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Burwood Girls High School Newsletter

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For Your Diary

TERM 4, 2008	
Oct 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Event #7 distributed HSC Courses begin Yr.7 GAT Meeting, 6:00 pm, Rm 30 BEP Parent Meeting, 7:30 pm
22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> P&C Meeting, 7:15 pm, Room 27
23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prefects Meeting, lunchtime
27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SRC Meeting, lunchtime
28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ICB Tour (3 days) Uniform Shop CLOSED TODAY Pink Cupcake Day
29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Council Meeting
Nov 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> JCB/SSE Day Tour Yr.11 Presentation Evening (reports distributed)
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr.12 Sign-Out Day 1 (10:30am-1:00pm only)
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prefects Meeting, lunchtime Yr.6 Interviews commence (until 14 Nov)
10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Certificate Tests, Hall SRC Meeting, lunchtime
11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Certificate Tests, Hall
12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Certificate Computing Skills Tests Sculpture by the Sea, Yr.11 trip
13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr.12 Sign-Out Day 2 (10:30am-1:00pm only) Yr.12 Formal
16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BEP Soiree Week 2 begins
17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ASSEMBLY Event #8 distributed Fashion Parade rehearsals
18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fashion Parade, 7 pm, Hall
19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> P&C Annual General Meeting
20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr.11 'Wired' performance, p.1 Prefects Meeting, lunchtime
21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Renaissance Concert, 7pm Last day for payments/receipts before Rollover on 1 December
24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SRC Meeting, lunchtime Jnr Drama Showcase, 7pm
<p>P&C MEETINGS 3rd Wednesday of month, 7:15pm, Room 27. Next Meetings: 22 October, 19 Nov AGM</p>	

From the Principal...

Last term we celebrated the achievements of our Year 12 students with families, friends and teachers at three separate and very successful events: Year 12 Concert, the Year 12 Graduation and the Year 12 Picnic.



Ms Slocombe & Ms Scott



Fond farewell to the front gate!



2008 Captains Allison Baillie, Harriet Philip & Jordan Michelmores cutting the graduation cake



Mr Ying, Ms Simpson, Ms Kumar & Ms Gray

I was especially proud of the behaviour, cooperation, courtesy that Year 12 students demonstrated. The talent and enthusiasm they displayed and dignity in which they conducted themselves were quite inspiring.

On behalf of our entire school community we wish all Year 12 students a successful journey through the HSC examinations.

Mia Kumar

SENTIMENTAL SARABAND

The annual "Renaissance" Concert is to be a late springtime event, held this year on Friday, 21 November, at 7:00 pm. Our venue this year is the atmospheric St John's Anglican Church, Bland Street, Ashfield.

Put this date in your diary and be prepared for yet another wonderful evening of music, poetry and dance, presented by the classroom music program, Camerata Strings, A Cappella and other performers.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Lorraine Clairbrook & Ynping Mak, Music Teachers

BURWOOD GIRLS WIN VIDEO FESTIVAL

V-Fest, a video festival run by Rose Bay Secondary College, was held at the Chauvel Cinema in Paddington on Tuesday evening 23 September 2008.

Four entries from Burwood Girls High School were selected to be screened. We are delighted that our students gained 1st and 3rd places in the Junior Section.

Congratulations to **Aurora Sice** of Year 9 for 3rd place. Aurora received a prize of \$100 for her video "Mistaken Identity"

Our winners of the Junior Section were **Alicia Paolino, Anthea Trazzera, Daniella Rubino-Panucci** and **Loretta Nguyen**, all from Year 9. They were awarded an "Oscar" and a prize of \$250 for their thriller, "The Black Glove".

Special thanks to the Photographic and Digital Media teachers, Ms Vanessa Bellemore and Mr Brett Cheshire, for their encouragement and support of our students.

Michelle Kals, Head Teacher Creative Arts



YEAR 11 STUDENTS EXHIBIT AT THE NATIONAL ART SCHOOL

We now have a number of wonderful life-size plaster figurative sculptures on exhibition in the Visual Arts foyer. They are the work of some of our Year 11 students who were selected for the National Art School's HSC Visual Arts Extension Course in Studio Practice. Six of our Year 11 Visual Arts students exhibited their artwork at the National Art School as the culmination of their work in the course on Saturday 11 October. As well as sculpture we had students exhibit paintings and ceramic work. The girls showed fantastic commitment to their learning by spending a week of their July vacation and the second

week of their October vacation at the course. They have worked incredibly hard and put in long hours to achieve their success. The exhibition was of a very high standard and congratulations go to all our students. The students exhibiting were:

Audrey Alim – Painting

Naomi Finlay – Sculpture

Juliet Ho – Painting

Elizabeth Lester – Sculpture

Marlene Radice – Ceramics

Olivia Tahan – Sculpture

Michelle Kals, Head Teacher Creative Arts



BEP NEWS

The Inner West Festival held on 14 September was very enjoyable, with 20 bands taking part. A good day was had by all.

The Play-a-thon, held on the last day of Term 3, was a little different this year. With all the building

work going on around the school we could not hold the event overnight. Instead we had it start at 4pm after school until midnight. We felt this was a little disappointing for our students as they have a lot of fun overnight. All our money is not in at this time but our tally so far is around \$800.

Play-a-thon!



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ICB touring Central Coast, 28-30 October
- SCB, Strings and Stage Band day tour to Southern Highlands, 3 November
- Remembrance Day Ceremony at War Graves, Rookwood Cemetery, also Ashfield RSL
- Stage Band, citizenship ceremony for Burwood Council on 10 November

Congratulations to the new mayor of Burwood, Ms Lesley Furneaux-Cook, one of our Year 10 parents. We are looking forward to Lady Mayor Furneaux-Cook visiting the school on assembly, 17 November to present a cheque from Burwood Council to the Band Program.

Elaine Browne, Head Administrator, BEP

SRC RAFFLE RESULTS

Congratulations to the following winners in the recent SRC raffle:

Ms R Johnson, Naomi Cummins, Mr N Akunyare, Ms T Han, Ms E Davey, Annie Young, Kara McKee, Leila Kirvan, Jess La Rosa, Yanni Plataniotis, Ms L McKee, Nawal Abdi.

All winners were either students or their family members, and some lucky winners won more than one prize! All money raised goes into our Hands Across the Ocean appeal. Thank you to all who bought or sold tickets and also to those who donated prizes.

Patrice Simpson, Head Teacher Social Sciences

WELCOME BACK TO TERM 4

Welcome back everyone to the beginning of a very busy term.

The HSC has already started for our Year 12 students and Year 10 are preparing to do their School Certificate in November. The rest of the school is working hard preparing for presentations, assignments and exams that will go towards their yearly reports. This is a time for all students to strive to achieve their personal best. By concentrating and completing all class and home work and working closely with their classroom teachers, students will achieve a yearly report of which they should be proud.

Just a reminder that school begins at 8:45am and students must be at school at this time. It is important for all students to start the day with roll call, as many important announcements are given out during that time. It is also very disruptive for classes when students arrive late. On an administrative level, in addition to the verbal/text response to the automated call sent by the attendance system, there is still a requirement for a written explanation for any absence or lateness.

The high standard of uniform needs to be maintained right to the end of the year. Proper sports uniform is to be worn on Tuesdays and during PE lessons only. Full school uniform is to be worn at all other times. This includes the correct skirt, shoes, jumpers etc.

As of late we have had many parents contact the school on a wide variety of topics and issues. It has been wonderful to have this dialogue with so many parents. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions regarding any school activity, issue or to discuss your daughter's progress.

On a personal note I would like to say congratulations and farewell to our 2008 Year 12 cohort. I was so proud of their behaviour and attitude at the end of last term and right throughout the year. They conducted themselves as mature young women and I wish each and every one all the best for future. As my first Year 12 through Burwood Girls High, they will retain special memories for me. As a group they made me feel very welcome from the beginning and I thank them all for that. As always, my door will be open to all!!

I wish the school well for the upcoming term and look forward to seeing many parents at the various presentations evenings we have scheduled over the coming weeks. We will have a great deal to celebrate as we recognise the achievements of so many of our students.

Janina Longman, Deputy Principal

BACK-TO-SCHOOL ALLOWANCE

The \$50 Back-to-School Allowance for every child attending school in New South Wales will be paid by the Department of Education and Training and is designed to help families meet some of the costs of getting their children back to school at the start of the 2009 school year.

To enable the payments to be made, schools have been asked to provide details of family and student names and addresses. The Department proposes to forward the \$50 allowance from mid-January 2009 for students in Years 1 to 10 in 2009 and from mid-February 2009 for students in Kindergarten and Years 11 and 12 in 2009.

The Allowance will be paid to the parent or custodial guardian nominated at enrolment. If the parent or guardian's name appears differently on their bank account, please notify the school. This will avoid difficulty in banking the allowance cheque.

If you have recently changed your address or family details, please contact the school as soon as possible.

Bronwyn Hatzis, Senior Administrative Manager

P&C MEETING, WEDNESDAY, 22 OCTOBER

NOTE NEW TIME: The P&C Meeting will be held in Room 27 at 7:15 pm on Wednesday, 22 October.

Remember the meetings will be held in Room 27 (enter via front door of school) until further notice due to the building works around the school.

Elaine Browne, President P&C

P&C UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop is getting ready for Year 7 2009 interviews in Weeks 4&5. All stock has been delivered.

Available to purchase is the new, navy woolen vest for \$50 to all students. The new, blue PE shirt has arrived – now available in the shop for \$30.

Week 2: Special discount week for Year 10! If you are going onto Year 11 next year we have a special deal for you! Buy the senior navy skirt and senior shirt together for \$60. (The usual price is \$50 skirt & \$25 shirt – a saving of \$15!) This special week only, we are open on Monday 20 October (8:30-11:00am) and Wednesday 22 October (8:30-11:00am) **for Year 10 sales only**. We are also open on the usual Tuesday, 21 October (8:30-2:30pm) for everyone.

Please note: The Uniform Shop is closed on Tuesday, 28 October due to Band Program commitments.

Trading hours: every Tuesday, 8:30 am – 2:30 pm (students: recess and lunchtime only). Ph: 9747 3355.

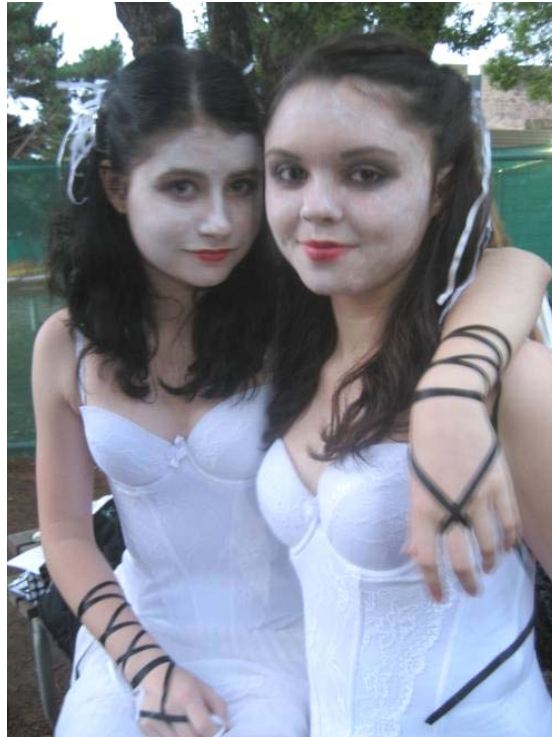
CHANGES TO SCHOOL CALENDAR

The School Calendar for Terms 3 & 4 (blue) which was posted home to parents, has the following changes:

- 20 October – add Yr.7 GAT Meeting, 6pm, Rm 30-31.
- 20 October – add Prefects Meeting, lunchtime

- 28 October – add Pink Cupcake Day – students raising money for charity.
- 21 November – add Renaissance Concert.

DANCE WORKSHOP – 14 OCTOBER



COMMUNITY NOTICES

BE EYE AWARE – FREE INFORMATION EVENT

Leading Ophthalmologists: Dr John Downie, will speak on Macular Degeneration and Diabetic Retinopathy; Dr Carolyn Ross and Dr Domit Azar, will speak on Cataracts, Glaucoma and External Eye Conditions.

Venue: Burwood RSL, Shaftesbury Rd, Burwood
Date: Monday, 3 November, 10am-12noon.

Presenters: Glaucoma Australia, Guide Dogs NSW/ACT, Ashfield VIP Support Group, Macular Degeneration Foundation, Quantum Technology, Vision Australia. To register or for more information contact Quantum Technology on 8844 9888, or info@quantumtechnology.com.au, or www.quantumtechnology.com.au.