



The Balgowlah Boys Campus Newsletter

Week 4 Term 3 2015

Principal's Report

The beginning of term has certainly been eventful. We celebrated our achievers in the first weeks By Effort We achieve Assembly and then introduced the new prefects, 2015 -16 to the school in an Induction Ceremony week 2.



Prefects 2015 / 16; Samuel Allen, Lachlan Armstrong, Shaun Falzarano, Sean Harlen, Mael Jones, Nathan Lilley, Jake Moore, Lewis Robinson, Owen Sheather, Dylan Stoker, Monty Taylor, and Riki Walmsley.

Year 7 By Effort We Achieve Recipients





Year 12 By Effort We Achieve Recipients

The Science faculty have been busy enabling students to participate in the Australian Young Scientist, Paper Plane Challenge. The finalists had a “glide-off” at our assembly on Wednesday, to the delight of students and staff. There was a brass band (literally), finalists appeared on stage amongst a burst of smoke and lights. They then proceeded to fly their planes the length of the gymnasium. The results were; Harry McIntyre 1st place, Callum McKay 2nd and Loius Valente 3rd. These boys will compete at the state finals at Sydney University in late August as part of the University Open Day.

This week a group of Year 9 leaders are peer teaching some Year 7 boys in a literacy program. The student tutors have helped design a unit of work to support the year 7 boys writing skills. The end product will be a piece of narrative writing that will involve a “quest”. The outcome was not only the skills development of the year 7's but importantly reinforces a whole range of literacy strategies that the Year 9 boys can employ themselves in their future writing tasks.

The P&C have been very active this term organising a number of events, this Saturday 8 August is a working bee. The day bee will commence at 12.00 noon and the team will be landscaping around the quad in preparation for the resurfacing later this term. The school's improvement budget can only stretch so far and this work will mean that the boys will have safer, more aesthetic plat area.

Also on Friday 21 August we have our annual Trivia Night, which is always a fun night and there are already a number of great prizes. The funds raised from these evening go straight into the purchase and upgrade of facilities for our boys.

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Music

MAD2015

Preparation for MAD is in full swing!

All students from Year 7 and Year 8 are busy learning repertoire in Latin, Dragon Language, Indigenous Australian and English. As in previous years the MAD Concert Series will showcase the diverse

artistic talents of Balgowlah Boys

formed in BBC's Auditorium with

the art lighting + sound equipment, MAD is a truly professional presentation of the amazing Music, Art, Drama and Dance work achieved at Balgowlah Boys Campus.



and amazing achievement:

MAD2015 is being held on Tuesday 25 and Wednesday 26 August.

Katherine Wiktorowicz
Music

Year 7 and 8 Music

In Music this term, all Year 7 and 8 classes are focussed on learning the skills required to ensure an outstanding performance in Week 7. Consequently, students are set a short research-based/score reading homework assignment every week to ensure the musicology component of the course is addressed.

These homework assignments are distributed to students online via the **MAD2015** group on Edmodo. **Each assignment is posted online on Tuesday with the submission date set for the following Monday.** The homework includes several short-answer questions, the answers for which can be found in the **MAD2015** Repertoire Booklet, or in some instances through internet research.

Students are assessed on the outcomes achieved through their completion of online homework submissions and their performance on the night.

We ask that you help us by ensuring that your child is a member of the **MAD2015** group on Edmodo (see instructions over) and complete each assignment on time. Your son should speak with his music teachers if he is having trouble with any of the requirements for this task.

Thank you in advance for your support of the **MAD2015** evenings by ensuring the completion of the Edmodo work. **We look forward to you coming and seeing their amazing achievement on the nights!**



Students need to ensure that they return their permission note as soon as possible so they are able to receive their repertoire booklet and complete their Edmodo homework.

their hard work



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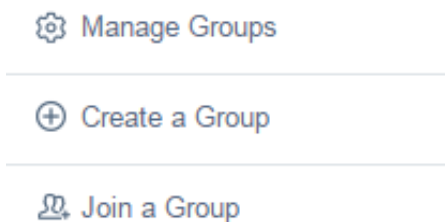
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Tickets for **MAD2015** can be purchased through the Front Office or <http://www.trybooking.com/IKSR>

MAD2015 Year 7 and 8 Music Edmodo Joining Instructions

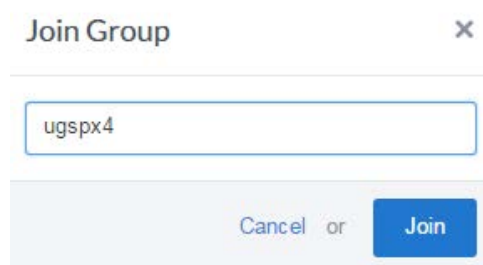
Go to www.edmodo.com (all students do have an Edmodo account!)

Step 1: On signing in to Edmodo, students will be on the home page. On the left is a box titled "Groups". Click the tab "Join a Group".



Step 2: A dialog box shall appear "Join Group". Enter the code below, and click "Join".

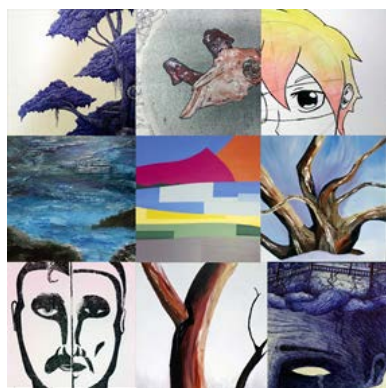
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Hasan Shanal
Head Teacher The Faculty of Arts and PDHPE

Visual Arts

Visual Arts at MAD2015



The annual MAD events are a very important time in Visual Arts, and MAD2015 is no exception. We take great pride in showcasing the exceptional work our students do, and we look forward to seeing students, family and friends in the School Library from 5pm – 7pm, Tuesday 25th and 26th August. This year's exhibition looks to be very special indeed with an exhibition of the bodies of work of our largest ever HSC Visual Arts cohort, a class of 15 students who have worked very hard to produce an outstanding range of paintings, etchings, drawings and installation pieces.

Other highlights of MAD 2015 will be a light show of 'fireflies' by Year 7 students which will lead visitors from the library to the main quadrangle, linking the art exhibition with the music performances in the school auditorium, as well as a night time projection of Instagram photographs of student artworks.

Canapés will be served by Year 11 and 12 Hospitality students who have always wowed us with their exceptional service, presentation and professionalism.

Visual Arts at Balgowlah Boys Campus visit from Illinois State University

Visual Arts welcomed back Dr Judith Briggs and 11 pre-service



teachers from Illinois State University for a one-day visit on Friday 30th July. It has been two years since we hosted a visit from the group and it was a pleasure to have Dr Briggs and her students visit the school again to observe how the New South Wales Visual Arts Syllabus is implemented in teaching and learning in rich and complex ways. Illinois State University are seeing to implement the same frameworks in Illinois State Visual Arts education. The Illinois group spent time observing a Year 7 and 8 Visual Arts class, and were also able to spend time with a small group of Year 7-10 students who volunteered to share their experiences in Visual Arts at Balgowlah Boys Campus. Our Illinois visitors thoroughly enjoyed spending time with our students and they were very impressed with the work our students have produced.

Visual Arts 7-12

Year 7

Year 7s have been investigating the conventions of portraiture. They have produced realistic self-portraits demonstrating an understanding of proportions of the face, as well as shading and tone, and they have produced highly accomplished acrylic on canvas self-portrait paintings. This term, students have started a unit on entomology (the study of insects). Students have produced a series of drawings of insects and will be producing watercolour paintings of imaginative hybrid insect forms. Students will also be working as an entire year group to produce a site-specific installation of 'fireflies' at MAD2015. Students will make small insect fireflies using LED lights, wire and pager motors which will create a sense of movement, as well as wonder and intrigue.



Year 8

Term 3 has seen Year 8 students use a range of art making processes to create artworks about the Australian landscape and botanical forms. Students have undertaken an exploration of drawing, printmaking and collage techniques based on the study of botanical objects and resulting in the creation of a mixed media artwork.



Year 9



Year 9s have produced an outstanding series of still life works. The works are evidence of an excellent understanding of how to draw three-dimensional objects using bold shapes and vivid colour.

The very successful works on the Quarantine Station produced by Year 9s

during Term 1 of this year are to be exhibited at the site of the Quarantine Station on Thursday 17th September. This will be a wonderful opportunity for our Elective Year 9 students to showcase their works to local community. The exhibition space of the Quarantine Station is quite a remarkable place to have an exhibition, and Year 9s should be very proud of their achievement. Details of the exhibition will be released soon.



Year 10

Year 10 has been working hard on their soapstone sculptures to create abstracted representations of the human form.



Inspired by English sculptor Henry Moore, students have explored how the body has been depicted in modern sculpture and have taken into consideration mass, shape, distribution of weight and balance in their art making practice to communicate aspects of the human body in a simplified manner.

Year 11



Term 2 saw Year 11 students investigate the role of the artist as social and political commentators. Students underwent an analysis of how artists over time have communicated the nature and characteristics of politics and adversity in society, exploring themes of war and power in their own art making using dry point etching techniques. Students benefited from the expertise of



visiting printmaker Melinda Hodges, who conducted a three hour workshop with the students developing their skills and techniques. Their final pieces look fantastic and they should all be very proud of their efforts!

Year 12

Year 12s are working very hard to complete their bodies of work, and there are some very accomplished works being produced. The works will be exhibited at MAD2015 and we look forward to seeing the final works being shown to the school community. Year 12 students are reminded to practice past HSC examinations on the BOSTES website, using their study pack as a resource to guide them -

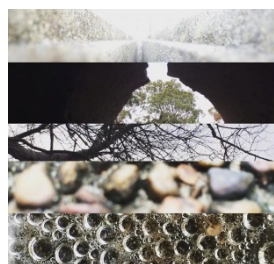
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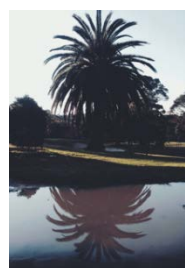
Visual Arts on Instagram

It is always a pleasure to report on the @artatbally Instagram account as it continues to be a very effective way of showcasing works to students, parents and the wider school community. At the time of this report being written we have 182 followers, and have posted 296 photographs. The photographs help to capture the fine work our students do and we welcome anyone to follow the feed to gain an insight into what our students produce in the subject.

Photography Club



Photography Club has started and the boys are currently combining their photographic knowledge, skills and artistic creativity to establish an exciting exhibition for our MAD 2015 program! Each member of the Photography Club has made a positive contribution to the group, and has worked hard with their fellow enthusiasts to share ideas and showcase their creative flair. Well done boys!



Photography Club is held every Thursday afternoon from 3.30 until 5pm, and it is a great opportunity for students to form friendships and develop their photographic techniques in a fun and supportive environment. **New members are always welcome; please see Miss Hogarth for more information or email sophie.hogarth@det.nsw.edu.au**

Ms Sally Leaney and Ms Sophie Hogarth
Visual Arts Teachers



BALGOWLAH BOYS CAMPUS
PRESENTS

MAD 2015

Music, Art, Drama & Dance
25th and 26th August, 2015

Art Exhibition by Years 7-11
Year 12 HSC Body of Works
Canapés by Year 11 and 12 Hospitality
School Library, 5pm-7pm

Music and Drama Performances
Maretimo Street Hall 7pm start
Performances by Year 7 -12 music students

Massed choral and orchestral performances by *all* students
Drama performances by Year 9 Elective students and Drama Club
Short Films by Year 9 and 10 Elective Language students

Tickets \$10
Bookings through
front office
or
[http://www.
trybooking.com/
IKSR](http://www.trybooking.com/IKSR)



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Gifted and Talented



During Week 10 of Term 2, Year 7 Gifted and Talented students participated in their week-long project-based learning task and the results were outstanding. The students worked in the open learning space of the school's library in small groups to apply critical and creative thinking skills to solve the problem of how they may design more effective learning spaces for boys, and to present their findings at the end of the project to school

community members using a range of 21st Century skills and technologies. During this learning opportunity, students investigated the role of the expert in a range of fields including design, architecture, and education. Students were required to complete a series of tasks on Edmodo, and to create a Weebly website showcasing their findings. Presenting their findings to school community members provided our students with safe, challenging and competitive opportunities for active participation and success in their own learning. Year 7 Gifted and Talented students are to be congratulated on their efforts during the project.



Ms Sally Leaney
Gifted and Talented Coordinator

Sports Report

Wednesday sport continues to enjoy a great run of good weather and most games in Grade sport have been played this sports cycle. next week is our last round of Grade sport and from these results we find out what teams make it through to the finals sand super zone grand finals.

Sport selection for summer sport is on Wednesday 9th September. Notes will be emailed home in Week 5 and hard copies made available to all boys. A reminder to all parents that boys select their sports and pay on the day. Payments made beforehand to the school cannot be accepted and have to be returned to parents.

Congratulations to Mr Roberts and the junior basketball team in their victory over Cameraygal High CHS 15yrs

Basketball competition. They progress to the second round to be played in week 4. Mr O'Briens 13 yrs Rugby League team performed extremely well in the NSW All schools competition last week at Penrith, coming away with a win, a draw and a narrow loss. Finally well done to the 14yrs 4 x 100m relay team for winning the Sydney North championships and along with Sean Harlen (400m and high jump) and Jonathon Taufa (Shot Put) they will compete at the NSW CHS Championships in September.

Dave Morris
Sports Organiser



**Bally P&C invite all
parents & boys to attend our**

Working Bees!



Please join us for a fun afternoon tidying up our school grounds in preparation of our new quadrangle upgrade. There are two dates – choose one or both:

- **SUNDAY 19TH JULY**
- **SATURDAY 8TH AUGUST**

Starts 12pm – please bring gardening tools and old clothes - it could get dirty!

We will reward your hard work with a BBQ so can you please email your RSVP to ballyboyspandc@gmail.com

Please find Term 3 Calendar over;

Mth	Wk	Date	MONDAY	Date	TUESDAY	Date	WEDNESDAY	Date	THURSDAY	Date	FRIDAY
JULY	1B	13 Jul	Start Term 3 Staff Development Day 3	14 Jul	Students Return	15 Jul	Faculty Meeting LONG TAN AWARDS DUE 24th!!	16 Jul	Learning Support Meeting Standard Eng Assessment	17 Jul	NSW CHS Cross Country BEWA assembly
JULY	2A	20 Jul	PBEL Meeting 3:30-4:30pm Sydney Nth Athletics	21 Jul	Welfare Conference Sydney Nth Athletics Yr9 D&T Incursion Concert School Band Day	22 Jul	Staff Meeting	23 Jul	ICT Committee Meeting Project Penguin Zoo and Habitat Day	24 Jul	Prefect Induction Assembly 10am
JUL/AUG	3B	27 Jul	Yr 12 Trial Exams TPL Meeting IT Presentation 3:30-4:10pm Ski Trip Yr 9 – 11 Principals Tour 10.00am BBC Confidential	28 Jul	Yr 12 Trial Exams Ski Trip Yr 9 – 11 ICAAS TEST English NSW All Schools Carnival	29 Jul	Yr 12 Trial Exams Faculty Meeting Ski Trip Yr 9 – 11 U'14s Futsal	30 Jul	Yr 12 Trial Exams Ski Trip Yr 9 – 11 Illinois State University Visit VA 16's Futsal - RC	31 Jul	Yr 12 Trial Exams 1 Aug – Sat Practical & Oral Examination Period Begins Illinois State University Visit VA B'Ball Shell Cup
AUG	4A	3 Aug	Yr 12 Trial Exams MAD2015 Rehearsal (Yr 7) P1-2 TPL Meeting 3:30-4:10pm	4 Aug	Yr 12 Trial Exams Year 8 Art Excursion Year 7 GALA day- Millers Subject Information Evening Yr 8	5 Aug	Yr 12 Trial Exams FW Year 10 Interviews Staff Meeting MAD2015 Rehearsal (Yr 8) P3-4 Paper Plane Final Assembly	6 Aug	Yr 12 Trial Exams Learning Support Meeting BBC Year 10 Interviews Yr8&9 B'Ball Nth Syd	7 Aug	Yr 10 Application to FSC & X Campus Due to CAC Workin Bee Sat 8th Year 10 Peer Reading Program Yr 8 Excursion to Power H
AUG	5B	10 Aug	Prelim/HSC Monitoring Due PBEL Meeting 3:30-4:30pm ITT HSC Practical Marking (during Weeks5-6) Year 12 Ski Trip	11 Aug	Welfare Team Meeting (Lunch) P&C Meeting 7:30pm ICAAS TEST MATHS in Hall P1-2 Bridge Comp yr 9 x 3 Yr8 Language Day	12 Aug	Faculty Meeting Yr 12 Meet pd 1	13 Aug	ICT Committee Meeting Yr 8 Language Day Executive Conference	14 Aug	Newsletter Items due HALL MAD 2015 Rehearsal P5-6 Executive Conference
AUG	6A	17 Aug	TPL Meeting 3:30-4:10pm BBC Confidential Year 8 Techno Workshops 1-4 NB Project Launch P5 and P6 MAD2015 Rehearsal P5-6 for Year 7 and 8	18 Aug	MAD2015 Rehearsal P5-6 Year 8 Techno Workshops 1-4	19 Aug	Staff Meeting Year 8 Techno Workshops1-4	20 Aug	Yr 12 Reports Due to HT Yr 11 Exam Prep Books to DP Pos Psych Annika & Chris	21 Aug	Year 8 Techno Museum Showcase - Cromer Trivia Night Yr 12 Soc Cult Exc
AUG	7B	24 Aug	HSC Visual Arts Body of Work Due Music Music Compositions Due DT HSC Projects Marking Principals Tour 10.00am	25 Aug	HALL MAD 2015	26 Aug	HALL MAD 2015 Faculty Meeting	27 Aug	Yr 12 Reports Due to DP Yr 12 Grades to Ben Learning Support Meeting	28 Aug	Year 7 Incursion STEM in Hall (Tas)
SEPT	8A	31 Aug	PBEL Meeting 3:30-4:30pm HSC Music 1 Practical Examination (during Week 8-9) DT HSC Projects Marking Year 7 GATS Session 3 All Yr 8 in Hall pd 4.	1 Sep	Yr 12 Reports Due to YA Welfare Team Meeting Year 7 GATS Session 3	2 Sep	Staff Meeting Yr12 Post Trial Interviews Year 7 GATS Session 3	3 Sep	Year 7 GATS Session 3 NSWCHS Thletics	4 Sep	Newsletter Items due Year 7 GATS Session 3 NSWCHS Thletics Year 8 Built Environment Excursion TAS
SEPT	9B	7 Sep	Yr 11 Yearly Exams Yr 7 Exam Prep Books to DP Yr 9 Exam Prep Books to DP TPL Meeting 3:30-4:10pm	8 Sep	P&C Meeting 7:30pm Yr 11 Yearly Exams Year 7 & 8 Drama Incursion	9 Sep	Faculty Meeting Summer Sport Selection Day Yr 11 Yearly Exams	10 Sep	ICT Committee Meeting Yr 11 Yearly Exams	11 Sep	Newsletter Distributed Year 12 Graduation Rehearsal P4 Yr 11 Yearly Exams
SEPT	10A	14 Sep	Yr 11 Yearly Exams Transition Letters to Primary Schools	15 Sep	Yr 11 Yearly Exams Year 8 – 10 Exams due to Ian BBC Art Works	16 Sep	Yr 11 Yearly Exams Staff Meeting Year 12 Grad Dinner	17 Sep	Yr 11 Yearly Exams Year 12 Graduation Assembly	18 Sep	Yr 11 Yearly Exams End of Term 3