

# Bulli High School Newsletter

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March 2020

## Upcoming Events

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March**  
School Photo Day

**9<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> March**  
Hospitality & Construction Work Placement

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March**  
Regional Swimming Carnival  
Oztag Knockout

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March**  
P & C Meeting @ 7.00pm

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March**  
YAM Program  
Zone Girls Basketball

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March**  
School Photo Catch Up Day

**16<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> March**  
Year 10 Work Experience

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March**  
Open Boys Basketball SC Final  
Year 10 Biathlon

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March**  
Year 7 2021 Enrichment Class Test  
(Applications close Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March)

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**  
Flag Gridiron Comp  
AFL 14/16 Girls Gala Day

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March**  
Open Boys Basketball SC Trials  
Boys/Girls League Tag  
AFL Girls Open

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March**  
Bulli High Cross Country Carnival  
Duke of Ed Bronze Training

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March**  
Volleyball Gala Day

**Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March**  
Year 10 Marine Studies Boat Licence  
Year 11 Life Ready Driver Education Day  
Year 7 Brainstorm

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April**  
Duke of Ed Silver Training

**1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> April**  
NSW CHS Swimming Carnival

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April**  
Year 10 Marine Studies Boat Licence



## Principal's report

### EXPO NIGHT

It was fabulous to see so many families at Expo Night this week, where we showcased Bulli High School. It is always very satisfying to see eager and excited future students going from activity to activity around the school. I wish to commend the near on 100 students who volunteered their time to help teachers and parents throughout the night. All students who volunteered are able to have skills signed off on their Citizen Portfolio. A big thank you to the P & C who gave generously of their time to support our school.



*We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we live and work and pay our respect to Aboriginal elders past, present and future*

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### Register for E-News

If you are already registered you will continue to receive our e-news bulletins.

To register for e-news follow these steps:

- Download the e-news app onto your phone or device
- Add Bulli HS (click on the bottom right + symbol)
- Select 'Newsletters' and relevant years

### Uniform Shop Hours

Tuesdays: 1.15pm – 3.30pm  
Thursdays: 1.15pm – 3.30pm

### School Office Hours

Mon, Tue, Thur & Fri: 8.30am – 3.30pm  
Wednesday: 8.30am – 3.00pm

### Student Absences

If your child is absent from school, please notify the office by calling 4284 8266 extension 4 and following the prompts.

### P & C dates for 2020

(2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month)

Term 1: 11<sup>th</sup> March, 8<sup>th</sup> April  
Term 2: 13<sup>th</sup> May, 10<sup>th</sup> June  
Term 3: 12<sup>th</sup> August, 9<sup>th</sup> September  
Term 4: 11<sup>th</sup> November, 9<sup>th</sup> December

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### STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY

I remind all students and parents that personal property brought to school is the responsibility of each student. This includes mobile phones which if in students' bags for travel purposes must be on silent or off at all times. I thank parents for working with us in supporting this new policy.

From 2020  
Bulli HS is...

... phone free  
from gate to gate



### SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS AND SUBJECT FEES

This is the time of the year that we send out invoices. Thank you to parents who have already paid. I remind all parents to contact the Administrative manager, Marianna Hunt, if you require financial assistance or wish to implement a payment plan.

### UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE (U3A)

Last week I had the pleasure of attending the debate between Bulli High School students and the U3A team at Thirroul Library. This year the U3A was successful but our team didn't make it easy. Thank you to the U3A organisers, Mrs Crawford and Lord Mayor Councillor Gordon Bradbury.

### SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Despite having two dates booked we were unable to run our swimming carnival due to the poor weather. Ms Vorley and the PE teachers did a marvellous job of ensuring all qualifying students had the opportunity to attend the Zone Carnival.

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### **PRACTISING GOOD HYGIENE**

Students are encouraged to wash their hands after using the toilet facilities. All student toilets at Bulli HS are equipped with soap for student use and we endeavour to keep the dispensers filled. Students are asked to advise the deputy principals if the dispenser requires refilling.

### **MOBILE DEVICE POLICY**

In Term 4, students and parents were advised of our new mobile phone policy. The decision has been made for a number of reasons including:

- ensuring that students are focussed on learning without unnecessary distractions, and
- encouraging greater engagement between students.

Students will be able to have their phone in their school bag, on silent or off, however they will not be able to use their phone during or between classes, or break periods throughout the school day. Students are required to put their phones in their bags prior to entering the school grounds.

Any students found to be using their phones during school times, will have the phone confiscated and returned to them at the end of the school day. Continuous breaches will be dealt with under the school's discipline policy.

Students needing to contact parents during the school day and parents needing to contact their child, can do so through the school office.

Use of mobile phones will be allowed when it forms part of a student's reasonable adjustment for learning and wellbeing, or a student is exempt.

The school appreciates that digital technology is important and can enhance learning, wellbeing and educational attainment and help young people develop the skills they need for the future.

### **UPDATED ADVICE COVID-19**

The DoE has updated advice for staff, students, and parents

Current advice from the NSW Government for parents and affected staff is:

- Any student or staff member who has left, or transited through mainland China since 1 February, Iran since 1 March or the Republic of Korea (South Korea) since 5 March, is excluded from child care services, school or work for 14 days from the date they left mainland China, Iran or the Republic of Korea (South Korea).
- Any confirmed case of COVID-19 will be excluded until they are medically cleared to return.
- Close contacts of a confirmed case of COVID-19 will be excluded for 14 days since last contact with the confirmed case.

Students and staff who have returned to Australia and have shown no symptoms during the 14-day self-isolation period are able to return to child care services, school or work.

### **UNIFORM**

As I said to families at Expo Night, Bulli HS continues to have the support of our community for our high standard of uniform. I am regularly receiving feedback from people who speak so highly of our students and how they represent themselves at school and on the way to and from school. Any family requiring financial assistance for uniform, including black shoes, is encouraged to contact the Administration office and ask to speak to the SAM Marianna Hunt. Students are not to wear non-uniform jumpers, hoodies or non-uniform pants to school. A suitable clean replacement jumper or pants will be provided wherever possible, by us, to the student for the day.

Have a great term.

*Chris Gregory*

Principal

## Deputy Principal's News

Attending school every day is very important. Students who miss school miss out on opportunities. They miss out on friendships and they miss out on learning.

I have copied the relevant section from the Department of Education's Attendance Policy below:

### *ATTENDANCE AND ABSENCES*

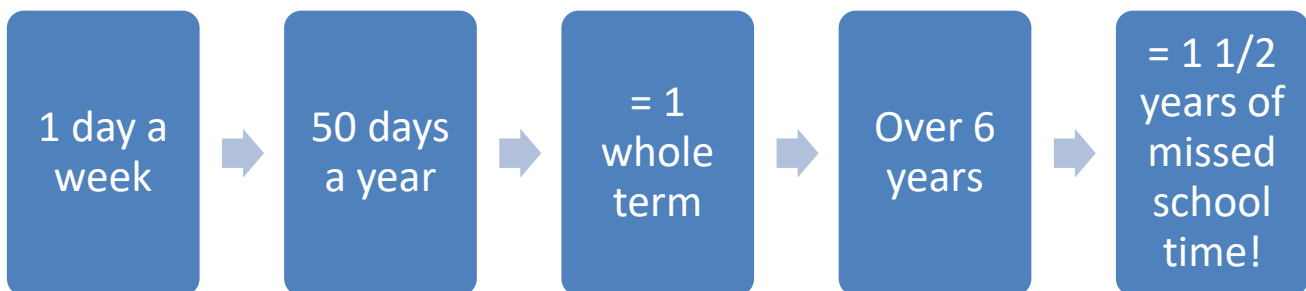
Parents of children from Kindergarten to Year 12 must ensure their children attend school every day. On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- Being sick or having an infectious disease
- Having an unavoidable medical appointment
- Being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- Exception or urgent family circumstances eg: attending a funeral.

Parents must provide an explanation for absences to the school within 7 days from the first day of any period of absence. Where an explanation has not been received within the 7-day timeframe, the school will record the absence as unjustified on the student's record.

I draw your attention to the justified reasons for student absences. It doesn't include missing sport because it's raining, or leaving early for a hairdresser's appointment, or a day off for birthdays or going to work.

I am a parent too and understand very well that life is busy however, parent condoned absences for "unjustified" reasons don't help your children get the best out of school.



Please support your children by ensuring they come to school every day.

Ms Robyn Lang  
Deputy Principal

## Deputy Principal's News

### *EXPO NIGHT 2020*

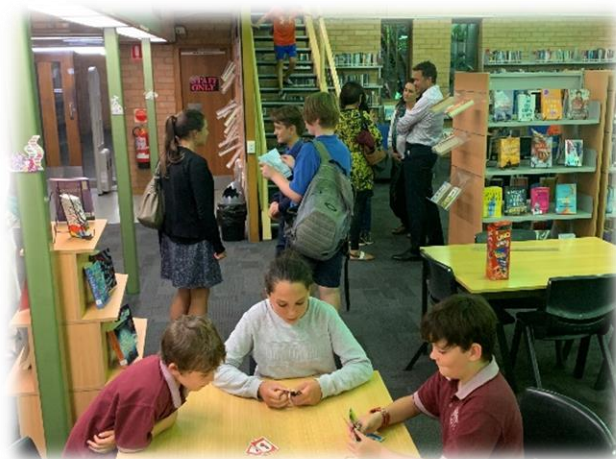
What a wonderful evening! Our annual Expo night was a tremendous showcase of the breadth of opportunities offered to students at Bulli High School.

The evening was very well attended. It was standing room only in the Hall as our visitors received information about our school from Mrs Gregory and heard from two very confident and articulate Year 7 students, Matilda and Cairo.

Following this the school was open, with displays and activities in every area. There was so much for our visiting parents and students to see and do – music and drama performances, an archaeological dig for biscuits in history, sports games, science experiments, debating, innovative virtual reality IT, cooking, Duke of Edinburgh program and so much more.

We received overwhelmingly positive feedback about the vibrant atmosphere, our student helpers, the facilities and the opportunities available at Bulli High School.

Many thanks to everyone who took part – our talented and committed staff, our wonderful P&C members who manned the BBQ and the nearly 100 students who willingly and enthusiastically gave their time.

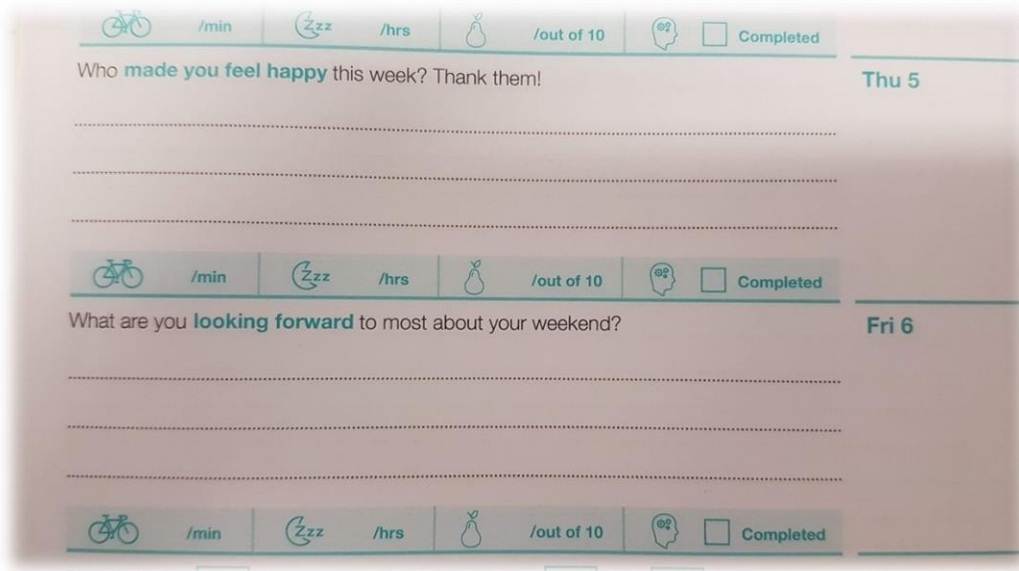


Mr Chris Neave  
Deputy Principal

## Head Teacher - Wellbeing

The start of the year brings the idea of new beginnings, an opportunity to fulfil new goals, resolutions and if you're like me, the new year can bring concealed excitement with new books and stationery. To help our students achieve success in the new year we provide them with our school diary so that they can be organised with their work, learn to prioritise and provide an impetus for students to act and complete work.

This year we have introduced a new format for our student diary that aims to develop the skill of resilience by focusing on Gratitude, Empathy and Mindfulness (GEM). Each day our diary provides students an opportunity to reflect and be grateful for the positives they experience on a daily occurrence.



Not only are these prompts important for students to consider but they provide parents with conversation starters that make teenagers think before replying. If you haven't already, ask your child to view their diary and start a conversation, or even feel free to complete some of the activities yourself.

Mr Paul Hickey  
Head Teacher Wellbeing

**Ms Monika Gulabovska:** *Monday, Thursday, Friday*

**Mr John Wyles:** *Tuesday, Wednesday*

*Come visit us, we're between the Kitchens and DT LAB rooms*



KEEP CALM  
And see your  
SCHOOL COUNSELLOR

## Science

We were excited to see a large number of children and parents at the Expo Night visiting our science displays. I would like to thank Mr MacKenzie, Mr McKenzie, Mr Cobban, Ms Herrmann and Ms Swain for having engaging activities for the children to experience. The children enjoyed themselves and we look forward to seeing them when they enrol at Bulli High School.



### *MARINE STUDIES DISPLAY*



Thank you to our student volunteers who helped with the experiments. We would also like to thank the P&C for a very generous donation which we have used to purchase new microscopes. They were on display on Expo Night and students will benefit from the use of these in the classroom to look at different types of cells and microorganisms in precise detail and quality viewing.

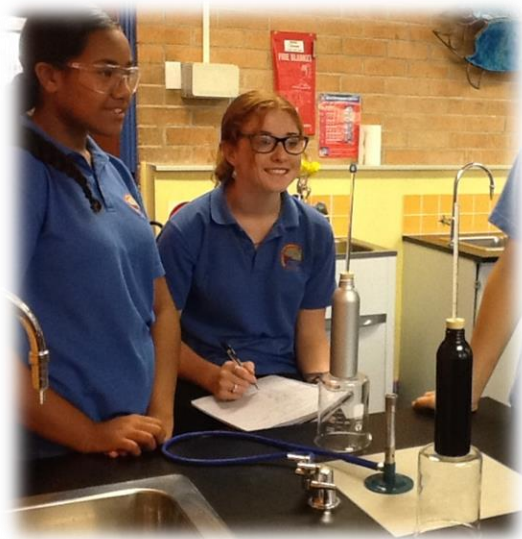
## Science - continued

### *ENGAGING EXPERIENCES IN SCIENCE*

Year 10 are studying a unit of work on Chemistry. All students will participating in first hand investigations to support the theoretical concepts learnt. One of these experiments shown below involves students decomposing the compound copper carbonate into copper oxide and testing for carbon dioxide gas.



Year 9 are studying the topics Waves Motion and Electricity. The students shown below are conducting a radiant heat experiment using different coloured cans to measure which colour absorbs the most heat.



Ms Jo Canvin  
Head Teacher Science (Relieving)



## HSIE

### *ILLAWARRA REFUGEE CHALLENGE*

Select students from Year 11 Society and Culture and Year 11 Legal Studies will be given the opportunity to participate and lead the Illawarra Refugee Challenge at Bulli High School in early Term 2. These students will undergo a number of training sessions where they will be upskilled in the delivery of a program aimed at teaching Year 9 and 10 students about the refugee experience. They will then deliver this experience to the whole of Year 9 and 10 across a week in Term 2 where students will learn about various aspects of a refugee's journey including; education, food, escaping danger across oceans on a leaky boat and spending time in a detention centre. This is the first time that Bulli High School has been part of the Refugee Challenge and we feel it is an incredibly important experience for our students to be given. The fact that our own senior students will be the ones delivering the challenge is even more exciting and demonstrates the leadership skills our students possess.

### *SOCIETY AND CULTURE – VISIT FROM FORMER HIGH ACHIEVING STUDENT*



On Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> Feb, Year 11 Society and Culture studies were able to interact with a special guest. Bronte Slater, a past student from Year 12 2019 came in to share her experiences and expertise on the course with students. Bronte received an impressive 97% in her HSC for Society and Culture. She shared her experiences and ideas on approaching the course with year 11, who were also eager to ask her a number of questions, specifically about the Personal Interest Project they will undertake later this year. Students gained a lot from the conversation and Bronte also gained experience for her career choice of teaching.

### *YEAR 8 STUDY SKILLS*

For the second year in a row HSIE will be dedicating a small portion of our fortnightly time with Year 8 to study skills. Students will be asked to complete an activity book over the course of 2020 that aims to improve skills around certain areas of study such as time management, organisation, homework, motivation etc. We hope that our Year 8 students are able to start (or continue) building good habits in relation to their school work.

Mr Samuel Dixon  
Head Teacher HSIE

## Green Team

### *GREEN TEAM – CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY EVENT*

On Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February, the Green Team participated in ‘Clean up Australia Day’. The focus zone for this year was the periphery of the school grounds, where litter can be blown away from bins and out of site. Whilst most of the refuse was plastic food wrappers, we were pleasantly surprised by the reduction in numbers of single use drink containers and plastic straws compared to previous clean ups. It is certainly a credit to our Canteens refusal of single straw use and the “return and earn’ campaign the Green team operates every day at Bulli High. Congratulations to our Eco Warriors!



Mrs Fraser and Mrs Haines  
Green Team

## **Immunisation**

### *IMMUNISATION UPDATE*

Congratulations to all those in Year 7 who participated bravely in the Immunisation program on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February. Students received their first dose of Human Papillomavirus Vaccine (HPV) and the Diphtheria – Tetanus- Pertussis Vaccine (dTpa). The final dose of HPV for year 7 will occur in approximately 6 months time. Year 10 will receive their Meningococcal immunisations during Term 2. More information will be released closer to the event.

The following links are helpful for any further information contact Stacey Fraser the immunisation coordinator at School.

### *SCHOOL – BASED ADOLESCENT IMMUNISATION PROGRAM:*

<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/schoolvaccination.aspx>

Other than English: translated school-based vaccination Information and can be found at:

[http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/school\\_vaccination\\_language.aspx](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/school_vaccination_language.aspx)

### *GENERAL IMMUNISATION INFORMATION:*

National Centre for immunisation Research and Surveillance

<http://www.ncirs.edu.au>

The Cancer Council HPV website at

<http://www.hpvvaccine.org.au>

Immunise Australia

<http://www.immunise.health.gov.au>

## **Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award**



Congratulations to Isabelle Savill-Brown (Year 12) for the completion of her Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award. Isabelle began in the Duke of Edinburgh program at Bulli High in 2017 as a Year 9 student entering as a Bronze participant and in the following year, she completed her Silver award.

At each level of the award Isabelle has shown sustained, regular commitment of an hour a week in each of the sections of community service, skill and sport. At Gold level, this is a 12-month commitment. Isabelle has also completed 2 multi day hikes in the Northern Territory and has participated in a 5 day residential project.

Participants in the Duke of Edinburgh program choose their own activities to suit their individual interests. Isabelle's activities included reading and fitness and she completed her community service at a local co-op. These activities were all completed independently, outside of school time and have continued throughout her HSC studies.

This prestigious award will be presented to Isabelle later in the year at a Gold Award ceremony in Sydney. Well done Isabelle.

Mrs Jenni Ellsmore

Duke of Ed Co-ordinator

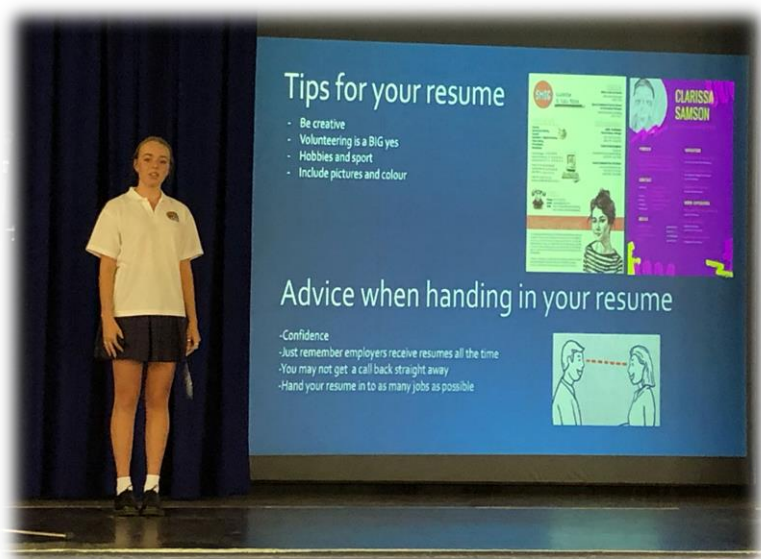
## Careers

### YEAR NINE FOCUS ON THE BENEFITS OF PART TIME WORK

Courtesy of two highly sophisticated presentations from Taia Hanley in Year 11 and Louis Stephen in Year 12, our Year 9 Students have gained an excellent insight into the world of part time work and building employability skills.

The students constructed PowerPoint presentations outlining their own stories in finding and maintaining part time employment. They both stressed the need to have a balanced approach to their HSC and how gaining part time employment has helped in several facets of their own development. The presentation also covered the use of the Bulli High Careers Website as a valuable tool for constructing resumes and conducting further research.

Thank you also to the many others who made this event possible including Mr Hickey for organising the opportunity, Ms Dal Molin for her organisation and Mr Trenaman and his outstanding Year 12 helpers including: Jake McCoy, Lola Kelly, Djamady Keita and Patrick Stapleton for their technical support.



Mr Richard Harding  
Careers Advisor

## Library

### PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE 2020.

The PRC this year runs from the 2nd March to the 28th August. It challenges students from Year 7 to 9 to read 20 books, 15 books from the PRC list and 5 personal choice books. This year you can log your reading log on:

<https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/studentExperience.html#/>

You will need to use your school internet username and password to login

Students from Year 7 and Year 8 are more than welcome to use the books they are reading for the renaissance reading program to also complete the PRC.

Please come and see Miss Martin if you have any questions or need help with your reading log.



**Visit the student site!**



<https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/studentExperience.html#/>

**Discover books to read**

Pick a challenge level	K - Year 2	Year 3 - Year 4	Year 5 - Year 6	Year 7 - Year 9	
Choose Genre(s)	Action/Adventure	Comedy	Family/Relationships	Fantasy	Show More
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**Or just looking for a particular book ?**

Search

Miss Kylie Martin  
Teacher/Librarian

## Basketball

### THE MORNING OF THE GAMES

With all the squad pumped & ready for some high intensity basketball, we suffered an early setback with defensive dynamo, Ky Air, ruled out of action due to a concussion from his weekend's footy. From what he remembers it was a really good tackle. Ky's omission opened the door for the 'next man up', which after extensive consideration went to Jack 'Clamps Down' Cotterill for his defensive skill set. As a great testament to his selflessness & team first mentality, Jack quickly ruled himself out due to back spasm tightness, which again opened the door for another opportunity, with Corban 'Throw Down' Brown the next man up & the team ready for game 1.

### GAME 1 V WOLLONGONG

Starting the game slowly, we traded baskets & stops with the Wollongong side who were a well-coached and talented unit featuring one of the tallest & talented U/18 junior basketballers in the region. Though we had plans for that! Our undersized 5s, as a tag team tandem, were OUTSTANDING defensively, as they wore out their more fancied counterpart with disciplined denial, strength & dogged determination to win every contest for the ball. Toby & Ryan Couchman, take a bow. Ethan Hawken & Judah Kami were similarly strong in this regard & with this quartet owning the paint, the challenge was left to contain 'Money Max', Wollongong's star point guard. After a tight first half the stage was set for our team to pounce & in the 3rd & 4th quarter we came out blazing!

Caelen 'Speedy' Bennett was firing from range & CJ Bayato was a constant threat attacking the rim. Tommy Mott even got in there with some superb solo skills, cashing a buzzer beating pull up J as the 3rd quarter closed. Thanks to our early efforts, we were able to go deep in to the bench to get some younger guns a run, & they didn't disappoint, with Eamonn Dunning doing his thing for some late buckets & Corban 'Throw Down' Brown, nearly dunking on a breakaway open court break.

Of course Mason Broadhead & Anakin Hughes clocked most of our buckets, but the most impressive feature of the game was everyone's willingness to share the ball to create good scores. Captain Mikey Mouawad was an outstanding leader as always as he talked us through the tense moments & always came up with the key plays when we needed them, at both ends of the court as we streaked away late for a comfortable win.

### GAME 2 V KEIRA

Game 2 was a much tougher affair with Keira having a little more muscle & presence in the paint, limiting our opportunities for easy buckets. Trailing early after a sluggish start, we were sparked by CJ Bayato (who has the biggest bounce in the Illawarra, just in case you didn't know) & Tommy Mott with the ball in their hands & Ethan Hawken on the defensive end. Anakin Hughes went up a gear in this one, but along with his prolific scoring, he was finding teammates who continually knocked down the long bombs, with Mason Broadhead doing it all, as he found his way to the rim time after time & knocked them down from downtown almost at will. We had to check the thermometer in the stadium, as he. Was. Hot! We again stretched out the game late to provide our starters some valuable rest before a shot as the also undefeated Smith Hill in the final.



## Basketball - continued

### GAME 3 V SMITHS HILL – 56-52

This final was epic!

After a tough, defensive & dour first quarter, you just knew this win was not going to be given, but earned. After a 7-1 foul count against us in the first & falling behind by 14 points in the second quarter, we had to make some changes. Enter Judah Kami. After being torched for 10 straight puts by a Smiths Hill superstar, Judah was charged with 'Operation Lockdown' & didn't he deliver! Along with Captain Mikey Mouawad, these two locked down their star, limiting his catches & opportunities & he went scoreless in the second half.

So with our defence sorted, it was all about our O & our & breaking down the disciplined defence of the Smiths Hill unit. We stretched the floor, shared the ball, & everyone played their role to perfection. Anakin was distributing with precision.

Mikey & Mason were knocking down the 3 balls & Ryan, Toby & Ethan were phenomenal as undersized 5s competing for EVERY loose rebound & possession.

In a to & fro affair we cashed clutch buckets to force overtime, before a tense OT period where Anakin came up clutch late knocking down 4 straight free throws to ice the game.

Congratulations team & squad for an outstanding team effort & taking out the Northern Illawarra Zone. And special thanks to all of our squad members & development players, who have worked just as hard as the rest of the team & we all know won't let us down if they get the opportunity.

Next stop, South Coast Finals!



Mr Steve Delaney  
South Coast Secondary Boys Basketball Coach/Convener

# ONE AGENCY

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## Year 7 Enrichment Class Program 2021

### *Placement Application Information*

Students in Year 6, 2020 will be able to apply for one of two Enrichment Classes for Year 7, 2021:  
The STEM class and/or The Arts class.

The two Enrichment Classes will follow the same curriculum pattern as all students in Year 7. Each will have a unique focus which will build on students' strengths and talents.

Students applying will need to demonstrate a commitment and motivation to their learning and will be able to support their application with a portfolio of work.

The Enrichment Classes are open to all students who currently attend a Bulli High School partner Primary School (Waniora, Bulli, Thirroul, Austinmer, Coedale, Scarborough, Stanwell Park, Otford and Helensburgh Primary Schools), or those students who reside in the local enrolment area for Bulli High School.

Application forms are available from the Bulli High School Office,  
Bulli High School Website – [www.bulli-h.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.bulli-h.schools.nsw.edu.au)  
And all member schools of our local Seacliff Community of Schools

Enquiries can be directed to:

Ms Julie Swain, Head Teacher Admin & LOTE and Enrichment Class Co-ordinator

Email: [julie.swain@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:julie.swain@det.nsw.edu.au)

Phone: 4284 8266



## Best Start Year 7 Assessment

Dear parents and carers,

Year 7 students will participate in the Best Start Year 7 Assessment in Term 1, 2020.


Best Start Year 7 is an online literacy and numeracy assessment available to secondary schools that assesses key literacy and numeracy skills of Year 7 students. It is designed to assist teachers to identify students who may require additional support in developing their literacy and numeracy skills. The assessment is undertaken within the first five weeks of the school year.

The purpose of the Best Start Year 7 assessment is to provide feedback to teachers to help identify student needs. Feedback will be provided to teachers who may choose to share this with students, parents and carers during teacher interview processes.

Best Start Year 7 is just one of a range of assessments the school uses to assess students. Please inform the school if your child has special needs requiring support to complete an online assessment.

### Optional advice:

Students will be asked to bring headphones or earbuds that plug into a computer to enable them to hear audio during the assessment. Earbuds used for mobile phones or other portable devices may be suitable for use during the assessment. The type of computer connection needed is a jack or USB.



## School Community Charter

**Collaborative. Respectful. Communication.**


The following School Community Charter outlines the responsibilities of parents, carers, educators and school staff in NSW public schools to ensure our learning environments are collaborative, supportive and cohesive.

### What our schools provide

NSW public schools work to create positive environments for students, staff and the entire school community that support student learning. We strive to ensure that every student is known, valued and cared for.

The best education happens when parents and schools work together.

The School Community Charter aligns with the NSW Department of Education Strategic Plan 2018 - 2022.



### Positive environments

It is important that our NSW public schools are positive environments and that parents and carers are kept informed of students' progress and school announcements.

Parents and carers can expect:

- To be welcomed into our schools to work in partnership to promote student learning.
- Communication from school staff will be timely, polite and informative.
- Professional relationships with school staff are based on transparency, honesty and mutual respect.
- To be treated fairly. Tolerance and understanding are promoted as we respect diversity.

We treat each other with respect

We prioritise the wellbeing of all students and staff

Unsafe behaviour is not acceptable in our schools

We work together with the school

**Ensuring respectful learning environments for all members of NSW Public Schools communities.**

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We create collaborative learning environments

We all play our part

We work in partnership to promote student learning

### Communicating with our schools

Our staff will find a time to talk to you when they can give you their full attention. Please remember that while our staff are in class or dealing with other matters, they may not be available to answer your questions immediately.

Our schools and communities will make sure that written communication is appropriate, fair and easy to read. We encourage you to use email and social media appropriately to connect with your school and stay up-to-date with up-coming events in the school community.

Our guide for parents, carers and students provides useful information about the complaints process: [education.nsw.gov.au/about-us/rights-and-accountability/complaints-compliments-and-suggestions/guide-for-parents-carers-and-students](http://education.nsw.gov.au/about-us/rights-and-accountability/complaints-compliments-and-suggestions/guide-for-parents-carers-and-students)

### Respectful communication is a right

In all workplaces people have the right to feel respected. Unacceptable and offensive behaviour has no place in our school communities.

To ensure the wellbeing of students, staff and the community in our schools, steps will be taken to address unacceptable behaviour. This may include restricting contact with the school community or, in more serious cases, referral to NSW Police.

**Unacceptable behaviour may include but is not limited to:**

- Aggressive or intimidating actions, such as violence, threatening gestures or physical proximity.
- Aggressive or intimidating language, including the use of obscenities, making sexist, racist or derogatory comments or using a rude tone.
- Treating members of the school community differently due to aspects such as their religion or disability.
- Inappropriate and time wasting communication.





**School Community Charter**  
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**PCYC BULLI** **SCHOOL HOLIDAYS APRIL 2020**

TIMES: 9AM - 3PM COST: \$35 P/DAY AGES: 5-12 YRS

**ONLY \$35 P/DAY**

DATE	DAILY ACTIVITIES
TUE 14 APR	PARKOUR/SLIME MAKING/ARTS & CRAFTS (CREATIVE KIDS)
WED 15 APR	GYMNASTICS/FOOD ARTS/SOCCER
THU 16 APR	BASKETBALL/SOCCER/AFL DRILLS
FRI 17 APR	PARKOUR/BASKETBALL/ARTS & CRAFTS (CREATIVE KIDS)
MON 20 APR	BASKETBALL/SOCCER/RUNNING GAMES
TUE 21 APR	PARKOUR/FOOD ARTS/ARTS & CRAFTS (CREATIVE KIDS)
WED 22 APR	GYMNASTICS/DANCE/NETBALL
THU 23 APR	GYMNASTICS/BASKETBALL/RUNNING GAMES
FRI 24 APR	PARKOUR/DANCE/ARTS & CRAFTS (CREATIVE KIDS)

- RECESS AND LUNCH NOT PROVIDED -  
All participants MUST be members of PCYC. Become a member **NOW** for only \$10 per child, per year.  
Join online at [www.pycnsw.org.au/membership](http://www.pycnsw.org.au/membership)

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**Have amazing fun with friends!  
Learn new skills!  
Activities include:  
Canoeing; abseiling; camping; hiking**

**Cubs (7 ½ – 10 ½ years) 6:30-8:00pm Wednesday Evenings  
Scouts (10 ½ - 14 ½ years) 7:00-9:00pm Monday Evenings  
Bring a parent, bring a friend, join and make new friends!  
Come along to our Hall at 20 Moore Street Austinmer.  
What have you got to lose?  
For more info contact Steve on 4268 2004 or 0409 695 575  
Look forward to seeing you there!**

### AUTISM SUPPORT IN WOLLONGONG LGA

The Autism Community Network provides free support for families living with autism conditions. If you would like to meet other carers who understand you or find social opportunities for your ASD child and their siblings, please contact us or come along to our free support group meetings.

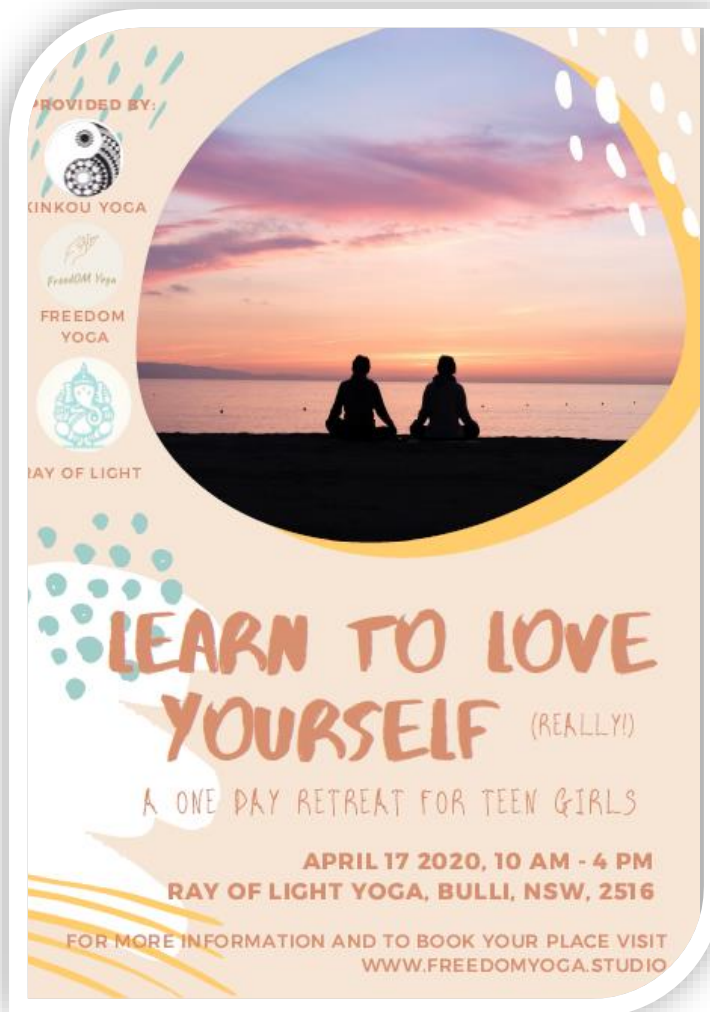
#### WOLLONGONG SUPPORT GROUP

Meets First Thursdays during school terms 10am to noon  
**VENUE:** Illawarra Leagues Club  
Come along and meet other parents and carers for mutual support.

#### OTFORD KIDS CLUB

Meets Tuesdays during school terms 4.00 to 6.00 pm  
Otford Community Hall - 121 Otford Road, Otford  
A club for kids on the spectrum and their siblings to play games, socialise and make friends.

For more information :  
[www.autismcommunity.org.au](http://www.autismcommunity.org.au) | [info@autismcommunity.org.au](mailto:info@autismcommunity.org.au) | 9543 9036



## **CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS**

### *Bulli High Canteen*

Bulli High School canteen is the biggest fundraiser for our school but we can't do it without volunteers.

We have 4 people everyday,  
2 volunteers, 2 staff.

It's 1 day per month, 9.30am – 2.30pm approximately

It's a great way to meet your child's teachers,  
some other lovely ladies and enjoy a great lunch.

If you would like to volunteer with a friend,  
get in early so the roster can be organised.

No experience needed.

PLEASE GIVE IT A TRY

**Call Lyn Falkiner on 4284 8266 ext 119**

**BULLI HIGH SCHOOL CANTEEN**