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Burwood Girls High School Newsletter

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For Your Diary

TERM 3, 2007	
JUL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 17 • First day of term – all students • <i>Event #5</i> distributed • Years 8-11 bring money for Recreational Sport Choices today
18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P&C Meeting, 7:30pm, Library • Senior Drama Showcase, 7pm Hall
19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duke of Edinburgh walk
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23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NAIDOC Assembly • Snr SRC meeting at lunchtime
25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mathematics Competition
26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yr.11 Crossroads Day 2
27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment Free Day • Renaissance Concert – rehearsals plus concert, 7pm, St Andrews, Summer Hill
29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waverley Band Festival • Sandakan Ceremony (BEP)
30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assembly – JCB • Jnr SRC meeting at lunchtime • Yr.12 S&C PIPs due • Yr.12 Visual Art HSC Body of Works set up in Hall
31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yr.12 HSC Body of Work Exhibition in Hall, evening
AUG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional Athletics
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yr.12 Reference information due
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional Athletics • Duke of Edinburgh walk
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Jeans for Genes Day</i> • Duke of Edinburgh walk • Yr.12 Visual Art HSC Body of Works removed from Hall • Yr.12 Textiles Exhibit, 6pm, Library
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSC Trial exams 6-17 August • Year Assemblies • Snr SRC meeting at lunchtime
7-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ALC Language Competition
12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSC Textiles practical work due
13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yr.11 Jindabyne trip 13-17 August • No Assembly (Thursday bell times) • Jnr SRC meeting at lunchtime
15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P&C Meeting, 7:30pm, Library
16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Field Study Day #3
20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assembly – Snr Clt Quartet • Snr SRC meeting at lunchtime
22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yr.10/11 Subject Selection Night

P&C MEETINGS

3rd Wednesday of month, 7:30pm, Library.
Next Meetings: 18 July, 15 August

From the Principal...

Semester 1 concluded with some very successful events. I would like to thank parents for your participation and support for your daughters' achievements. I am pleased to report the following:

- 75% parent attendance at Year 7 parent/teacher night
- 50% parent attendance at Years 8/9/10 parent/teacher night
- 604 Blue and Gold Certificates awarded for Semester 1
- 363 Faculty Awards for Semester 1.



Semester 1 reports have been distributed to all students and I would like to thank our Head Teacher, Teaching and Learning, Jeff Stubbs for his magnificent efforts in managing the reporting process.

Semester 2 commences for students on Tuesday, 17 July and I hope both students and my colleagues have enjoyed a good break and are ready to face the challenges of Semester 2.

Mia Kumar

REGIONAL SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

On Monday, 18 June, Ms St Louis took six students to St. Ignatius College at Lane Cove for the Regional Shakespeare Festival. **Lilly Powell** and **Molly Patterson** were fantastic as Helena and Hermia from *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. **Renee Cayas**, **Manelaya Kaydos-Nitis** and **Indigo Elliott Phibbs** received a Highly Commended from the adjudicators who were impressed with the acting talents of our Year 9 students. As we were the only school from the state system, we were quite thrilled with our results. **Elisabeth Lester** from Year 10 won the set design section with her design for the play *Hamlet*. She will move to the next level in the competition – the State Shakespeare Festival.

Annetta St Louis, Head Teacher English

RENAISSANCE CONCERT

This year's "Renaissance" Concert will be held at St. Andrew's Anglican Church, Summer Hill, on Friday, 27 July, at 7:00 pm. Put the date in your diary for another wonderful evening of music, poetry and dance.

Lorraine Clairbrook, Music Department

TOURNAMENT OF MINDS

Two teams have been chosen to represent Burwood Girls High at this year's Tournament of Minds. They will be the BlueTeam: **Lulu Tan** and **Ishita Mehrotra** Year 10; **Natalie Afshar** Year 9; **Joanne Lee**, **Marina Lawrie**, **Lucy White**, and **Clare Cornish** Year 7 and the Gold Team: **Rikki Collins** and **Alexis Talbot Smith** Year 10; **Michelle Sverdlhoff-Bruer** and **Lucy Skillin** Year 8; **Niamh Kyriacou**, **Lisa Li** and **Leah Emmanuel** Year 7.



The next few months will be difficult, busy and wonderful for all these girls as they take on the challenge of problem solving and discovery offered by this Tournament. This year the Regional Tournament of Minds will take place on Saturday, August 25.

On the first day of next term the students will be given problems in four categories: Language and Literature, Social Science, Maths Engineering and (new in 2007) Applied Technology. Each team will choose one of these categories and then have six weeks to formulate their solutions. On Tournament Day they will have ten minutes to present their solution and

will also be required to solve an unseen Spontaneous Challenge.

Ariadne Keldoulis and **Arielle Tsoukatos** of Year 10, both experienced team members of past tournaments, have been guiding and coaching the teams.

*Jurate Janavicius,
Tournament of Minds Facilitator*

ENGLISH COMPETITION

On Tuesday, 19 June, 79 students sat for the UNSW English Competition. This test will be marked by the University and results will be available in Term 3.

Annetta St Louis, Head Teacher English



Thank you to Jeff Stubbs for technology support for reports.



*Ms O'Brien, Mr Waddington & Ms Gleave, Year 7 PTS
Night*

GIFTED AND TALENTED PROGRAM

Twenty nine members of the Year 7 Rich Task Team are fully engaged in research for their respective tasks. There is an astonishing range of topics; from billy-carts, Marie Antoinette, adoption, Darwin evolution, to dance, reflecting the depth of talent. At the start of Term 3 the students will confirm their reports and chosen creative modes of the Rich Task. The team members will preview their completed tasks at a

special evening with the parents towards the end of Term 3.

Margaret Nowak, Coordinator G&T

VET AWARDS

Congratulations to **Alexandra Kemp**, Year 12 and Hewlett Field, IT Teacher for their successful awards for the Sydney Region VET Awards. Alexandra was nominated for Vocational Student of the Year and Ms Field for the Minister's Award for a VET in Schools Teacher.



SPORT REPORT

Congratulations to all those die hard ladies who competed at the Regional Cross Country on Friday, 22 June. Gosford Racecourse is difficult to run at the best of times but after all the rain it was extremely challenging for the girls. **Ruby Hackett**, Year 10, **Kate** and **Jenny Conder**, Year 12 will compete at the CHS Carnival held in Term 3.

Zone Athletics

Once again, with the mighty grit and determination of our girls, we have gained top spot in the Zone for Athletics. A two day carnival held 25 & 26 June at Homebush produced some outstanding individual and team results in extremely harsh conditions. **Maddy Wilson**, **Ruby Hackett** and **Kate Conder** are Zone Age Champions for 2007.

- Taryn Vanslambrouck blitzed her opposition in the 17+ yrs hurdles.
- Jenny Conder broke the 17+ yrs 1500m record which has stood since 1978.
- Alanah Arnold brought her relay team (16 yrs) across the finish line 1st in the closest call of the day.
- The 14s and 17+ yrs relays left their opponents in the dust, winning by an impressive 50 metres.

The girls' behaviour and team spirit was fantastic and A BIG THANK YOU to the teachers and especially the Year 10 PASS class who attended both days as track and field marshals.

Girls and relay teams that finished 1st or 2nd will compete at the Regional Carnival early in Term 3.

Regional Gymnastics

Oona Chan, Year 8, **Samantha Nichols**, Year 8 and **Josie Perez**, Year 7 competed at the Regional Gymnastics event at Five Dock on Wednesday, 20 June. All three girls excelled and have gained positions on the Regional (Met North) Team to compete at the CHS Carnival in Term 3. Congratulations, ladies!

The following is a quote dedicated to the Year 12 girls with whom I and the PDHPE staff have had the pleasure of watching grow and develop into mature young women who lead our school sporting teams with a team spirit that allows us, as a school, to excel at all levels of competition: "There are many things in life that catch your eye, but only a few will capture your heart...pursue these with passion, courage and perseverance and you will lead, succeed and reach the top."

Yours in sport, Jan Gianotti

7B PRESENTS MACBETH

Year 7B English class has completed their presentations of Shakespeare texts. Some of the 'witches' predictions for Macbeth showed innovation and special character.



Margaret Nowak

RESPONSIBILITIES FOR SENIOR STUDENTS

We are constantly monitoring senior students, expecting them to maintain consistent attendance and stay on top of their HSC studies. We ask parents to support school policies by being aware of due dates for

assessment tasks and by encouraging their daughters to be on time for school and dressed appropriately.

Cheryl Gleave, Deputy Principal

HEALTH NOTICE

There have been a number of cases this term of head lice. In the past when this has been brought to our attention we have issued letters home to inform parents.

Please contact the school if you are aware of head lice so that we can pass on this information.

This term has also produced a number of cases of conjunctivitis. This is highly contagious so we ask that parents please do not send their daughter to school until they have a doctor's certificate stating it is safe to do so. Thank you for your cooperation.

Olga Maroc, Head Teacher Welfare

P&C ASSOCIATION

The next meeting is to be held on Wednesday, 18 July at 7:30 pm in the school Library. Our guest speaker, Robert Brett, will talk about mathematics in the school. All parents, friends and community members are welcome to attend.

Elaine Browne, President, P&C

P&C UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop is open every Tuesday from 9am to 3pm (recess and lunchtime for students) unless otherwise notified.

Elaine Browne, Shop Manager



Thank you parents, students and staff for your great efforts in Semester 1



Congratulations to Year 12 for their fabulous jersey design!
