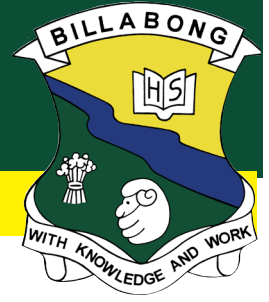


# BILLABONG HIGHLIGHTS

Monday 9 August Week 5 Term 3



Special Education Activities

## Calendar

### Week 5

**Wednesday 11 August**

School Assembly

Year 12 TVET Trial Exam

### Week 6

Trial HSC Exams - All Week

### Week 9

**Monday 6 September**

Science Fair

**Tuesday 7 September**

P & C Meeting

**Wednesday 8 September**

School Disco



### Principal's Report - Ms Julie Bowen

#### Curriculum Building for 2022

Year 10 have successfully selected their senior subjects and this afternoon the Executive will meet to look at the subject choices that have been made and begin the process of making lines. I am also looking at our staffing for 2022 and working to ensure we have the best combination of teachers to cater for our students' learning needs.

I'm very pleased to announce Mr Joshua Harrison has been appointed to our school as a permanent member of staff. Having worked as a temporary teacher throughout the year, I have observed the many positive attributes Mr Harrison brings to our school including volunteering to become Year Adviser for Year 8.

We will turn our attention to the Stage 4 electives. Students in Years 8 and 9 will receive information about the range of electives they have to choose from and will be given the opportunity in the next several weeks to make those choices.

#### School Improvement Plan Updates

##### Improving Literacy and Numeracy Results

We continue to tick the boxes on our improvement journey. The Learning Hub has extended its role and is now supporting students in Years 10, 11 and 12 to successfully achieve the HSC minimum standard. Since the beginning of the year, over 150 students have worked with the Learning Hub tutors resulting in students receiving targeted support in literacy and numeracy.

##### Improving HSC Results

Year 12 students have continued to display maturity towards their studies and have worked consistently throughout the senior course. The trial HSC exams commence next week, and we are confident this mature and consistent approach will have the Year 12 students well positioned to achieve very pleasing results.

To further support our Year 12 students in the lead up to their HSC exams, we will conduct study sessions in the two weeks after the holidays. The Year 12 students can work in the senior study each day if they would like and

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their teachers will be available to assist them.

### Special Education Report- Mr Adam Preston

We welcome Mr Smith to our classrooms as Room 16's SLSO. He has brought much stability, enthusiasm and patience to the role.

The students continue to work through key learning areas with our focus being teaching and learning with literacy a main emphasis. Mrs Planting has undertaken some Professional Learning in the area of MultiLit a literacy program aimed to improve reading skills and this expertise will be much valued for our students in the future.

Our students have enjoyed using the new wheelie boards in the hall, having a great time rolling around on them building up core strength, fitness and endurance. During these wet days they are a perfect PE option.

Congratulations to Dylan, Lee, Rohan, Rory and Jackson on their awards at Education Week last week. It shows that the boys are really working hard in our MC spaces as well as mainstream classrooms.

The future is looking bright for MC with the possibilities of an additional SLSO and teacher joining the team. Watch this space.



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### Minimum Standards Information - Ms Elizabeth Murdoch

#### Resources for parents/carers to support your child's wellbeing

The Department of Education has a terrific website with resources available to assist parents/carers with managing common health and wellbeing issues that children may face at school or home. Articles include dealing with shyness, helping your teen cope with change, what to do with problem friends, online bullying, cartoon violence and aggression, and many more. <https://education.nsw.gov.au/parents-and-carers/wellbeing?q=>

#### Minimum standards

In Week 5, students in Year 10 will have their first opportunity to sit their minimum standards tests in reading, writing and numeracy. Please read the attached flyer outlining the purpose and format of the minimum standards tests. Students who have difficulty in meeting minimum standards will be supported by our Hub tutors.

For more information, including demonstration tests and sample questions, please visit the NESA minimum standards website or contact Ms Murdoch or Ms Bowen.

<https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/hsc/hsc-minimum-standard/online-tests>



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## Reading, writing and numeracy — skills for everyday life



The HSC minimum standard has been introduced to ensure students have the reading, writing and numeracy skills needed for everyday life, work and further study.

### What this means for students

Students need to meet the HSC minimum standard to receive the HSC. To show they meet this standard, students need to achieve Level 3 in short online reading, writing and numeracy tests. Schools will help students to decide when they are ready to take each test. Students get four chances a year to sit each test, from Year 10 up to five years after starting their first HSC course.

Only students who meet the HSC minimum standard will receive an HSC testamur.

### Provisions and exemptions

Students do not need to meet the HSC minimum standard to:

- study HSC courses
- sit HSC exams
- receive HSC assessment and exam results
- receive an ATAR
- receive a Record of School Achievement.

Provisions are available for some students with disability. Some students with a disability studying Life Skills courses may also be exempt from meeting the minimum standard to receive their HSC testamur.

Find out more at  
[educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/HSCminimumstandard](https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/HSCminimumstandard)

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## Special Education Certificate Presentation



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## 2021 HSC Students REVISING FOR PAPER 1 STUDENTS PAY PER VIEW

Students are now able to view Paper 1 lectures in their own homes for personal revision.  
Each payment allows 24 hours in which to view the lecture.

When: NOW until Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Cost: \$10 per lecture. Payment via credit card only.

<https://www.etastudentdays.com.au/paper-one-revision.html>



Presentations	Presenter
<b>The Reading Task (new) FREE</b>	Mel Dixon and Jane Sherlock
Overview of the Common Module	Karen Yager
Overview of the Craft of Writing for Paper 2	Karen Yager
<b>Prose Fiction</b>	
<i>Nineteen Eighty-Four</i> George Orwell	Karen McEwen
<i>All the Light We Cannot See</i> Anthony Doerr	Kate Murphy
<i>Past the Shallows</i> Favel Parrett	Jane Sherlock
<i>Vertigo</i> Amanda Lohrey	Wafa Taoube
<b>Poetry or drama/Shakespearean drama</b>	
Kenneth Slessor	Mel Dixon
Rosemary Dobson	Mel Dixon
<i>The Crucible</i> Arthur Miller	Wafa Taoube
<i>Rainbow's End</i> Jane Harrison	Jane Sherlock
<i>The Merchant of Venice</i> William Shakespeare	Kate Murphy
<b>Nonfiction, film or media</b>	
<i>The Boy Behind the Curtain</i> Tim Winton	Cassandra Kennedy
<i>Billy Elliot</i>	Cassandra Kennedy
<i>Go Back to Where You Came From</i> (SBS series)	Kate Murphy
<b>EALD</b>	
<i>The China Coin</i> for EAL/D Allan Baillie	Janice Raynor
<i>Oodgeroo Noonuccal</i> for Module A EAL/D	Janice Raynor
EAL/D Section I Reading and Section II Focus on Writing	Mel Dixon

# BHS Merit Award Winners



Elizabeth Aygun	Jessica Galvin	Chloe Kuhne	Max Pumpa
Thomas Baldock	Rachael Galvin	Tammy Kuhne	Elina Rattray
Alannah Barnes	Hayley Gleeson	Leo Laffan	lilysh Retallick
Annelise Bedggood	Hannah Godde	Tabitha Le Busque	Ebony Russell
Chilli Bergic	Corey Groch	Billieann Leck	Brooke Schirmer
Annabelle Bickley	Madeline Hamson	Liz Leech	Ashton Scholz
Heather Binskin	Thomas Hamson	Jason Lilley	Jaxon Scott
Emily Black	Ned Harrison	Hamish Livermore	Andrea Seymour
Chase Blundell	Lauren Hawkins	Jaxon Lloyd	Kobie Skeers
Tayla Bodycott	Maddison Heanes	Cameron Lyons	Jemima Southwell
Ellen Booth	Jim Henry	Darcy Major	Cassandra Stanley
Angus Boyce	Kasey Henry	Heidi Martin	Katarina Stewart
Shontelle Braid	Abbey Hogan	Thomas McGrath	Cameron Terlich
Karsha Butler	Erin Hogan	Bill McMillan	Robbie Thomas
Misty Chambers	Chaz Holden	Lara McMillan	Alexandra
Ella Cheshire	Rachael Honeywill	Eboney McPherson	Toogood
Campbell Clancy	Wendy Howard	Callie Metcalf	Jessica Toogood
Cordelia Clarke	Jade Hunt	Chayse	Katelyn Toogood
Annie Coles	Harry Janetzki	Montgomery	Troy Twentyman
Chloe Creek	Aylee Jenkyn	Amber Moritz	Jye Van Deventer
Lakyah Curtis-Dremel	Tara Jepson	Joseph Muller	Talicia Verrall
Jed Davis	Annie Kennedy	Connor Murphy	Domynic
Tyson De Costa	Grace Kennedy	Matilda Nevinson	Wayenberg
Lily Delahunty	Rose Kennedy	Nicholas Newton	Ellie Webster
Thomas Delahunty	Lucy Kilo	Jorja Pardey	Jaspa Wegener
Madison Disley	Ryan Klemke	Dominic Parker	Genevieve White
Shayla Disley	Logan Knobel	Katie Parsons	Oliver Wood
Harry Doig	Chloe Koch	Blair Percy	Brendan Worth
Madison Doughty	Fletcher Kohlhausen	Alex Power	Michaela Wotten
Safi Farrell O'Reilly	Halle Kohlhausen	Matilda Preston	Fletcher Wright
Carmen Fiala	Edward Kreutzberger	Oscar Preston	
Brock Finemore	Harry Kreutzberger		



# Student Assessment Calendar

## **TERM 3**

### **Week 5: 9-13 August**

Year 12 TVET Trial Exam  
Year 11 Marine Studies

### **Week 6: 16-20 August**

Year 12 Trial HSC  
Examination Week  
Whole School Science Fair

### **Week 7: 23-27 August**

Year 12 Marine Studies  
Year 12 English Studies  
Year 11 Examination Week  
Year 10 Science - VALID

### **Week 8: 30-31 August**

Year 10 Science - VALID

### **Week 8: 1-3 September**

Year 10 Science - VALID

### **Week 9: 6-10 September**

Year 11 VET Work Placement  
Science Fair

### **Week 10: 13-17 September**

No assessments



## BEATING STRESS AND WORRIES

COVID-19 | A GUIDE FOR PARENTS & YOUNG PEOPLE

### TIPS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE



Spend less than  
**10 MINUTES A DAY**  
watching or listening to  
news about the virus.

1



Ask a parent, teacher or trusted person if you have  
**QUESTIONS ABOUT THE VIRUS**  
and tell them if you are feeling scared or worried.

2



**STAY CONNECTED**  
to your friends but try to  
talk about things other  
than the virus.

3

### MAKE A LIST OF ACTIVITIES

that you can do with your family and  
friends – start a journal or blog, do a  
puzzle, e-visit the Louvre, train the dog.



4



**WRITE A LIST  
AND DRAW**  
10 good things in your  
life and the world.

5

### FIND A WAY TO RELAX

Spend 10 minutes breathing  
slowly and calmly.

Imagine that you are in your  
favourite place for 5 minutes.



6



**LISTEN TO MUSIC**  
Choose something that  
makes you feel good.

7

### TELL YOURSELF POSITIVE THINGS

“ IF I GET SICK, IT WILL MOST  
LIKELY BE LIKE HAVING A  
COLD. I CAN COPE WITH THAT ”  
THERE ARE GOOD  
THINGS IN THE WORLD

8

### TIPS FOR PARENTS



Avoid listening to  
the news more than  
**1-2 TIMES A DAY**  
and reading out bad news  
from the internet/social media.

Answer your child's questions about the virus  
**BUT STICK TO THE FACTS**  
and use trusted sources like the WHO.



Reassure your child and give  
**OPTIMISTIC AND  
CALM RESPONSES**  
Focus on what they can do right now.



**MOVIES**  
**BUSHWALKS**  
**LEGO**  
**LETTER WRITING**

### GET CREATIVE

Set-up some simple and  
fun activities for at home  
or in non-crowded places.

Help your child make a list of  
**10 GOOD THINGS**  
in their life and the world.



Try to stick to your regular  
**FAMILY ROUTINES**  
and avoid places that  
are high risk, or you  
are directed to.



### CHECK IN WITH FAMILY MEMBERS

but try to talk about other  
issues and not just bad news  
and worries about the virus.



### LEAD BY EXAMPLE

Stay calm yourself. Help your child by  
sharing your own coping skills. Give  
praise when they are coping and tell  
them what a great job they are doing.



For more information, visit [brave-online.com](https://brave-online.com)

# upcoming sessions



Parents, Carers, and Community Members in the Riverina region are invited to attend a free mental health education session in Term 3.



## The sessions aim to:

- \* Strengthen your understanding of mental health and the warning signs for suicide and self-harm.
  - \* Strengthen your understanding and skills in how to cope and where to find help.
  - \* Build awareness of local services and the various support services available.
  - \* Strengthen relationships between local area mental health services, local schools, headspace centres and other community organisations.
- Need more information? [headspaceSchools@headspace.org.au](mailto:headspaceSchools@headspace.org.au)



## Griffith

Date: 5 August 2021  
Time: 12 - 1pm  
Location: Online webinar  
Registration: <https://bit.ly/2Nm5cRh>



## Albury

Date: 23 August 2021  
Time: 7 - 8.15pm  
Location: Venue TBC  
Registration: <https://bit.ly/2Nm5cRh>



## Griffith

Date: 24 August 2021  
Time: 7 - 8.15pm  
Location: Venue TBC  
Registration: <https://bit.ly/2Nm5cRh>



## Wagga Wagga

Date: 7 September 2021  
Time: 7 - 8.15pm  
Location: Online webinar  
Registration: <https://bit.ly/2Nm5cRh>

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HOLBROOK SUBMARINE MUSEUM

# 2021 SUBMARINERS CHALLENGE

AN EDUCATIONAL COMPETITION OPEN TO ALL  
SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL AGE STUDENTS IN THE GREATER HUME REGION

## FANTASTIC CASH PRIZES TO BE WON

for winners of each category and their school

### 3 CATEGORIES TO CHOOSE FROM:

1. Australia's Submarine History
2. Submarine Technology and Science
3. Submariners and submarine art

**SUBMISSIONS CLOSE 4pm Monday 27th September**  
**WINNERS ANNOUNCED ON Friday October 1st 2021**

for more information please  
email [jepmurph@bigpond.com](mailto:jepmurph@bigpond.com)  
or visit the Holbrook Submarine Museum  
15 Wallace St. Holbrook NSW 2644, 02 6036 2422

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