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IMPORTANT DATES

Date	Name
1 st May, 2018	Badminton - Snr
7 th May, 2018	Dental Van (7 th – 11 th May 2018)
8 th May, 2018	School Council
8 th May, 2018	Netball - Intermediate
9 th May, 2018	Basketball – Boys #1 team & Snr Girls
11 th May, 2018	Unit 3 English SAC/ UNIT 3 EAL SAC
14 th May, 2018	Basketball Boys #2,3 & 4 teams
15 th May, 2018	NAPLAN (15th – 17th May)
18 th May, 2018	Mobile Blood Bank
18 th May, 2018	Badminton – Int & Soccer - Int
22 nd May, 2018	Basketball Boys #2,3 & 4 teams
29 th May, 2018	Basketball - Snr Boys and Girls - Maribrynong
30 th May, 2018	Basketball -Boys#1 team & Snr Girls
1 st June, 2018	Unit 3 Maths Methods SAC
1 st June, 2018	Semester 1 coursework due
4 th June, 2018	VCE Unit 1 Exams commence and Y10 Elective exams commence
5 th June, 2018	School Council
7 th June, 2018	Basketball -Jnr Boys#1 team
8 th June, 2018	Unit 3 Physics SAC 3 and Y10 Elective exams finish
11 th June, 2018	Public Holiday - Queen's Birthday
12 th June, 2018	Y10 Core exams commence
12 th June, 2018	Unit 3 & 4 English practice exam
13 th June, 2018	GAT (General Achievement Test)
13 th June, 2018	Basketball – Int Boys and Girls
15 th June, 2018	VCE Unit 1 Exams finish
18 th June, 2018	Semester 2 commences
25 th June, 2018	Y11 Food exc – Deakin Uni Lab
26 th June, 2018	Basketball – Y8 boys
29 th June, 2018	End of Term 2
16 th July, 2018	Commence Term 3

Principal's report

2019 Enrolments:

Although we have only just started term 2, we are already looking ahead for 2019. In particular, one of our focus areas is promoting College tours and locking in student enrolments for next year.

Because of the nature of this College, we do not have traditional neighbourhood school zones as do most other secondary colleges. Instead, we have students who often travel large distances to attend the College, specifically to undertake specialist subjects or programs.

Every student who enrolls at Box Hill Senior will have attended one of our weekly tours and then undertaken a formal enrolment interview. Allowing prospective students/families to see our college in action during a normal school day and talking to a relevant staff member at the enrolment interview is a key feature of how we operate.

In 2018, we are again undertaking an extensive digital marketing campaign to promote the College and to publicise when our college tours take place (every Wednesday at 9.15am, starting from May 2). If you go into Facebook or Instagram and type in Box Hill Senior Secondary College, you will see information about the College and the process for booking into one of our weekly tours. Tours can also be booked by going into the College website.

I seek the support of all members of our college community to share our Facebook and Instagram pages and to encourage families who are considering enrolling here in 2019 to attend one of the tour groups over the next few weeks.

ANZAC ceremony:

On Thursday April 26, I was lucky enough to be involved in our annual ANZAC Ceremony. This ceremony is an important event on our College calendar, involving students from across a number of year levels. Staff members Natalie Murray, Andrew Delfinis and Peter Taylor ably supported the event, led and organised by our student leadership team.

I congratulate all students who attended the ceremony on their exemplary behaviour and in particular, I thank all the student leaders for the way in which they carried out their specific duties. It was heartening to observe how our students showed such respect and understanding of the ANZAC tradition and the enthusiastic manner in which they welcomed and acknowledged our guest speaker, Mr. Frank Kuffer.



College Council membership:

I am very indebted to the parents of our College community who have committed to being members of Council for 2018. Thank you to the following people who will serve on Council.

Parent representatives:

- Fiona Stosic (President)
- Katrina Miller (Vice President)
- Ellen Grouios
- Tracey Johansen
- Andrew Joycey
- Kerrie Mazzocco
- Darren Cutts
- Jane Rogers

Staff Representatives:

- Fiona Erwich
- Damian Dwyer
- Teagan Steen
- Daniela Nardelli

Steve Cook
Principal

NAPLAN

Students in Years 7 - 9 will undertake National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy assessments (NAPLAN) during May 15 to 17. Individual student results for students in Year 7 and 9 will be available to parents and schools in mid-August. Year 8 students are not formally assessed, but will participate so that they can gain valuable practise in undertaking formal assessments.

NAPLAN assessments are a snapshot of student performance that value-adds to school based assessment and is important data to help determine strategic planning for improving student learning outcomes in targeted areas.

Please contact me if you have any concerns or questions regarding NAPLAN assessments.

Fiona Erwich
Assistant Principal (Curriculum)

BHSSC Fees and Charges

Statements of fees and charges were sent to families during Term 1 and statements will be re-issued by email prior to the end of Term 2. If further information or clarification is required, please contact staff in the General Office.

Families should note however, that if an agreed payment plan is **not** in place then:-

- **Elective fees** are now due and should be finalised prior to the end of Term 2 (29/6/18).
- **Instrumental music lesson fees** – the first instalment was due on 29/1/18 and the second and final instalment is due on 25/6/18. As this is an optional program, if fees are not up to date, students can be suspended from these programs.
- **Sport Development Programs** – Instalments were due in January and April and the next instalment is due on **18/6/18**. This is the final instalment date for students in the Football program. Athlete Development program fees should now be paid in full.

As fee payments are regularly monitored, parents are reminded to ensure that their payments are up to date and/or an agreed payment plan is in place. If this does not occur, students may not be able to participate in their chosen sport development program until a suitable financial arrangement is made.

The schedule of payments for both the Senior and Middle Years sport development programs is outlined in the attachments below.

Payments can be made to the College by cash, cheque, credit card, and BPAY (details printed on statements and are available upon request).

BHSSC Parent Payment Policy change

At its March meeting the College Council considered a request to provide a discount for families that have more than one student enrolled in the sport development programs each year. The Council agreed to change its current policy and adopted the following amendment:-

“That the 2018 Parent Payments policy be amended such that following a written request from the family, a 10% discount will be available for the sport development fees for the second child in the family if sport development fees are paid in full by 31st August each year.”

If you have any queries regarding the College fees and/or are experiencing difficulties in making payments, please contact Karen Leeder (Business Manager) on 98951101 or email kleeder@bhssc.vic.edu.au. or Vesna Pavlic (Finance Officer) on 98951104 or vpavlic@bhssc.vic.edu.au.

WE WANT OUR STUDENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

We value student voice as a means to improving student engagement, wellbeing and quality instruction and are conducting a survey to find out what your child thinks of our school. The Attitudes to School Survey is an annual student survey offered by the Department of Education and Training to assist schools in gaining an understanding of students' perceptions and experience of school. Our school will use the survey results to plan programs and activities to improve your child's schooling experience.

Students from Year 7 to Year 12 at our school will participate in the survey. Your child will complete the survey online during

school hours using a purpose built secure online survey tool. It is important to note that we are not in any way “testing” your child. Your child has the right to refuse or withdraw from the survey at any point before, during, or after completion of the survey.

Your child will be provided with a unique login to complete the survey. The student login is an assigned identifier that may be used to link data for statistical and research purposes only. All responses to the survey are kept anonymous in the response file. Personal identification data will not be recorded in the survey response file. This ensures that the confidentiality of your child's responses is protected at all times.

This year the Attitudes to School survey will be conducted at our school over the period Monday 30 April to Friday 11 May. The survey only takes 20 minutes to complete and occurs during your child's class time.

The survey results will be reported back to the school before the end of term 2. All survey data that is made available in reports are for groups of students only so that no individual student can be identified. Data suppression rules are used for schools with low student numbers per year level.

If you would like more information, please speak to your child's teacher or visit:

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/management/improvement/Pages/performsurveyat.aspx>

CAREERS AND PATHWAYS INFORMATION

Year 10 Work Experience

Work experience is not compulsory but it is highly recommended that students have the opportunity to work in an area they are interested in for a week or two.

There are no set school dates to undertake work experience. If a student wishes to do one week at a time, we will fit in when it suits the employer, provided it is not during exam times.

IMPORTANT - A Work Experience Arrangement Form must be completed at least one week prior to the student starting work.

The form must be filled in by all parties then forwarded to the Principal for signing.

If this process is not completed your student will not be covered for Workcover or any public liability insurance whilst on the job.

Yr 11 VET - Structured Workplace Learning

Students undertaking a Yr 11 VET program in the areas listed below are expected to complete 1 week of work placement in the week of September 17 – 21, 2018.

- Electro-technology (Pre-apprenticeship)
- Building & Construction
- Plumbing
- Landscape Horticulture
- Sport and Recreation

Work placement is strongly recommended by the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority for vocational programs. Assessments are usually embedded into structured work placements. If a student does not satisfy the assessment requirements they will not be able to complete their certificate. In addition to this, work placements are a valuable aid to gaining an apprenticeship.

The final date to apply for a work placement is Monday September 10, 2018.

Any student who does not undertake work placement in the week beginning Sept. 17 will be required to attend school for all their normal classes.

Parents/Guardians are requested to assist in organising a suitable work placement. Structured Work Placement forms and assistance are available from the Careers and Pathways Coordinator (Frank De Melis) who is located in the Library.

The VCE and Careers Expo 2018

Where : Caulfield Racecourse

When : May 3 to 6, 2018

The VCE and Careers Expo is Australia's biggest careers and education event with 170 exhibitors providing VCE, tertiary courses, career, study skills and gap year information and resources. Exhibitors include Australia's major universities. Admission is \$10 per person, however, family discounts are available.

Frank De Melis

Careers Adviser and Pathways Coordinator

Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA) Plain English Speaking Award 2018

The Plain English Speaking Award is a public-speaking competition for students aged 15-18 years. It provides an excellent opportunity for students to build self-confidence and extend their skills in oral communication, speech writing and research. The competition encourages students to speak to their peers from other schools on topics they are passionate about. This ties in with **Area of Study 2: Analysing and Presenting Argument**, in **VCE English**.

In Australia, each year, state and territory committees organise and conduct competitions at school, regional and state levels. State winners then go to the national final, which is held in the various states and territories on a rotational basis. Past student, Tom Strmecki was awarded "Highly Commended" for his involvement in the competition last year, and received VCAA recognition for his efforts.

BHSSC welcomes students to speak with their English teachers if they are interested in learning more about this VCAA endorsed Public Speaking competition.

*Please contact **Michelle Clark, Pedagogy Leader VCE English**, for more details.*

FareShare Kitchen Excursion



As part of our unit on 'Sustainability' and 'Issues in our Food System' Year 7-10 students attended a morning at FareShare kitchens in Abbotsford to learn about food rescue, food waste and to assist in the preparation of meals for food insecure individuals.

FareShare is a not for profit organisation that rescues food that is donated from supermarkets, farmers and manufacturers that would have otherwise become wasted, to produce approximately 1.2 million meals annually. Both groups were able to make an outstanding contribution in their respective sessions, preparing and cooking over 3000 quiches and packaging over 2000 more.

Upon reflecting on their experience it is clear that students took a lot away from the experience...

- 'I was surprised to learn how much food is rejected by supermarkets just because they don't look very nice' - *Beth*
- 'it was a fun experience and it felt good to help those in need' - *Connor*
- 'FareShare was a great experience for everyone because it gave us a life lesson in food preparation and how to be resourceful' - *Noah*

- 'It is a great feeling to know that I helped to make 1,567 meals including Quiches, Bread and Sausage rolls. It made me realise how much food society wastes.' - *Giacomo*
- 'FareShare was a great experience for me. I learn what is like cooking in an industrial kitchen and it felt great cooking for people in need. We made over 1500 quiches and prepared food for the next volunteers' – *Caedon*

BHSSC STUDENTS EXCEL IN REGIONAL CHESS COMPETITION!

On Monday March 26, five of our senior International Students represented the college at the CHESS VICTORIA Open Secondary Schools Regional Tournament at Koonung S.C. Outstanding individual performances included- Blake Nguyen (Yr 12)-Silver medal*(Blake now progresses to the State Finals in Term 3) and Alkiviadis Giannetis (Yr 12)- Bronze medal in the Yr 11-12 Secondary Open Division. Our other three participants; Joe Le (Yr 11), Zeson Lin (Yr 12) & Tevoan Om (Yr 12) also played well, enabling the BHSSC team to achieve second-place overall.



Trade News

A VET Certificate II Building and Construction *carpentry* update for 2018

The Year 11 students are well underway this year with saw horse/stool construction tasks almost complete. Soon they are to begin the set out for the project houses and begin the sub-floor frame module, followed by wall and roof framing. The year 12 group are finishing off a roof frame and work on windows and door frames is to begin in the coming weeks. It's not all fun though, throughout the rest of the year there will be bookwork to complete covering Communication, Levelling, Interpret plans and drawing ... and the list goes on !!



Sport News

At the end of Term 1 we had the Intermediate volleyball teams, both girls and boys, participate in the Eastern Metro round robin. Both teams competed enthusiastically. They each played three games - winning two and losing one against the eventual winners in both girls and boys. Well done and great effort.



Upcoming in sport this term includes the following:

- Cross country Fri 27 April
- Senior boys AFL Tues 1 May
- Premier League AFL prac game Wed 2 May
- Senior Badminton Tues 1 May
- Inter boys AFL Tues 8 May
- Inter Netball Tues 8 May
- Inter Soccer Fri 18 May
- Inter Badminton Fri 18 May
- AFLW Fri 25 May

AFL DEBUT

Congratulations on Tay Duman debuting in the AFL for the Fremantle Dockers versus the Western Bulldogs in round 5. His debut was reward for solid and consistent work in the WAFL this year. By all accounts Tay played well with over 15 touches. Let's hope he has a long and injury free career. He is one of four ex-Box Hill Senior students currently playing in the AFL (Robbie Gray - Port Adelaide, James Parsons - Geelong and Dom Barry - Port Adelaide). Tay was a BHSSC student from 2014-16.



BASKETBALL.

Our senior boys and girls basketballers represented their school at senior basketball last Tuesday the 24th of April. The results were outstanding with both the first teams advancing to EMR later in the year.

To highlight how successful the day was, the girl's second team and the boys three and four teams went through undefeated in their respective pools. The only loss for the day was the second boys' team losing to our one team in a hard fought match.

The sportsmanship and behaviour of all students was exemplary - well done to all students.

May is going to be a very busy month with basketball competitions and I would ask parents when they receive their compass notification that they please go on line straight away to approve their sons or daughters attendance.



College Visitations this month and next. In the last week, we have had both Portland University and Colorado State visit our school to watch our girls go through their paces at training and in game situations. The Coaches were highly impressed with our girls standards and future offers could becoming some of the girls way.

The boys were not left out with the University of Hawaii visiting and watching the boys go through their paces. The University of Hawaii is a regular visitor to our school looking for the up and coming talent out of Box Hill.

Our school is looking forward to having Colleges coming in the next few months from Division one Loyola Marymount University and Division one Texas Christian University.

Congratulations to the following.

Congratulations are in order for Tyler Robertson who has verbally committed already with Division one Eastern Washington.

Congratulations to Keli Leauepepe, Tyler Robertson and Josh Kunan Gatbel for making the Australian Under 19 Asia Cup squad as well as being a part of the winning Under 20 State team.

In addition, Keli Leauepepe and Josh Kunan played in the Albert Schweitzer tournament in Germany during our recent school Term one holidays.

We wish to extend our congratulations to Sharna Ayres on being selected for the upcoming Australian Development Camp. Everybody involved at our school is extremely proud of the success of our basketballers.

TENNIS

On Friday 20th April, the intermediate girls tennis team were successful in winning the Eastern Region Championship.

The team consisted of Vanessa Alfaro, Elicia Kim, Daniela Alfaro, Emily Kapsalis, and Emma Simpson. The team is made up of three year 9, one year 8 and one year 7. A very young team competing against year 9 / 10 players. The girls only lost one set for the entire day, and in the final, defeated Rowville High by 6 sets 24 games to 0 sets 5 games.

Congratulations on a job very well done and played in a professional and respectful manner. Good luck in the State Championships next month.



Congratulations to Jasmin Starr (Year 12) who has been selected for the State team. She will compete in Brisbane from April 28 to May 6 in the National Championships.

NETBALL.

Our girl's netball teams have been very busy this last month with both Intermediate and Senior teams playing a number of practice games.

Both Lauren and Rob have worked hard in organising and gaining the girls quality practice games with successful schools and Under 19 VNL teams.

The Hallam Interschool match resulted in our Intermediate girls winning while the senior girls lost a hard fought game by a handful of points.

Next was Monash University Storm VNL 19 team where a combined team of our girls experienced what the next jump in development is about. It was a quality game and all the girls acquitted themselves very well and have a much better understanding of the challenges ahead to make the next advancement in their sport.

The last practice match was with Haileybury First team VS our Intermediates. This game was a thriller to the end with one goal separating the teams at the final buzzer. Lauren and Rob are thrilled at the girls development. They have another practice game with the Australian College of Sport plus the Intermediate district Inter school in May, by which time the girls will be primed for the Waverley International Tournament in the Winter holidays.



Congratulations to the following.

The school is proud to announce that Jayda Scanlon made the State team and Kate Birch made the final round before the final selection. Well done girls.

Congratulations also goes to Rob on his appointment as trainer for the Australian school girl's team.

In addition, an innovation for this year is the Athlete Wellness Profile, which will monitor the girl's wellbeing over a wide range of areas.



Youth ConneXions

Youth ConneXions is Council's youth information, support and referral centre based at Centre Box Hill shopping centre. The centre offers a comfortable and supportive environment for young people aged 12-25 to find information and seek assistance on a range of issues. Services are free and include:

- Available: Computers, internet, Wi-Fi, phone, fax and photocopier, table tennis, pool table, games and space to relax, hot and cold drinks, musical instruments and recording facilities, friendly youth workers to chat to, general personal support, information and advice on youth issues, referrals to a range of services including accommodation, health and wellbeing, drug and alcohol counselling, legal and financial support.
- Resume Writing: Youth ConneXions is running a new program for resume writing. From 1pm- 5pm Monday to Friday (by appointment) you can book in for one-on-one assistance. You can bring in your current resume to be updated or start from scratch using a template from Youth ConneXions. We have heaps of resume tips and can also help with online applications. To book an appointment, call Amy on 9898 9340 or email amy.mcdonald@whitehorse.vic.gov.au.

Location

Youth Connexions
Suite 2, Level 1, Box Hill Central, Box Hill

- Enter from the mall and take the lift up next to Platform 3 restaurant.
- The centre is open from 1pm-5pm each weekday. No appointment necessary, just drop in.

Phone: 9898 9340

Email: youth.worker@whitehorse.vic.gov.au

Form B

BOX HILL SENIOR SECONDARY COLLEGE
2018 SPORTS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS FEE COMMITMENT

Student Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ **Parent/Guardian Phone No:** _____

I have read and understand the Sport Development Program information & the relevant Refund and Injury Policies and I agree to make payments as outlined below.
 I will be making payments for this program by **CASH, CHEQUE, BPAY, CREDIT CARD or COMPASS PAY** (please circle one method) in accordance with the following schedule.
 I understand that the College reserves the right to withdraw my son/daughter from this program if payments are not made and kept up to date.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ **Date:** _____

INSTALMENT DATES AND AMOUNTS:

SPORT : Please circle the relevant program below.

Payment Schedule	Basketball	Football – AFL & AFLW	Tennis - Program A (6)	Tennis - Program B (9)	Athlete Development	Netball
On acceptance(new students) or to confirm enrolment (current students) – prior to 1.12.17	200.00	200.00	500.00	500.00	200.00	200.00
29 January 2018	375.00	300.00	685.00	1090.00	250.00	350.00
16 April 2018	375.00	300.00	685.00	1090.00	250.00	350.00
18 June 2018	375.00	300.00	685.00	1090.00		350.00
1 August 2018	375.00		685.00	1090.00		350.00
TOTAL PAYMENT	\$1,700.00	\$1,100.00	\$3,240.00	\$4,860.00	700.00	\$1,600.00
UNIFORM – compulsory for students joining the program for the first time DUE: 29 January 2018	250.00	200.00	105.00	\$105.00	105.00	\$250.00
TOTAL PAYMENT (including uniform)	\$1,950.00	\$1,300.00	\$3,345.00	\$4,965.00	\$805.00	\$1,850.00

For payment dates other than those listed, please contact the Business Manager, Karen Leeder on 98951101

PAYMENT METHOD:

Credit Card: Provide details below if you would like instalments to be automatically deducted from a credit card on the dates listed above.
 Please note that Payment Plans using a credit card for payment, will be administered using the COMPASS Payment Plan portal.
DO NOT complete this form if you have already entered a payment plan in the COMPASS Course Confirmation Module.

Card Holder's Name:

Type of Card: **VISA** **MASTERCARD** (Please circle)

Card Number: / / / **Expiry Date:** /

Card Holder's Signature: **Date:**

Form B**BOX HILL SENIOR SECONDARY COLLEGE****2018 SPORTS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS FEE COMMITMENT – Years 7, 8 & 9**

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16 April 2018	425.00	300.00	1375.00	400.00
18 June 2018	425.00	300.00	1375.00	400.00
1 August 2018	415.00		1375.00	350.00
TOTAL PAYMENT	\$1,890.00	\$1,100.00	\$6,000.00	\$1,750.00
UNIFORM – compulsory for students joining the program for the first time DUE: 29 January 2018	250.00	200.00	Purchased separately	\$250.00
TOTAL PAYMENT (including uniform)	\$2140.00	\$1300.00	\$6,000.00	\$2,000.00

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