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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

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Staffing

As Mr Robinson continues his leave, the Principal's position is currently being shared by Ms Spinks and myself. I would like to thank Mrs Gee and Mr Wrightson for their support in relieving in the Deputy Principal's positions and we look forward to Mr Robinson's planned return later this term. I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome Ms Rees to Belmont High School who has taken up a position in the HSIE faculty.

Student Achievement

We have new student captains and vice captains on duty in the school, to whom I offer my formal congratulations. Alex Golden, Jackson Voorby, Jessica Pickering and Joshua Redding have been nominated to the captains and vice captains positions respectively and are already performing admirably in the roles. Their efforts at the Year 12 graduation were impeccable and I was also proud to see them contribute to the recent Remembrance Day ceremony at Cullen Park. I would like to pay my highest respects to our outgoing captains and vice captains Jessica Noble, Jake Foster, Emelie Houston and Casey Turner who have represented the school impeccably throughout the past year.



We have recently farewelled Year 12 in both their Graduation and Formal which is always a bitter sweet moment for staff. They can only be described as a great group of young men and women and as I noted at their formal evening, the look of relief on their faces having finished those HSC examinations was clearly evident. We can only wait for those results now but it is well worth remembering that the Higher School Certificate is but one milestone in life and no matter what the outcome, great things await them all.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

November

- 21 White Card Course
- 21 P&C Meeting
- 23 Year 10 Rewards Day

December

- 3 Year 6 Parent Info Session
- 4 Year 6 Orientation Day
- 5 MADD Night
- 10 Year 7 Rewards Day
- 11 Year 8 Rewards Day
- 12 Presentation Night
- 13 Colour Challenge Day
- 17 Year 9 Rewards Day
- 19 Last Day for Students

January 2019

- 29 Staff return 2019
- 30 Students return Years 7, 11 & 12
- 31 Students return Years 8, 9 & 10

Further congratulations are due to Year 12 students Ky Willott and Jessica Pickering who have been awarded Sporting Blue awards by the Combined High Schools Sports Association. Ky has been acknowledged for hockey and Jessica for Diving.

2019 Planning

We are currently well underway with our planning and timetabling for 2019. We look forward to introducing our targeted CAPA class in Year 7 and are also revising our attendance monitoring processes and Individual Education Plan strategies to further support our students. An information evening for our incoming Year 7 will occur on 3/12/18 with their orientation day on the 4/12/18. Further information will be distributed through the respective primary schools.

P&C MEETING

The next P&C meeting will be Wednesday, November 21 2018 at 5.30pm in the staff common room. Everyone welcome to attend.

Building Project Upgrade

It is exciting to see activity on our school site for the commencement of our building project. We have had builders' offices placed behind our canteen and have completed a start-up meeting to discuss potential issues. It is planned that the canteen block will be demolished over the Christmas holidays and further work will begin on the lower level of E Block. This will mean a relocation of toilet and canteen facilities which will cause some disruption. Ultimately it is expected the main quad will be closed off at the commencement of 2019, if not sooner. The school will keep all stakeholders informed of any changes and we have already had to reconsider how Special Education drop-off and pick-up operates. It is expected further site disruptions will occur as the term draws to a close.

Michael Allenby
Relieving Principal

NSW Department of Education – School Infrastructure



Belmont High School Project update

November 2018

Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is spending \$6 billion over four years to deliver more than 170 new and upgraded schools. The budget also includes an additional \$160 million in 2018/19 as part of the record \$747 million maintenance investment announced last year. This is the biggest investment in public school infrastructure in the history of NSW.

Belmont High School

A major project is underway to upgrade Belmont High School. It will deliver new permanent innovative learning spaces, a new building for the special education unit including a canteen, toilets, new commercial and domestic kitchens, as well as upgrades to the school frontage and administration areas.

Progress Summary

The design and construct contract has been awarded to Hansen Yuncken. The detailed design is currently being finalised and site establishment will start in early November.

Keeping you updated

Regular updates about what to expect will be provided to the school and local community throughout construction.

Site establishment starts early November

Site establishment prepares the area so that construction can begin. We will:

- install signage and fencing around the work site
- deliver equipment and site sheds
- install four demountable classrooms to accommodate students temporarily
- survey the site and locate existing ground services.

Demolition of existing buildings within the work site area will start in late 2018. Further notification will be provided about the timing of these works.

Work will take place from 7am to 5pm Monday to Saturday. No work will take place on Sundays or public holidays.

We are here to make sure that work is completed safely and efficiently and we will minimise impacts on the community at every opportunity.

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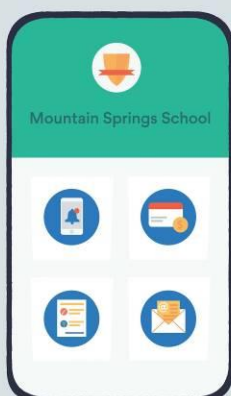
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YEAR 12 FORMAL



P&C REPORT

Our last P&C meeting for the year will be held on Wednesday 21 November from 5:30-6:30pm in the staff lounge. We have had a great year so far as we have talked about school uniforms, canteen, computers, school redevelopment, funding as well as many other interesting topics. At our final time together we will have the Aboriginal Education Worker (AEW) talking to us about indigenous issues at the school. All are welcome.

The P&C is a great way to keep in touch with what is going on in the school, to financially support the school with new equipment for our students and to network with other parents and interested parties. We would love for you to join us either at this meeting or in the New Year. If you would like to know any more about the P&C, please ring me on 0426 829 080.

Stephen Taylor
P&C President

WELLBEING REPORT

The inappropriate use of mobile phones is becoming a growing problem at all schools and we at Belmont High School are no exception. Using mobiles while in the classroom to contact parents/carers to instantly inform them of 'issues', taking photos of staff and students without their consent, filming behaviours in the playground, inappropriate messages being sent via text or social media are only naming a few of the issues that we now deal with on a daily or hourly basis. Such behaviours unfortunately have a negative 'flow on effect' socially and we find ourselves constantly 'picking up the pieces' while students are becoming less inclined to cope with daily issues as students of 20 years ago may have.

As a result, we ask that you please limit your phone contact with your child while at school, especially when they are in class. The growing problems that manifest as a result of the behaviour become very complex to deal with. Your child will benefit (and thank you later) as they will experience feeling frustrated, not always succeeding and actually solving problems for themselves. These situations give us the opportunity to practice our skills and use the many tools we require to cope with conflict, stress and failure in our adult lives.

At a recent conference that I attended a discussion on the importance of a child developing a high level of resilience for navigating their future lives led to a comment on 'Lawnmower Parents' and how 'helicopter parents' are being superseded.

The lawnmower parent does everything in their power to stop their child from living in the real world; not letting their child know that sometimes things don't go to plan, we fail, we fall over, stand up, fall again, and repeat. These parents mow down any obstacle in their child's way and are willing to go to 'whatever lengths necessary to prevent their child from having to face adversity, struggle or failure'.

Instead of preparing children for challenges, they mow obstacles down so kids won't experience them in the first place.

We would all like our children to have the perfect life all the time, but unfortunately this isn't reality nor does it benefit them in the future.

There are so many different styles of parenting and this is only one of the latest. Lawnmower or not, most parents are doing what they feel is best for their children at the time. It is natural instinct of a person not wanting to see their child struggle.

Parent Quotes to Ponder:

'Our job is to prepare the child for the road, not the road for the child.'

'Love your kids enough to give them the tools they need to function as a member of our incredible society.'

'I'm a lawnmower parent! My kid is out there mowing the lawn right now.'

Your cooperation would be greatly appreciated and ask that you assist with educating your child with appropriate mobile phone etiquette and remind them of the powerful tool they possess.

Alex McKinnon

On September 13, 2018 we were fortunate to have Alex McKinnon (former Newcastle Knight) speak to the whole school community regarding the difficult journey he has travelled after receiving the paralysing injuries that changed his life forever.

Alex spoke from the heart and shared with us his emotional journey of anger, self-pity, acceptance, love and now fatherhood. The quietness and respect demonstrated by nearly 1000 students was testament to the story and message he had to share with our school community. At times, he felt like giving up but then always reminded himself of the fact that it could have been worse and appreciating the life he still had.

Alex was passionate to share how we can take good out of a desperately 'bad' situation. He was amazed at the depth of questions students asked and answered them with great thought. Alex commented on the maturity and outstanding behaviour of all our students. We wish Alex and Tegan all the best as they embark on the toughest challenge yet – parenthood!

Thank you also to Alex for his patience in allowing students to pose for photos with him at the conclusion of the assembly.



This was a very fitting message for RUOK Day.

Karen Newman

Head Teacher Wellbeing (Relieving)



JAPANESE

During Term 3, we were fortunate enough to have the opportunity to host two exchange students at Belmont High School. The girls lived with host families in the Belmont area and returned to Japan at the end of Week 1, Term 4.

A big thank you must go to these host families who opened their homes to the girls for 3 months. Thank you also to Ayuka and Haruka who gave our students the opportunity to expand their knowledge of Japan and build their Japanese language skills. They took the time to come to our Year 8 Japanese lessons to practise speaking in Japanese as well as support our Year 10 and 11 students.

The girls threw themselves into every opportunity offered to them and made long lasting friendships with many of our students.

At the end of their stay at Belmont High School, I asked the girls to share some of their experiences in Australia and Belmont High School.



Name: Ayuka Kinoshita
Age: 17

What was your favourite subject at Belmont High School?

Maths and Japanese were my favourite subjects. I also liked English that my friend, Maddy taught me.

What has been your favourite experience in Australia?

I ate many Australian foods and it was very good. There have been good things and bad things but all things I will treasure. Talking with my friends and host family was something I liked best.

What will you miss about Australia?

I will miss my friends and host family. I appreciate all people who were kind and helped me.

What is something you learnt in Australia?

I learnt about Australian culture. It was new to me.

Message to Belmont High School:

Thank you for accepting me. I liked everything about BHS. BHS has many nice people and people who are interested in Japan. I'm really grateful to meet you guys. I used to think I couldn't make very good friends. Thank you for being my friend! I want to stay in touch with you guys!

Name: Haruka Nishiuetoko
Age: 17

What was your favourite subject at Belmont High School?

My favourite subjects are Maths, Japanese, P.E. and History.

What has been your favourite experience in Australia?

I was able to do trampolining. I joined the basketball team in Belmont High School and enjoyed playing with them.

What will you miss about Australia?

I think I will miss school life in Australia. I will miss my friends, the teachers, host family and the views of Australia. I will miss all of Australia.

What is something you learnt in Australia?

I learnt culture and the style of school in Australia. I learnt a lot of English words because you taught me when I talked with you.

Message to Belmont High School:

I'm glad to talk with the students and teachers in Belmont High School. When I'm in Japan, I will miss you all. Spending time with all of you will be an important memory. I'm looking forward to seeing you again! Thank you for your kindness ☺

Ms Galea
Japanese Teacher

SCIENCE

Year 11 Biology and Investigating Science students had the opportunity earlier this term to visit the Museum of Human Disease, located at the University of New South Wales in Kensington. The excursion was organised to supplement their studies on Diseases and Disorders as part of their Depth Study. Ms How and Mrs Tanti met the students at Cardiff train station before they embarked on the long trip down to Sydney.

Once at the University, the students began with a short presentation on non-infectious diseases and then explored the museum, viewing the specimens on display and completing questions as they went. The students were fascinated by the differences seen between healthy and infected organs and found the visual aspect helpful in understanding the effect of both infectious and non-infectious diseases.

Lunch was spent on the lawn in the sun, overlooking the graduating university students in their caps and gowns. After lunch, students returned to the museum to hear another short presentation, this time on genetics and their role in causing disease or disorders. Then began the long trek back to Central station and home to Cardiff.



Ms How & Mrs Tanti
Science

CAPA REPORT

Bandfest 2018 - Lake Macquarie Performing Arts Centre

Thursday October 25

Belmont High Percussion Ensemble set off for a wonderful performance involving their drums and buckets. They were up against some tough competition and some rather interesting ensembles from a number of different schools around the region. The adjudicator was so impressed that he awarded two first prizes. One to the Belmont High Percussion Ensemble and another to Merewether High Strings.

Congratulations to Brandon Bourke, Jack Beeton and Billy Croese in Year 11, Kristian Bunt and Ewan McKenzie in Year 9, Riley Stobbs in Year 8 and Zoe Murdoch in Year 7 who did us proud with their sticks and buckets and drums.



Friday October 26

It was a huge day of quality music making from some excellent ensembles from as far north as Bellingen and as far south as Asquith near Hornsby.

The Junior Band was up first. They played four pieces of music that we had only practised for a few weeks and after a rough start they pulled it all together and played really well. There were quite a few students who were very nervous and many who tried their best and played fabulously.

The Concert Band was primed and rehearsed and ready for a great performance. What happened on that stage was nothing short of fantastic with 52 performers locking into getting every note right at exactly the right moment. The air was electric and energy was spectacular. Needless to say the Belmont High Concert Band played so well that there are not enough words to describe the moment.

The Stage Band were the last group to take to the stage and were up against some excellent quality bands. The students involved in these ensembles were wonderful musicians and their schools were represented well.

It came right down to the wire and we were just pipped by the selective Gosford High. We were awarded a Highly Commended.

Bandfest Results

Junior Concert Band -Highly Commended -Intermediate High School Band Section

Concert Band –Winner- Premier High School Band Section

Stage Band- Highly Commended- High School Jazz Band Section

Percussion Ensemble- Winner- High School Open Section

HSC results

Ayden Cuskelly (drums) and Emily Gill (trumpet) were both awarded Encore Nominations for their Music 1 Practical Examinations held in Week 9 of Term 3. An Encore Nomination is awarded by NESA and recognises excellent quality in Music Performance. Successful nominees will be invited to perform at the ENCORE concerts at Sydney Opera House early next year. We wish both students the best of luck.

Congratulations to Mrs Perry in Dance for the Call Back Nomination awarded to Emily Gill for her major performance in HSC Dance. This award acknowledges high quality performance in Dance. We wish our other CAPA colleagues in Visual Arts all the best as Art Express nominations come out later this year.

Busy Term Four with GIGS GALORE!

Performances at:

Bandwith Competition – Friday Nov 9 at HSPA

BHS is collaborating with Lambton High for this Rock Band Competition where each rock band performs two pieces for a panel of expert judges. Wishing Brandon Bourke Year 11 on bass guitar and Chloe Gill Year 9 on vocals good luck with their band mates from Lambton High.

School Spectacular is on again in Sydney on November 23 - 24. BHS is represented again by Isabella O'Brien in Year 12 as a member of the Core Choir. We wish Isabella a wonderful couple of shows and hope she enjoys her last School Spectacular.

Year 6 Orientation Day/Concert Tuesday Dec 4 – BHS Hall – Junior Band, Percussion Ensemble, Stage Band, Vocal Ensemble.

MADD Night BHS Hall – Wednesday Dec 6.30pm-8.30pm

Tickets purchased at the door \$5 Adults, \$2 Kids (12 and under), Family \$10 – All Ensembles required – Junior Band, Concert Band, Stage Band, Percussion Ensemble, Vocal Ensemble + Featured Performers.

Carols By Candlelight – Sunday Dec 9, 2018 at Eastlakes Salvation Army 360 Pacific Hwy, Belmont North 6pm-8.30pm – Senior Vocal and Vocal Ensembles.

BHS Presentation Night Wednesday Dec 12, BHS Gym – Concert Band

Merit Assemblies Thursday Dec 13 - BHS Gym – Stage Band

Belmont North Carols – Thursday Dec 13 – Belmont North PS – Senior Vocal and Vocal Ensembles

Jewells Primary School Presentation Day Friday Dec 14 – BHS Gym – Stage Band

Belmont Citi Centre Performances 11am-12.30pm Tuesday Dec 18 – Stage Band & Vocal Ensemble

After this epic couple of weeks all students and staff will need a little rest or even a sleep.

We want to wish all our students and their families a wonderful holiday and safe and happy break.

Yours in music,
Mrs Johnson, Mrs Gill and Mr Gill

MUSIC COUNT US IN



**2019
MADD NIGHT CONCERT**
(Music, Art, Dance, & Drama)

Wednesday 5th Dec
Belmont HS School Hall
6:30pm – 8:30pm

Tickets available at the door

\$5 Adults

Gold coin for a child under 12

\$10 a family

**Come along and support our talented
students at BHS**

SUPPORT CLASS NEWS

It has been wonderful to see so many students participating in programs out in the community. Lily and Padraig participated in the Reading Cinema's program. This work experience enables students to have opportunities in exploring behind the scenes at movies. The preparation, team building exercises, organising equipment and learning all about how the movies operate.

We also have Taj completing work experience at Belmont Motor Mechanic, Engage Construction and also participating in the Waves of Wellness program at Caves Beach.

Kyhe is participating in work experience at Coles, Nicholas is completing work experience at Woolworths and Jakeob has been participating in a gardening program at school with our general assistant. All of these students have really enjoyed learning the life skills of work and preparing students for the next transition in their lives.

Another opportunity some of our year 10 students accessed was the SES Volunteer Program. Lakiesha and Georgia enjoyed learning about climbing roofs safely, experiencing a ride in a speed boat, visiting SES sites, learning about rescues and wearing all the SES gear provided an invaluable learning experience as an SES Volunteer.



Earlier this term we attended the movies and on Tuesday November 27 we are visiting the Reptile Park at Gosford. These excursions are important as they meet educational outcomes, community access and most importantly provide real life experiences and social interaction. Handling money, catching the bus, using their Opal cards, buying goods at cafes are all real life experiences out in the community.

Building and fostering social connections and friendships are skills that will provide these students with positive interactions amongst staff and students. Positive memories are created and stories can be shared about the activity. All classes attend these excursions and we ask you to please pay for the reptile excursion at the front office.



Transition has begun for many of our new students going into year 7. Next year we have students coming from local schools entering many of our classes. Transition can be learning their way around the school, meeting and working with staff and making new friendships. This transition assists the students in having a smooth start to 2019.



Mrs Lisa Shaw
Head Teacher Special Education (Relieving)

TAS REPORT

Year 10 Food Technology Assessment task - Food Service and Catering

Students investigated the new trend of 'Food Vans'. They were asked to develop their own Food Van to sell food at a local music concert. Students had to consider food packaging options and cooking the food items in the small confined space of a food van. These are some of the items they produced.



Nadine Hooker
TAS

SPORT REPORT

World Aerobics

Mackenzie Glover and Ella Douglas of Year 12 headed to the Netherlands in October as part of the Australian Aerobics team.

Ella represented Australia in two teams; a fitness team which placed 2nd overall and a trio which placed 8th.

Mackenzie was also a member of the trio team with Ella, placing 8th in the world. These girls have represented Australia for a number of years which is a massive achievement that takes a lot of dedication, training and hard work.

Congratulations girls!



Youth Olympics

Jessica Pickering of Year 12 has had an extremely busy year in both Trampoline and Diving.

Jessica's latest achievement was the icing on the cake to finish up a very successful 2018 season in Tramp! Jessica competed in the Youth Olympic games, held at Buenos Aires, accompanied by the Australian coach, our very own Mr Brett Austine.

Jessica progressed through to finals winning a Silver medal, making her the first Australian to win an Individual medal at the Youth Olympic Games.

Congratulations Jessica, such a busy and successful year for you!



Hockey in India

Ky Willott of Year 12 began his November in India playing Hockey with the NSW Institute of sport. Ky has also been informed that he is to be awarded a Sporting Blue award for Hockey in December. The 'Blues' award being the highest sporting award offered in school sport in the Hunter School Sports Association. Great achievement Ky and what an amazing experience!

**Boys Cricket**

The School boy's cricket team played Wingham High School in Round 3 on Thursday November 1st at Valentine in Open Cricket. The boys successfully made it through the first two rounds, unfortunately not as successful in round 3.

All played a great game and were well coached by Mr Salaris. Special mention to the following bowlers: Leto Oxenham 4-45, Jayden Grozdanovski took 2 wickets, Jayden Plumridge took 2 wickets for 8 runs. In batting, Jayden Grozdanovski scored the highest score for Belmont with a total of 33, including 4 "6's" in a row! Brock Ayliffe scored next on 28 runs. Ben Sherring played well, however his comedy was very ordinary. Well done boys!

U15s Waterpolo

Mrs Dunford took an U15's Girls Waterpolo team to Lambton Pool on Monday November 5 to play in a 4 round Gala Day.

The girls had a fun day, learning new skills that will aid them in playing in future years.

Well done girls!

Mel Fagg
Head Teacher PDHPE (Relieving)



CAREERS REPORT

The year is powering on and so is CAREERS! There is always something happening from excursions to work experience to courses - it's BUSY!

With so many great programs and opportunities on offer, all the students need to do is get involved. **'Get organised - get qualified'** is a great little motto to start taking small steps in your future career direction.

Have you met Mrs Snowden? Mrs Snowden is our Careers Administration assistant who also works as a Library assistant. She is located in the library and helps BHS with all career related questions and work. If you are asked to see her, it will be about a careers course! We couldn't do it without her ☺

CONGRATULATIONS



Well done to our ENGAGE Hospitality students who successfully completed all components of the Career Development Program! A big thank you to Belmont 16's for their generous sponsorship of the program. Students were able to gain qualifications (RSA and Barista courses), Volunteer at Belmont Neighbourhood Centre and complete work experience at Belmont 16's. Congratulations Eliana, Cherokeea, Taniel, Nyssa, Padraig, James, Kayne, and Chloe.

Congratulations to our Term 4 Barista students. These student travelled to Hamilton TAFE to complete the Introduction to Barista Course! Well done to Sam, Sarah, Jessica, Taya, Madelaine, Mia, Layne, Jaith, Declan, and Laura. All student learned all about COFFEE and made all the different types of Espresso.

CONGRATULATIONS to our new School Based Trainees for 2019

Abbey O'Toole Year 10 - Lambton Pool, Cert II in Sport and Rec
Liam Mackenzie-Wolter Year 10 - REECE Gateshead, Cert II in Warehousing
Charlie Haigh Year 10 - REECE Gateshead, Cert II in Warehousing
Emma Young Year 10 - KFC Belmont, Cert III in Retail

If you are interested in becoming a School Based Trainee or Apprentice, contact the school or your workplace! Also check out <https://sbatinnsw.info/> for more information!

Congratulations to Laura Abell on her successful application to attend the NSW Firefighters CAMP in December! Laura will participate in a week long (fully funded) camp with 20 girls from around NSW.

The aim of the camp is to teach young women (aged 15 to 17) firefighting and emergency services skills, increase their confidence and resilience, encourage problem-solving, teamwork and leadership, and introduce them to the possibility of a career in the fire and emergency services.

CONGRATULATIONS LAURA! <https://www.girlsonfire.com.au/>



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Belmont High Careers

<https://www.belmonthighcareers.com.au/>

Use this site to locate Career information about University, TAFE, HSC and more!

Annual Careers Conference

I recently attended the 2018 Annual Careers Conference in Sydney. This yearly event is attended by all Careers Adviser's from NSW and the ACT. It is a great chance to learn from colleagues and engage in the most recent research in Career Development.

I was lucky enough to tour Google's Head Office Sydney! It was an amazing workplace, certainly one of the best I've seen! Employees can work anywhere in the building- in booths, lounge chairs or hammocks. All meals are catered and employees have games rooms, fitness rooms, lego tables, puzzle table and their own library!

Other career activities included a visit to the Australian Maritime Museum and Ultimo TAFE. Then a series of lectures on future careers and what skills our students need to be successful in the 21st century workplace!

Thanks to BHS for allowing me to attend this fabulous event!



TARONGA ZOO WORK EXPERIENCE 2019



Taronga Zoo offers ONE student per school the opportunity to complete a week's work experience in a chosen division at Sydney Taronga Zoo. If you are interested, please see Mrs Hilder.

NB: Please be prepared to explain why you would like to do work experience at Taronga, which area of the zoo you would like to work in, explain future career aspirations and discuss accommodation/transport for the placement. Only one student will be selected

TARONGA ZOO MEET a KEEPER day

Ten lucky Year 10 students went to the annual 'Meet a Keeper' Day at Taronga Zoo on November 8th. The students were up at the crack of dawn with a 5.45am start at Cardiff train station. The students engaged in a variety of activities and were able to go behind the scenes with staff. The students also heard from current zookeepers and learned about their journey of becoming a keeper at Taronga.

What a great day! A big thank you to Mrs Hooker who attended the excursion with the BHS students.



CAREER RESEARCH

What does the future look like for our young people?

Young people are better educated than in the past with almost 60% of 25 year-olds holding a post-school qualification. They are our most qualified Australians ever yet full-time work is increasingly hard to attain. The new work reality is our young people being full-time casually employed with numerous positions at numerous locations.

The New Work Reality report offers unique insights into how young people are feeling about work, putting their perspectives at the centre. While the new reality of work presents risks, there are also significant opportunities for young Australians. To take advantage of these opportunities we need to ensure every young person is equipped for a lifetime of learning, diverse ways of working, and the hearts and minds to help build the future.

https://www.fya.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/FYA_TheNewWorkReality_sml.pdf

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Career FACT

- 75% of students will use STEM skills in their careers

ATTENTION Year 9 students

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What is a USI number?

The USI is a reference number made up of **ten** numbers and letters that create a secure online record of your recognised training and qualifications gained in Australia, from all training providers you undertake recognised training with, giving you access to your training records and transcript



Natalie Hilder
Careers Adviser

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LIBRARY NEWS

RUOK Day

The Library had a display for RUOK Day and highlighted some relevant and useful resources. Thanks to Mrs Snowden for her hard work on the displays.

Alex McKinnon visited the school for the Wellbeing assembly and was asked to sign the Library copy of his book *Unbroken* for Belmont High students. The book was published in 2015.



Book Week

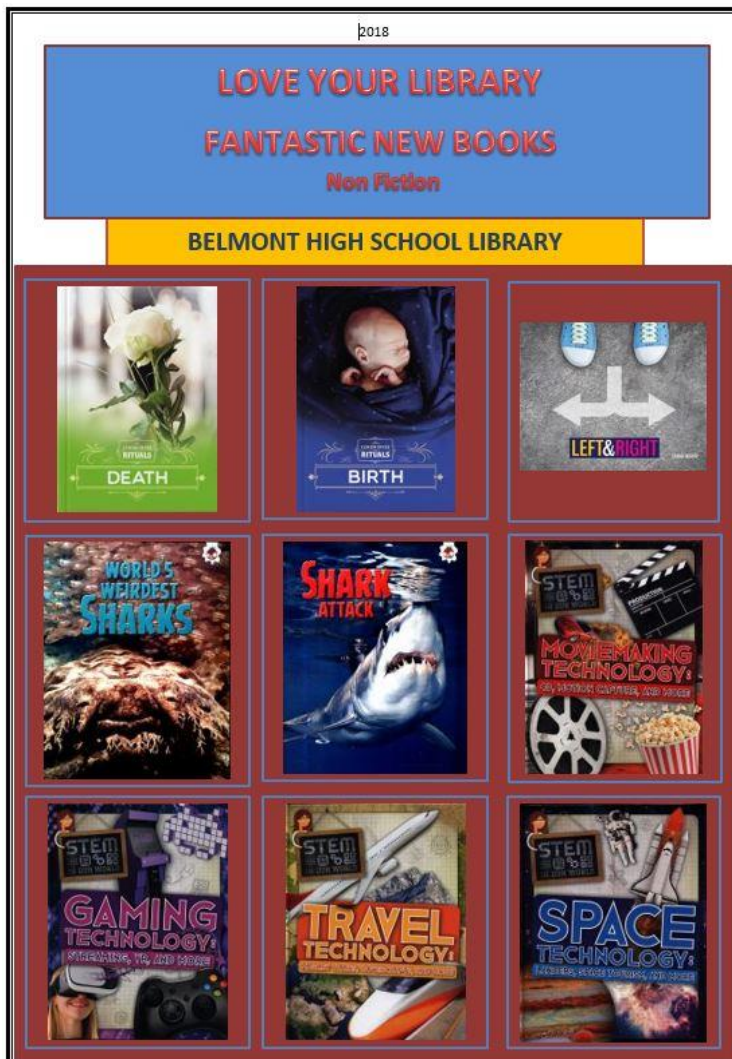
Book Week August 19-24 was celebrated in the Library with a visit by Helen Chebatte, author of the bestselling young adult novel **Bro**. Helen spoke to Year 11 and Year 10 about her writing and asked for students to volunteer in writing activities. She then gave workshops to receptive and well behaved students in 8B English and 7M English.



Book Week was also celebrated with a beautiful display of Winning and Notable Children's Book Council Award novels.

Fiction books all have a genre picture on the spine showing what the novel is about to help students searching for a favourite type of story. Featured this month was the genre Family & Relationships.

There have been some great new additions to the Library collection including Fiction and Non Fiction



The Library is open every recess and every lunch except Thursdays. Students use the Library to study, complete assignments on computer, print off assignments, quietly play card games and borrow books.

The Teacher Librarian can assist student learning in various ways. Some of the Library services and resources are shown in the following document.

Library Resources

Access to State Library of New South Wales resources

Audiovisual collection

Clickview Online

Digital Sydney Morning

Herald Newcastle Herald

The Daily Telegraph

Fiction Collection

Newspaper folders

Non-Fiction collection

Oliver Home page

Periodical collection

Teacher Librarian

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THE TEACHER LIBRARIAN

How the Teacher Librarian can help students.

The Teacher Librarian –

- Teaches research skills
- Helps students with using the Library catalogue to find resources
- Promotes the *State Library of New South Wales* resources
- Guides students with evaluating internet sites
- Provides resources on study organisation, study methods and note making
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The Learning Hub is a dynamic learning environment designed to promote communication, collaboration, and creativity. This innovative initiative offered to Belmont High School Students, aims to assist the young people that attend this school to engage with and feel supported in their education.

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Should you require further information please contact

Julianne Makin — Learning Hub Coordinator

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