who was involved in the Adelaide International Guitar Festival this month. He was one of the students nominated to participate in the Adelaide Guitar Festival Orchestra that opened the performance of Stolechelo Rosenberg Trio on Sunday 20 July 2014. This unique feature of the Adelaide International Guitar Festival provided primary and secondary guitar students with wonderful opportunities to experience concert performance on a large scale.

The ability to create an 80 strong ensemble of guitars that 'sounded as one' was a credit to the direction of Paul Svoboda and the technical and musical prowess of the students who ranged from age 10 to 23. The 80 student guitar ensemble that performed pieces like 'Crazy Little Thing Called Love' and 'The Green Glens of Gweedor' were joined by acclaimed Aurora Guitar Ensemble and later by Slava and Leonard Grigoryan to rousing applause and admiration.

For Callum, it was a unique opportunity to perform at the Festival Theatre in a 'massive orchestra'. He enjoyed interacting with other competent guitar students from around the State and to being extended in creating textures, techniques and styles that he did not know was possible on the humble acoustic guitar.

Brigitte Esvelt - Drama Teacher



Blackwood High School
proudly presents

What show is it, anyway?
by Robyn Trebilcock-Sanders

August 12th & 13th

11am & 7.30pm

Adults \$12
Conc \$8

Performing Arts Centre

Tickets available on trybooking.com/FLYP

STATE DANCE STARS FINALS

Congratulations to the students for their performances at the State Dance Stars Finals that were performed at Westminster College on Saturday 28 June.

Four teams have progressed to the Nationals to be held in the Gold Coast from 8 to 10 August.

- Senior Hip Hop
- Junior theatrical
- Senior theatrical
- Senior contemporary

The results were as follows:

Senior Hip Hop – 4th

Senior Contemporary – silver 2nd

Junior theatrical – silver 2nd

Senior Theatrical – 4th

Katrina Constantopoulos – Drama Teacher

WAVERLEY INTERNATIONAL NETBALL CARNIVAL RUNNERS UP

Blackwood High School Netball Program had a best ever finish at the Waverley International Netball Carnival in Melbourne during Week 10 last term. Coach, Peta Maher was very impressed with her Team Red, which played off against Rowville Secondary College 1 in the Grand Final. We had beaten Rowville earlier in the week but unfortunately their revenge was realised, defeating us by five goals. In her runner up speech Captain, Georgia Brown stated how proud she was of her team's achievement. Our previous best finish was eighth out of a very strong twenty three team competition including teams from Malaysia, Sri Lanka, WA, Tasmania and Queensland.

Blackwood team two (Green) and three (White) were challenged heavily by the strength of the competition but fought bravely to finish 18th and 21st respectively.

As usual, the girls behaviour on and off the court was exemplary and the parental help with coaching and managing from Jenny Hutton, Karen Pettman, Kylie Revink and Erica Harrison was outstanding and much appreciated.

Team Red

Coach - Peta Maher
Manager – Kylie Revink
Georgia Brown
Asha Thurlow
Brittany Smith
Riley Mitchell
Emily Pettman
Brooke Jenner
Madison Steer
Taylah Revink
Darby Knight
Bailey Mandemaker
Carmen Britton

Team Green

Coach – Janet Bradley
Manager – Erika Harrison
Sarah Wardle
Abbey Hutton
Erin Hegarty
Charlotte Meldrum
Ashton Gaskell
Victoria Nicholls
Taylor Fey
Tahlia Harrison
Jane Whitehead
Ellie Bain
Ruby Laforgia

Team White

Coach – Jenny Hutton
Manager – Karen Pettman
Kaitlyn Laity
Amy Buckney
Brooke Taylor
Nikki Schwarz
Emily Crump
Jess Kendall
Shannon Gaskell
Erin Garrihy
Courtney Phillips
Jessica Pyke
Rachael Millington



YEAR 8/9 BOYS NETBALL

Blackwood High 29 - 11 Wirreanda

On 29 July the Year 8/9 Boys played an outstanding game thrashing Wirreanda 29-11. The boys now progress to the State Knock Out Final which is held in Week 7. The team played very well, showing great talent and sportsmanship. There were three 'man of the match' awards, going to Tynan Carney, Nathan Beenham and Darcy Mitchell – well done boys.

The boys that participated included Nathan Beenham, Ryan Mountford, D'Arcy Mitchell, Ryan Williams, Cameron Clohesy, Jackson Pagett, River Moore, Tynan Carney, Willy Bae, Baily Dyer, Henry Berndt, Deqlan Files, Dylan Smith and Daniel Nash. Great team-work and effort by everyone.



OPEN BOYS NETBALL

Blackwood High 31-18 Wirreanda High
Blackwood High 23-34 Heathfield High

On 29 July, Blackwood High School Open Boys netball team played two matches against Wirreanda and Heathfield High. Blackwood won the first game against Wirreanda High by 31 to 18. Our second game was going to be a lot tougher against Heathfield High, who had previously beat Wirreanda. Unfortunately we ended up losing 22-34 to Heathfield in what was a tough match. Overall the boys played very well throughout both games, with most boys being in Year 10 and 11. Well done to best player of both games, Isaac Jurecky.

The boys that participated throughout the day were Nelson Edwards, Will Knight, Isaac Jurecky, Luke McMillan, Brad Nottle- Justice, Jesse Coleman- Jones, Brodie Macbeth, Tom Beard and Luke Beenham.

Well done to all.



Adam Delcano – Sports Trainee

OPEN BOYS AND GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

On Wednesday 23 July Round 1 of the Open Knockout Volleyball Competition was held at the Marion Recreation Centre. The boys' team had a successful day winning three out of their four games against William Light, Seaview and Concordia College. The loss for the day was against Blackfriars. The players competed well in this game but lost the close three set match. (25-22, 25-17, 7-7).

The girls' team won three of their five games, finishing in a respectable third place. They defeated Mercedes College and St Aloysius College, lost narrowly to William Light and beaten soundly by St Mary's College, who will progress to the next round.

Congratulations to all players on the day for their outstanding teamwork and the positive sporting conduct they displayed.

Coaches – Glen Little and Janet Bradley



OPEN BOYS KNOCKOUT FOOTBALL

On Tuesday 22 July the Open Boys football team competed in the Preliminary Final round of the Knockout Cup. Again three schools participated on the day with the winning school progressing to the grand final of the state-wide competition.

In our first game we played an exceptional first quarter scoring 4 goals 3 points to Concordia's 1 goal. The remaining three quarters were a close battle but our inaccuracy in front of goal proved costly as we kicked 1 goal 5 points to Concordia's 6 goals 3 points. With 90 seconds to go in the final quarter the scores were level but unfortunately the opposition scored twice to win by 7 points.

With Faith Lutheran defeating Concordia in the second game the competition was still alive but a win by 8 goals was required to go through to the Grand Final. All players competed well but we were outplayed by our opposition in all positions.

Overall the 2014 knock-out season was a success with a large number of players, including some Year 9 students, having the opportunity to represent the school.

Results

Concordia College 7-3-45 defeated Blackwood 5-8-38

Best Players – Bradley Patterson, Tom Brown, Josh Albanese, Adrian Albanese

Faith College 7-11-53 defeated Blackwood 1-1-7

Best Players – Tom Brown, Casey Davies, Nathan Dunn



Coaches – Glen little and Dan Smith

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR SHORT LANGUAGE AND CULTURE PROGRAMS

AFS is offering 2 scholarships worth \$1,500 each on their short language and culture programs departing late 2014. These programs give students the ideal opportunity to enhance their language skills and get an edge in their language studies by living and studying abroad for 8 weeks. Students will attend school and live in a host family, experiencing the language in a native setting and experiencing the culture first hand. Programs run during the Australian school holidays and offer excellent value at \$6,900 - flights and medical insurance included.

Applications close August 29.

Country destinations: China (includes intensive language lessons), Italy, France, Germany

Program length: 8 weeks

Dates: Late November/early December to late January

Price: \$6,900 (includes flights and medical insurance)

2 scholarships worth \$1,500 each are available.

For full details go to: www.afs.org.au/scholarships/public-scholarships/short-program-scholarships/
<<http://www.afs.org.au/scholarships/public-scholarships/short-program-scholarships/>>

BIG HISTORY PROJECT

In late June a team of teachers comprising myself, Jarrod Chave and Nick Gillies were funded by Bill Gates Catalyst 3 (BGC3) to travel to Seattle in the United States to contribute to the Big History Project. The Project, developed by Macquarie University History Professor David Christian, is a teaching program that introduces students to key events and ideas in history and science, from the Big Bang, to the formation of the planet, the rise of humanity and the central experiences of human history.

The program is delivered as an integrated course, through the lenses of history and science. As students explore the 13.8 billion years of history, they engage with the physical and biological sciences, cosmology and key history concepts. In addition to enhancing students' understanding of our world, the Project highlights the interconnections between people in a range of societies and periods and encourages them to become proactive global citizens, aware of their roles and responsibilities.



Above: The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and the three Blackwood High School staff members in the centre frame

BGC3 is a think tank that supports, encourages and implements strategies to enhance scientific and technological services, industrial analysis and research. It also supports the design and development of computer hardware and software to combat poverty. BGC3 invited our team to participate in the project, funding travel and accommodation. Blackwood High School are now working with partner schools in Britain, India and the US to both develop and implement an IBMYP version of the program.



The team appreciated every moment of this exciting and worthwhile experience, valuing it as a social and cultural experience, but most importantly for the educational opportunity it presents our school.

You can learn more about the Big History by visiting the project online at <https://www.bighistoryproject.com/portal>

Raphael Zadey - Senior Leader: Innovation in English and Humanities

Left: Blackwood teachers share their ideas at the Foundation

GAMING AND SOCIAL NETWORKING – A PARENTS' GUIDE

Young people are the greatest users of the internet in Australia. More than 80% have regular access to a mobile phone. Most teens are regular users of social networking, and the majority check facebook at least once a day. Many teens spend increasing amounts of time on online gaming, interacting with people all over the world.

Whilst social networking and gaming brings many benefits, it also brings about new challenges. Cyber-bullying is on the rise. Teens have fights with friends online. Students get addicted to spending time on the net, at the expense of family time, homework and physical exercise. Increasingly, parents are unsure about how to manage this aspect of their teenagers' lives.

In this seminar parents learn about the common pitfalls for teens in cyber-life and how they can help protect, guide and support them in their use of this technology. Ideas are raised about appropriate guidelines for net use, gaming and social networking, helping teens deal with cyber-bullying and learning about the websites teens most often visit.

Comments from audience members who have attended this seminar in the past include:

'I have some new ideas to stop my teen getting hurt on the net. This was an extremely useful session – I feel much more confident in dealing with the issue. I didn't realise the extent of the problem until I saw the survey results. I will be watching my teens phone use much more carefully now.'

Presented by: Kirrilie Smout, Clinical Psychologist specialising in adolescence. Kirrilie has worked with teens and their families for 17 years. She has presented to over 40,000 young people, parents and teachers across Australia, has written two books on adolescence and is regularly consulted by print and television media about youth issues.

Parents are invited to attend the 'Guide to Gaming and Social Networking – A Parents' Guide' being held at Blackwood High School in the Senior Learning Centre on 27 August 2014 at 7pm. An invite will be emailed out prior to the event.

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Help Teens Navigate Sex & Drugs & Alcohol

Wed 13 August 7.30pm

Presenter Vina Hotich

Fun not Fuss with Food

Wed 17 Sep 7.30pm

Presenter Peter Hill

Blended Families – Survive & Succeed

Wed 27 Aug 7.30pm

Presenter Vina Hotich

Cost \$15 adult \$10conc and \$20 per couple

First Aid \$25 adult \$20 concession

Bookings essential and available online at www.effectiveliving.org/positive-parenting

Youth Mental Health First Aid - Training Opportunity

Youth Mental Health First Aid is a two day course that is vital for every youth worker, parent, teacher or person who interacts with young people.

The course will assist you in recognising the signs, symptoms and causes of mental health issues in young people such as depression, anxiety, drug and alcohol issues, psychosis and eating disorders. Upon completion of the course you will feel equipped to recognise common mental health disorders and be able to provide assistance to young people experiencing crisis situations such as suicide, non-suicidal self-injury, panic attacks, traumatic events, aggressive behaviour and more. You will receive a certificate of completion, comprehensive manual and a resource pack to take home.

When: Saturday 2 to 9 August 2014

Where: SACOSS – 47 King William Road, UNLEY SA 5061

Time: 9:30 am – 4:30 pm

Cost: \$160 includes GST

Instructor: Rosie Way

To register or for enquiries: Email your details to mhtraining@outlook.com or contact Rosie on 0422 376 996.

For further information about the Youth Mental Health First Aid course visit

www.mhfa.com.au/courses/public/types/youth

PARENTING TEENAGERS Term 3- 2012

Inside his Head:

Understanding Teen Boys

2 Hour presentation

Thursday 14th August

6.30 pm – 8.30 pm

Centacare
33 Wakefield St
Adelaide

Cost: Gold coin donation

Bookings: 8210 8200

Help Teens Navigate Sex, Drugs and Alcohol:

1 evening session

Wednesday 31st August

7.30pm – 9.30pm

Effective Living Centre
26 king William Road
Wayville

Cost: \$15/\$10

Bookings – 8271 0329

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8201 7587 or email**

casc.enquiries@flinders.edu.au.



Celebrating 50 Years of Blackwood Primary at Seymour St!

Calling all past and present, staff, students and associates of Blackwood Primary School to help us celebrate our 50th birthday on its present site.

You are invited to join us at two special events:

50 Year Gala Extravaganza
 Date: Saturday 30th August
 Time: 7pm - 11:30pm
 Venue: Burnside Ballroom, Burnside Town Hall
 Tickets: \$35 (available on website)

The Great Reunion Celebration
 Date: Sunday 16th November
 Time: 10am - 4pm
 Venue: Blackwood Primary School Grounds

For more information visit: www.blackwoodps.sa.edu.au

Pre-purchase adult tickets at sciencealive2014.eventbrite.com.au

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www.scienceweek.net.au www.sciencealive2014.eventbrite.com.au

Senior School SATAC Information Session

On Wednesday 6th August at 6:30pm in the PAC there will be an information session on the University entrance process.

Mr Jarrad Benson from Flinders University will be attending to inform and discuss with students and parents on the process of moving into Tertiary Study. This evening is sure to provide you with what you and your child need to know about applying to SATAC for all Universities and Tertiary providers. Some of the questions which will be addressed are:

- How do I apply?
- Are there other ways for me to get into university?
- How can I defer my place at university?
- How will I find out if I am offered a place at university?
- How will I be selected?
- How should I order my preferences?
- How do I qualify for university?
- What is a guaranteed entry ATAR?
- What does it cost to study at University?
- How can I find out about scholarships?

6 August 6:30pm
 Week 3, Term 3
 Blackwood High School Performing Arts Centre

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Millswood Station upgrade & Proposed Belair train timetable Community consultation



The Department of Planning, Transport & Infrastructure (DPTI) will trial reopening of the Millswood Railway Station.

While upgrade works are underway to:

- raise the height of the platform to reduce the step and gap
- modify ramps for improved access
- install new lighting, shelters, platform furniture and fencing
- upgrade passenger information systems

DPTI are seeking feedback on a proposed Belair train timetable that will allow extra time in each trip for trains to stop at the reopened Millswood station while minimising the impact to other services.

If you wish to provide comment on the proposed timetable go to www.adelaidemetro.com.au and select;

- ➔ "Announcements"
- ➔ "News"
- ➔ "Millswood station upgrade & draft Belair timetable – feedback welcome"



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- Program departure date: 20 Jan 2015
Returning: 1 July 2015



How to apply:

Email your name, address, phone number and name of your school and year level to scceaust@scce.com.au
Ask for a scholarship application kit or enquire at www.scce.com.au
You will need to submit a 1,000 word essay (max. length) on a particular topic by 15 September 2014.



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- Return flights to destination country on Singapore Airlines
- Domestic transportation in host country and Australia
- Selected host family
- Attendance at overseas local school
- Full 24/7 support in host country
- S.C.C.E. professional support
- Fully comprehensive insurance cover
- Program departure date: 27 Nov 2014
Returning: 23 Jan 2015

How to apply:

Email your name, address, phone number and name of your school and year level to scceaust@scce.com.au
Ask for a scholarship application kit or enquire at www.scce.com.au
You will need to submit a 1,000 word essay (maximum length) on a particular topic by 1 September 2014.

