

# BILLABONG HIGHLIGHTS

Wednesday 23 February Week 5B Term 1 2022



## Year Advisors 2022



**Year 7**  
**Miss Kennedy**



**Year 8**  
**Mrs Parker**



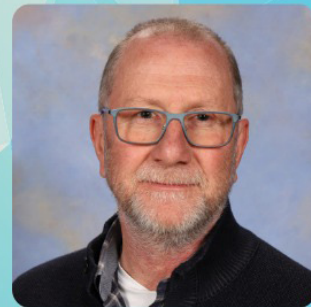
**Year 9**  
**Mr Harrison**



**Year 10**  
**Mr McDonald**



**Year 11**  
**Mrs Preston**



**Year 12**  
**Mr Campbell**

### Calendar Term 1

#### Week 5

**Friday 25 February**

- Zone Swimming Carnival

#### Week 6

**Tuesday 1 March**

- Bangarra Dance

**Thursday 3 March**

- Open Boys Cricket Gala Day

#### Week 7

**Tuesday 8 March**

- Riverina Swimming Carnival
- Bangarra Dance

**Friday 11 March**

- Tennis Knockout
- ADF Careers
- Year 7 & 10 Vaccination

#### Week 8

**Wednesday 16 March**

- Year 11 & 12 Parent-Teacher Interviews

**Friday 18 March**

- U15 Boys AFL Riverina Trials

### Principal's Report - Ms Julie Bowen

Today the Premier and Education Minister have announced changes to Covid-19 safe school practice, I have attached a letter outlining the changes.

#### Unwell Students

A huge thank you to the parents and carers who have supported our school throughout the term by keeping sick children at home. Unfortunately, we still have students presenting at school when they are unwell. We ask that if you're called to pick-up a sick child you do so in a timely manner to reduce the risk of infection to others. I know this can be challenging with the vast distances people need to travel but I ask for your support with this situation.

#### Year Advisors

In this edition of Highlights, we're featuring our Year Advisors. They're usually the first people new students meet prior to starting at Billabong High School. They visit Year 6 students in primary schools and help with the transition to high school. They're usually the most emotional people at the final graduation ceremony in Year 12 having spent six years advocating for and supporting their year group. The Year Advisor is the person to call when bullying occurs or when there is a family situation that may impact on the student whilst at school. We encourage our Year Advisors to build strong connections with both the students in their Year and their families. Please call the school and ask to speak with the Year Advisor as required.



### Sentral for Parents App

To download the app you need to go to the App store or Google Play Store and search 'Sentral for Parents'.

Features of the Sentral for Parents App

- Send absence notifications in advance to the school if your child is going to be absent.
- Receive absent notifications if your child is marked absent from roll call.
- View Newsletters
- Receive and reply to permission notes (this feature will be available in the coming weeks)
- Monitor your child's attendance.

Parents and carers that already have a Sentral Parent Portal login can start using the Sentral App straight away with the same login details.

#### NEW USER SETUP

If you have not yet used the Parent Portal, you will need to:

- Register for access to our Parent Portal using the 'Register Here' button in the app
- Wait for the verification email (check junk/spam folders) and click the link
- Add an 'Access Key' to link your account to your child

You must use a valid email address to create your username and password which will be your username and the password to access the parent portal once finalised.

Access keys were emailed out this week. If you have not received this email, please contact the school by phone 02 60298377 or email [billabong-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:billabong-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au) to confirm your email address and generate a new key.

# BILLABONG HIGH SCHOOL



Principal: Julie Bowen

Deputy Principal: Nim Weerakoon

**23 February 2022**

Dear Parents and Carers,

A big thank you for your continuing efforts in supporting our school and students during the pandemic – especially prioritising safety and learning.

The Premier and Minister for Education have announced changes to school settings for the remainder of Term 1. These updated settings were developed in close consultation with NSW Health and key stakeholders to ensure we continue to keep our schools open for learning, while keeping up with changing community settings.

The updated settings include:

- We will continue the use of rapid antigen tests (RATs) for twice-weekly testing of students and staff until Friday 25 February.
- From Monday 28 February, we will move to symptomatic testing. Tests are to be used at your discretion such as if your child is symptomatic or there are cases in their class. Our school will provide each student and staff member with 8 tests per student and staff in schools or 20 tests per student and staff in support classes.
- Beyond that, students and staff can access PCR tests or buy their own rapid antigen tests as these are now freely available and accessible in the community.
- Masks will continue to be required indoors for all school staff, volunteers and visitors including parents and carers, and students in secondary schools until Friday 25 February. From Monday 28 February, masks will no longer be mandatory for students in Year 7 and above or staff. However, those who wish to continue to use them will be supported to do so.
- In line with community settings, workers who support our students with disability in SSPs, support units and some mainstream classrooms will be required to wear masks while working with students.
- From Monday 28 February, visitors can be allowed back on school sites regardless of their vaccination status. Our school will consider activities such as assemblies, parent-teacher meetings and other gatherings in the coming days. We will let you know if these can proceed with our school in a COVID-smart way. All visitors are asked to follow our usual sign-in and sign-out process.

Our school will continue to ensure our layered COVID-smart measures are in place, including vaccinations, maximising natural ventilation in learning spaces, continued good hand hygiene practices and enhanced cleaning.

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A reminder that your child may receive a nasal swab or saliva rapid antigen testing kits in the coming weeks. Instructions are included in the kits detailing how to use the tests, check the results and dispose of the tests safely. The user guides will also contain a contact number for the suppliers if you need additional support.

Students using saliva testing kits must not eat or drink for 30 minutes before taking the saliva RAT, to give more accurate results.

As of Monday 28 February, students will no longer be required to be kept in year groups or other cohorts and we will no longer be required to use staggered start or finish times. We will continue to use the core layered COVID-smart measures for minimising risk when planning activities and events.

We strongly encourage our students and their families to consider vaccination including boosters when required.

Thank you again for your continued support during this school term.

Ms Julie Bowen  
Principal

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Year 12 Food Technology



**Year 12 -Options after School Seminar - Mrs Naomi Toogood**

On Tuesday, representatives from Albury Tafe NSW, Wodonga Tafe, LaTrobe University and Charles Sturt University visited Billabong HS to speak to Year 12 about all options available to them for when they leave school.

## School Information



Year 12 Options after School Seminar

## Investigating the Ancient Past - Miss Jenna Loveday

Year 7 History students with their completed 'ancient clay evidence'. The class activity required students to make an artifact out of clay for the current topic of 'Investigating the Ancient Past'.



Year 7 Investigating the Ancient Past

## Billabong Highlights

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### 2022 Swimming Carnival Results - Mrs Rachael Terlich

**CHAMPION HOUSE:** Fraser.

**2nd:** Rosewall.

**3rd:** Bradman

**4th:** McKay.

#### Age Champions:

**12 Years:** Maddison Wood and Haedes Genter

**13 Years:** Priya Kohlhagen and Zadkiel

**14 Years:** Neve Scholz and Lincoln Wright, Ryan Klemke and Ace Kohlhagen

**15 Years:** Maddison Heanes, Halle Kohlhagen and Oscar Preston

**16 Years:** Rori Kohlhagen and Tadhg Scholz

**17 Years:** Tahlie Weston and Mitchell Way.



## Billabong Highlights



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BILLABONG  
HIGH SCHOOL  
LIBRARY

Hello from the Library.

We have had a great start to the term with many classes utilising our resources, and we look forward to seeing that continue throughout the year.

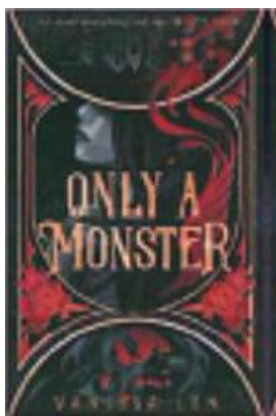
Just a reminder that if you have any overdue books to please return them as soon as possible or have a chat with Mrs Campbell or Mrs Clarke about extending your due date.

We have many new novels joining our shelves, including the book featured in the book review below by author Vanessa Len. Come in and check out our new additions.

We look forward to seeing you in the library soon- the coolest place on earth!

Mrs Sophie Clarke and Mrs Leah Campbell- The Mrs C's

### Weekly Book Review: **Only a Monster** by Vanessa Len



Joan is a monster, who has special powers and can steal time. She is from a very long line of monsters, from her mother's side of the family. Joan had no idea about any of this - until now!

What starts as an ordinary day - Joan is going to meet Nick, a boy she likes from work - suddenly everything comes crashing down around her when she steals time from a stranger. The realisation that she is monster is terrifying to Joan. This is not how her life is supposed to be.

But Joan has no choice. Her family is one of the twelve powerful monster families that rule London, and Joan finds herself thrust into the middle of this dangerous world whether she likes it or not. Forced to go on the run with Aaron Oliver, a member of another monster family who are their arch enemies, Joan is going to have learn to control her powers fast if she has any chance of saving herself and her family ...

This is a gripping, fast-paced time travelling story that will have you hooked! It blurs the lines of who is really a hero, and who isn't, and will keep readers enthralled.

# BHS Merit Award Winners



Allira Adams  
Logan Alderton  
Leila Anschaw  
Seveti Bai  
Thomas Baldock  
Jackson Barba  
Alannah Barnes  
Zoe Barnes  
Lemand Bath  
Oli Bergic  
Damian Betts  
Konnar Betts  
Olivia Binskin  
Emily Black  
Cody Bodycott  
Callie Boyce  
Patrick Breed  
Ruby Brown  
Connor Byatt  
Harlan Candy  
Samantha Castle  
Luke Chandler  
Peter Cheney  
Alyssa Cockerell  
Mitchell Cocking  
Nick Coghlan  
Rita-Lee Colliss  
Humphries  
Katherine Conway  
Phoebe Cowley  
Lachlan D'Amelio  
Olly Davis  
Tyson De Costa  
Boaz Delphin  
Lachlan Disley  
Shanae Doolan  
Jai Emmerton  
Saul Farrell O'Reilly  
Brock Finemore

Sienna Finemore  
Tayleah Flewin  
Peter Fox  
Jordan Fraser  
Chloe Fuller  
Jessica Galvin  
Bella Gill  
Darcy Gill  
Hannah Godde  
Tie Hall  
Jake Hamson  
Ned Harrison  
Charlotte Harvey  
Natalie Hasler  
Serenity Hayman  
Maddison Heanes  
James Heir  
Nayte Hill  
Scarlett Hocking  
Rachael Honeywill  
Zara Honeywill  
Wendy Howard  
Harry Janetzki  
Mahleigha Jolly  
Lincoln Jongeneel  
Annie Kennedy  
Thomas Kennedy  
Taylan King  
Lachlan Kingston  
Logan Knobel  
Ace Kohlhagen  
Fletcher Kohlhagen  
Priya Kohlhagen  
Isabelle Kreutzberger  
Trae Kuhne  
Leo Laffan  
Hunter Lake  
Ashton Lee-McKie  
Matilda Leitch

Blair Lever  
Trent Lewis  
Jai Lieschke  
Taj Lieschke  
Tyler Lieschke  
Jason Lilley  
Rohan Lilley  
Colbie Lloyd-Wilson  
Alex Lowen  
Emily Lukins  
Mackellar Lyons  
Charlie Mackinlay  
Noah Mair  
Kolton Manning  
Heidi Martin  
Ryder McKillop  
Bonnie McMillan  
Lara McMillan  
Matilda McPhail  
Jayden McPherson  
Chayse Montgomery  
Ryder Montgomery  
Riley Murphy  
Justine Naughton  
Joel Naughton-  
Finlayson  
Nakoda Navybox  
Akira Noonan  
Isaac Oehm  
Jorja Pardey  
Lachlan Parker  
Raphael Parker  
Jeannie Paton  
Cody Patrick-Beale  
Ella Pollard  
Alex Power  
Matilda Preston  
Felicity Quinn  
Dylan Rainbow-Horton

Cruz Schirmer  
Ashton Scholz  
Neve Scholz  
Claire Scott  
Emma Seidel  
Carly Seymour  
Theo Stanley  
Hughie Stevenson  
Katarina Stewart  
Alex Syme  
Cameron Terlich  
Zachery Thomas  
Elijah Toll  
Cohen Tunks  
Riley Turner  
Ryan Twyford  
Jye Van Deventer  
Abby Vroomen  
Julia Wake  
Peter Wake  
Kendra Walker  
Regan Walkerden  
Aiden Walmsley  
Tyler Watson  
Mitchell Way  
Brody Wayenberg  
Domynic Wayenberg  
Ellie Webster  
Jett Weston  
Tahlie Weston  
Madelyn-Lee Wheeler  
Genevieve White  
Olivia Wiffen  
Ava Wolter  
Maddison Wood  
Charlotte Wright  
Meadow Wright  
Rory Wyer  
Isabel Yensch

# Student Assessment Calendar

## TERM 1

### Week 6

**Friday 4 March**

- Year 11 Modern History

### Week 7

**Thursday 10 March**

- Year 12 Marine Studies

**Friday 11 March**

- Year 11 Final Date- All My Own Work
- Year 11 Business Studies

### Week 8

**Tuesday 15 March**

- Year 8 English in class task

**Wednesday 16 March**

- Year 10 Geography
- Year 9 History

**Thursday 17 March**

- Year 9 History

**Friday 18 March**

- Year 8 English Essay

### Week 9

**Monday 21 March**

- Year 12 Modern History
- Year 9 English Essay

**Tuesday 22 March**

Year 8 Georgraphy

**Wednesday 23 March**

- Year 12 English Standard
- Years 9 & 10 Commerce
- Year 8 Geography

**Friday 25 March**

- Year 11 English Standard 1
- Year 11 English Advanced
- Year 11 Legal Studies

### Week 10

**Wednesday 30 March**

- Advanced Mathematics Assignment

**Friday 1 April**

- Year 12 English Advanced & Standard

## TERM 2

### Week 1

**Friday 29 April**

- Legal Studies

### Week 3

**Monday 9 May - Friday 13 May**

- NAPLAN

### Week 4

**Monday 16 May - Friday 20 May**

- NAPLAN

# Bringing services to your community

Culcairn  
10<sup>th</sup> March 2022  
9:00am – 2:00pm



We're bringing NSW Government services to communities with our Mobile Service Centres

Access frequently used services including:

- Driver Knowledge Tests (**& Driving Tests by appointment, contact 13 77 88**)
- Cost of Living service
- Birth, death and marriage certificates
- Driver licence and Photo Card applications and renewals
- Working with Children Checks.

Visit [service.nsw.gov.au/msc](https://service.nsw.gov.au/msc) to find out when we're next near you.

Where we'll be:

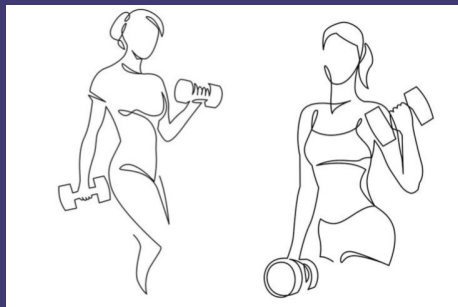


**The Coach Station – Railway Parade, Culcairn**



# Women's

WEEK 2022



To celebrate Women's Week Henty Library is running a presentation on fitness at the library followed by a free 1 hour information session at the gym.

8 March

6pm – 7.30pm

Lucky door prize—free 1 hour PT session

Bookings essential 02 6036 0100

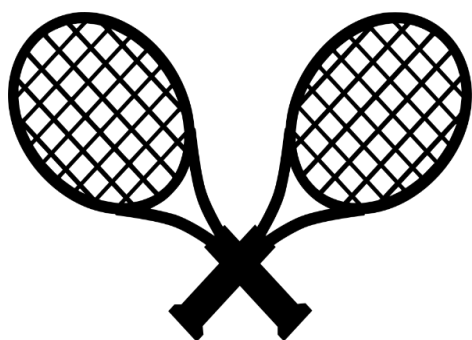


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# Henty Park Tennis Club

## JUNIOR TENNIS

## TOURNAMENT



*When:* Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2022

*Where:* Henty Park Tennis Courts

*Time:* 1:30 pm

*Cost:* \$20 per player

- BBQ tea included
- Drinks and Ice blocks available for purchase

Boys & Girls Doubles

18 & under 15 & under

12 & under 10 & under

Age taken as of 31/12/2022

*Text entries to John Janetzki by*

*Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2022*

*Mobile: 0427 786 173*



Scouts are returning to Holbrook/Culcairn, but it's going to take some work! We have kids on a waiting list, we have somewhere to meet and we have sponsors. Now we just need YOU to make it all happen.

Public Information Meeting: 7pm, Wednesday 23 March 2022 @ Holbrook Anglican Church Hall, Young St., Holbrook.

Contact: Ian Hall, Group Leader, [gl.1stholbrook@gmail.com](mailto:gl.1stholbrook@gmail.com)

## Teen fitness Class

**HEALTHFOCUS**  
PHYSIOTHERAPY

At Healthfocus, our classes are aimed at all fitness levels, from gamers to runners and everyone in between.  
No matter what your age or goals are, we want you to feel healthier and stronger.

**Who:** Anyone in year 6 to 12 wanting to improve or maintain their health and fitness is welcome to attend, however bookings are essential.

**What:** A mixture of cardio, agility training, core stability and body weight resisted exercises aimed at improving your strength, posture, endurance, flexibility, and maintaining cardiovascular fitness.

Classes are fully supervised by a qualified physiotherapist and exercises will be modified and progressed according to your fitness goals.

**When:** Classes will run during the school terms, each Wednesday afternoon at 4:30pm- 5:30pm  
An assessment is essential prior to attending classes.

**Where:** Healthfocus Physiotherapy Wodonga, level 1 suite 2 107-119 Wodonga Place High Street

**Cost:** Initial Assessment at \$104  
\$30 per class, or 8 classes for \$216. All fees may be claimable on some private health funds.

If you would like more information about our classes, or to book an assessment please contact us on 02 6041 5744.