From the Headmaster

With the return of Year 7 students from their Connect Retreat Orientation program, Scholars’ and Leaders’ Assemblies, in addition to the commencement of Term 1 sports and activities, last week was exceptionally busy and exceptionally ‘alive’.

The momentum continued this week with our youngest learners, those in Prep, commencing their schooling journey on Monday.

Last week, at the College’s assembly our Senior Leaders made their pledge to the whole student body and introduced their theme for the year, ‘Ignite’.

College Captain, Benjamin Carlyon, on behalf of all leaders, spoke of their objective to continue to create an atmosphere in which all boys can develop a sense of belonging and are valued for their contributions to their school. He also spoke of the importance of starting today, not waiting for tomorrow and making the most of the time we have. I’d like to share some of his words here.

“The year is already a month old and no doubt you are wondering where the time has gone… This is why this time of the year is arguably the most critical to ensure a successful 2017 for you individually and at BBC.”

Ben highlighted his point with a quote from the American Actor and social commentator, Will Rogers, who once said, “Even if you’re on the right track you’ll get run over if you just sit there.”

With this in mind, it has been wonderful to see boys already working hard and our leaders proactively ‘igniting’ the student body in their collective endeavour. A true leader is motivated by what he can do to serve others, and I have no doubt that our 2017 Senior Leaders will serve their peers with strength and humility throughout the year.

Strategic Intent and Master Plan

As advised at the end of last year, during 2016 the College articulated its “Strategic Intent” in line with our guiding philosophy ‘All about the boy.’

Our intent recognises that each boy’s journey will be different and it honours the complexities of education and the varied opportunities we must provide. As we move forward our goal remains to create an unforgettable learning environment, one in which each boy enjoys the opportunity to do things he has never done before, one in which he feels thoroughly engaged in the learning process and closely connected with his mentors, his teachers.

Our intent acts as a blueprint for everything we do and will continue to inform our operational plans and work in unison with our Master Plan.

If you would like to view our Strategic Intent or watch our Master Plan presentation – that showcases just how far the campus has developed, the way forward and our vision for all that is possible – please visit the College’s website > www.bbc.qld.edu.au/our-strategy.

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Upcoming Events

Saturday 4 February
GPS Cricket – Round 2
GPS Volleyball – Bye
Years 7, 8, 9, 10 Volleyball vs ATC - (H)
GPS Rowing Regatta #2 - NC - Lake Wyaralong

Monday 6 February
6.30pm Meet Music @ BBC Information Evening – Earl Lamar Recital Room
7.00pm Pipe Band Support Group Meeting – Pipe Band Rooms

Tuesday 7 February
Interhouse Swimming Carnival – Centenary Pool
6.00pm Flynn House Family Service – College Chapel

Wednesday 8 February
Founders’ Day
7.30pm Junior School Support Group Meeting – Junior School Staffroom
8.30am West Taylor Bridge District Swimming trials – St Peters Lutheran College Indooroopilly
11.30am Met West Water Polo Trials – Yeronga Pool

Thursday 9 February
9.30am Parent Connections Meeting – College House
10.10am Senior Badge presentation to Prep
6.00pm Middle School Parent Insight Evening – College Hall

Friday 10 February
4.30pm GPS Swimming Meet #3 – TGS – Sleeman Aquatic Centre
4.30pm GPS Swimming Meet #3 – BBC - Somerville House Pool
5.00pm Debating Round 1 vs IGS (A)
6.30pm BBC Basketball Information Evening – BBC Sports Complex

Save the date

P&F Welcome Party
Thursday 23 February
College Hall Foyer

Twilight Concert
Wednesday 8 March
College Hall

BBC Cricket Dinner
Tuesday 28 March 6.30pm
The Gabba

Important notice

Registrations close for ACER Scholarship Exams
Monday 6 February. Register via
www.bbc.qld.edu.au/scholarships

ROAD SAFETY AT BBC

As we begin the 2017 school year Brisbane Boys’ College is seeking your help in adhering to the road rules around the College to ensure we create a safe environment in and around our school for all.

Traffic signs and lines are in place around the College to provide a safe environment for pedestrians and to maintain traffic flow during busy school drop-off and pick-up times. Please familiarise yourself with the commonly seen signs on streets adjacent to the College and on our internal roads.

The Brisbane City Council traffic enforcement officers and the Queensland Police will increase their presence around the College in the coming weeks both before and after school hours in 2017 to help support student safety.

We thank you for your assistance and cooperation.
The theme of the service will be 'You are growing!' Refreshments will be served from 5.30pm on the veranda outside of the chapel prior to the service.

Knox House Family Service
Wednesday 15 February at 6.00pm - College Chapel
The theme of the service will be ‘You are growing!’ Refreshments will be served from 5.30pm outside the chapel prior to the service.

Rowers’ Family Service
Sunday 21 February at 9.00am - College Chapel
The theme of the service will be ‘Bringing it all Together!’ Morning tea will be served at the conclusion of the service at the Junior School Undercroft where a number of new boats will be blessed. All rowers and their families are invited to attend.

Reverend Graham Cole and Mr Thomas McPherson
CHAPLAIN AND ASSOCIATE CHAPLAIN

FROM THE MIDDLE SCHOOL
Communication is the key
I read with great interest a research article in the International Journal of Multidisciplinary and Current Research (Vol. 2 May/June 2014) entitled ‘Communication Patterns between Adolescents and their Parents’, authored by Assistant Professor Vidhya Thakkar and Assistant Professor Neka Shehl. The article explored parent-adolescent relationships and how communication played an essential role in family functioning. Positive communication has many benefits, as highlighted by influences over the years, that remain relevant today such as:

• Families with good communication styles help the adolescent develop a clearer sense of self (Barness and Olson 1985).
• Effective communication at home helps clarify the role of adolescents within families and helps them develop the skill of empathy so that their personal identity effectively balances feelings of both individuality and connectedness (Grotevant and Cooper 1985).
• Good communication improves adolescents’ social skills that are positively correlated with self-esteem, wellbeing, coping and social support (Bijstra, Bosna and Jackson 1994).

I hope boys have been coming home each afternoon and speaking freely about the wide variety of activities undertaken, the formal and informal interactions between staff and peers, the success and challenges whether major or minor, understanding systems and protocols, developing study and revision plans, as well as short term and longer term goals and targets and issues of returning to the natural rhythm of school life. Taking time to listen is important as many boys will be keen to ‘empty the tank’ regarding all levels of information and detail. Some, however, may be less inclined to talk but it is still important to establish open lines of communication and the comfort of knowing parents will be there when boys feel comfortable to talk.

This relationship building component is also very important for staff to develop with their students. The old yet very relevant saying, ‘students won’t care about the knowledge from their teachers until they know they care about them’ is a powerful reminder about the importance in investing in relationship building experiences during the commencement of the academic year.

Embedded in a getting to know you quiz, I asked my class to tell me about their greatest concerns regarding the start of Middle School. Responses varied ranging from keeping up with work to making new friendships groups to feeling comfortable in the new uniform. One response stood out in both the quality of the response...
as well as its summary of the key concern, that being:

“My greatest worry about starting Middle School is juggling all my schoolwork and other activities at once. Deciding priorities and reaching deadlines may be a challenge.” Jonathan Vickers, Year 7

Students were encouraged to ask me a question that helped them gain a clearer impression of me and my motivations to assist them in reaching their personal goals in this subject.

Being open and comfortable to talk about worries or concerns is an important developmental step. Boys will seek out trusted peers, and hopefully trusted adults, when they are troubled or confused. The Middle School strives to provide a safe and supportive environment whilst boys address the challenge of greater responsibility for their learning. Mistakes will be made, miscalculations will have impact, overconfidence may undermine quality and poor planning or execution may not allow boys to reveal their full capacity. The review then redefine process is a critical component in the evaluation cycle however it needs to be underpinned with honest and reflective conversation with peers, parents and staff.

Year 7 Preliminary Testing Program

All parents should have received an email from Head of Teaching and Learning, Mr Barry Dean, outlining the preliminary testing program aimed at gathering important academic information at the point of transition from primary school into secondary school. Testing will be spread out over weeks two and three. There is no prior study required for these tests and Principal Teachers have confirmed the test materials required for each session.

Middle School Parent Information Session

Thursday 9 February - 6.30pm

Parents from Years 7, 8 and 9 are invited to attend an evening aimed at providing key information about academic, pastoral, behavioural and social matters as well as providing an overview to the start of the academic year. The evening will be most beneficial to parents new to BBC, however existing parents are most welcome to attend. The event will be held in College Hall on Thursday 9 February commencing at 6.30pm. Please contact Mrs Zeidler in the Middle School Office on 07 3721 5910 or via msreception@bbc.qld.edu.au should you have any questions in relation to this event.

Mr Ian Macpherson
HEAD OF MIDDLE SCHOOL

MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE

Term 1 Overview

Year 7 students begin their middle schooling in science with an introduction to working safely in the laboratory, as well as learning about key scientific skills such as graphing, fair testing, and report writing. The term concludes with a study of mixtures and how they can be separated based upon their properties. There is no summative assignment this term, with students given the opportunity to practice the report writing genre before being assessed on this early in Term 2.

Year 8 students study Human Physiology this term, including the respiratory, circulatory, digestive, musculo-skeletal and urinary systems. Dissections of the heart and kidney provide an interesting link to the class theory. Whilst it is important to learn the features of each system, it is more important to understand how the systems interact to create a functioning organism. The assignment will investigate how body systems differ between organisms and will be distributed in week three.

The theory of plate tectonics is the focus for Year 9 students for the first six weeks. The unit develops this theory through investigation and analysis of scientific data such as the age of rocks, composition of continental and oceanic crust, the magnetism of the sea floor and the changing position of volcanoes and earthquakes on the Earth’s surface. The assignment will be distributed in week three and involves investigating factors that affect the flow of simulated lava. Ecology is the topic of study for the final four weeks of the term, which continues into Term 2.

Students in all year levels are strongly encouraged to make use of the unit booklets, which contain a variety of worksheets designed specifically to prepare students for assessment.

Mr Lucas Brown
2IC SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

BOARDING

‘Make the time’

Over the last two weeks we have seen 146 boys join Rudd House for the year and it has been non-stop since 3 January. Over the holidays we have seen so many transformations within the boarding house from the upgrade of our gardens, the new paint, curtains and carpet in Philp House (Years 11 and 12 dorms), additional dorm cubicles next to the Trevor Lloyd Room (photo below) and the continuing renovations of the Year 10 dorms. This would not have been possible without the hard work of the boarding staff, BBC maintenance and cleaning teams and of course the builders. Every person involved made the time to ensure that the precinct would be ready for when the boys returned from holidays.

That first Sunday saw a lot of excitement, as well as the realisation not only for the boys but for parents as well, that the school year had begun. The boys unpacked with enthusiasm. For some it was a continuation as a boarder and for others it was a new chapter in their life; their ‘day one’ in Rudd House. No matter which the day signalled a band of brothers - from China to Dalby, Darwin to Lismore - coming together to begin an adventure that will assist them in their growth as young men.

Thanks must go to Rev Cole for his special chapel service and Mike Smith and the catering staff for a fantastic dinner.

Our theme this year is ‘make the time’ which was discussed at our Boarder Support Group meeting. For example, I will be reminding the boys to ‘make the time’ for:

- Quality homework
- Keeping their room up to the school’s expectations
- Questions if you do not understand
- Sitting down to have dinner with someone you might not know
- And of course, making the time to talk to their parents

Other additions for this year include the Reading Acceleration program that will become part of Prep (Monday to Thursday. Prep will also involve a compulsory reading segment for the last 20 minutes for Years 7 to 10 boys. The new Year 7/8/12 ‘Big Brother
We welcome two new teachers into the Boarding House this year - Head of Senior Social Science, Mr Peter Auliciems who will fulfill the role of Master on Duty on Thursday and Accounting, Legal Studies and Economics Teacher, Mr Larry Huynh, who will be joining us as a live-in Residential Tutor. A further two BBC Academic staff will also be assisting with Prep, bringing the total number of teachers now working with our boys up to six (as well as the current boarding staff on duty each night).

The first weekend saw many of boarders involved in sport on Saturday and an adventure to Wet and Wild Fun park on Sunday. It was a fantastic day of water slides and fun for all.

The annual Boarder’s Ann Street City Combined Church Service will be held this Sunday at 9.00am. As this is an official Boarding function, I kindly ask that all boarders be back by 8.00pm from leave on Sunday morning. Buses will transport the boys to and from the church and they will return to the College by no later than 11.00pm (where they can once again go on leave if required). The boys will then have the first of many ‘big brunch specials’ at 12.00pm in the dining hall. If you have any concerns or leave issues with regards to this time, please let me know.

Mr Matt McEwen
DIRECTOR OF BOARDING

BBC BUS SERVICE 2017

Brisbane Boys’ College offers five chartered bus routes each morning and afternoon, during term time. All vehicles are air conditioned, equipped with seat belts, GPS tracking and carry only BBC students. Bus Routes can be found on the Getting Here section of the College website with links to Google maps to outline each route.

How to register for bus travel
If your son’s will be travelling on a BBC chartered bus this year, there is a two-step process that you will need to follow:

Step 1: Purchase a bus pass (Term or 20 Trip Pass)
Families have the option of purchasing a Term Bus Pass ($315 per term) or a 20 Trip bus pass ($110 per pass). A Term bus pass is most cost effective for passengers travelling more than 40 trips per term.

Click here to purchase a Term 1, 2017 bus pass
Click here to purchase a 20 Trip bus pass

Note: The default bus route is Bus Route 1 to Clayfield. Please ensure you purchase a bus pass for the registered bus route.

Once you have purchased a 20 Trip Pass, your son will be notified to collect his pass from his school office (Junior School Office, Middle School Office or Main Reception). No bus pass is issued for Term Pass holders.

Step 2: Complete the bus registration form
Brisbane Boys’ College requires every passenger to be registered prior to travel (once per school year). Please complete the Bus Registration Form below, once you have purchased a Bus Pass, to register your son’s pick-up and drop-off stops. It is recommended that students in the Early Years (Prep to Year 3) travel with an older brother or friends.

By the end of week two each term (co-curricular schedules should be finalised by this time) families must identify the bus route and pick-up/drop-off bus stops for the remainder of the term.

Your understanding and acceptance of the BBC Bus Service Conditions will be required upon registration. The registration information will be passed on to Brisbane Bus Lines to ensure your son’s pick-up and drop-off stops are added to the travel register. Your registration will enable BBC to gauge the size of the bus required for each term ensuring there are enough seats for all travellers.

Click here for the Bus Registration Form

Further information can be found on the Events section of the College website via www.bbc.qld.edu.au/events/bbc-bus-passes

Brisbane Boys’ College remains committed to providing the best possible charter bus service to our community.

Campbell House Family Service
All Campbell House family members and friends are invited to attend our annual chapel service.

Date: Sunday 12 February
Where: St Andrew’s Chapel, BBC
Time: 9.00am Morning tea to follow at 10.00am
Dress: Boys to wear school uniform (no blazers or boaters required)
Theme: Who’s going to save you?

For further information please contact Alan Cheel on 3721 8731 or via acheel@bbc.qld.edu.au
Co-curricular Activities

GPS CROSS COUNTRY

2017 GPS Cross Country
Welcome to the 2017 Years 5 to 12 GPS Cross Country season. To achieve our stated aim of a top three finish, several processes and themes will be in operation this year:

- The 2017 Brisbane Boys’ College Cross Country is a team, and each age group is a team within the Years 10 to Open team.
- All preparation is for the 2017 GPS Cross Country Championships to be held on Wednesday 31 May at Limestone Park.
- A specific, differentiated emphasis will be placed on the 6000m events (16 Years and Open).
- Seniors will lead – actions speak louder than words.

Training sessions
Monday and Thursday mornings
6.45am - 7.45am
Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons
3.15pm - 4.15pm
Meet at the John Noblet Oval grandstand. Please note that training for Term 1 GPS sports takes priority over cross country training at present.

Term 1 dates
Friday 17 March
Prep to Year 6 Interhouse

Thursday 23 March
Years 7 to 12 Interhouse

Thursday 23 March
Years 5 to 12 GPS lead up meet #1 (BSHS/BBC host) - Minnippi Parklands, Tingalpa

Friday 7 - Sunday 9 April
Years 7 to 12 GPS Cross Country camp, Tallebudgera

Mr Russel Hansen
DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS (TRACK AND FIELD, CROSS COUNTRY)

DEBATING

GPS Round 1, Years 8 to 12
The teams and coaches have been matched up and all boys should be preparing for their first debate.

Only one more week until the GPS season kicks off on Friday 10 February with the debate against Ipswich Grammar School (IGS) at Ipswich. A bus will travel to IGS departing BBC at 4.00pm and returning at approximately 10.00pm.

If any debater wishing to utilise this service must contact me by Thursday 9 February.

GPS Round 2 - Friday 24 February (all teams will be debating at BBC)

Date claimer
Debate against Somerville House
13 February at 7.00pm

Once again the BBC Senior A team has been invited to debate against the Somerville House Senior As, at Somerville, to launch their season. This is a fun charity event adjudicated by Judge Rackemann. Entry is by gold coin donation. The topic is ‘That we should regret 2016’.

This is a great event with hundreds of Somerville girls and BBC boys participating and I encourage all students and families to come along.

Ms J Christopher
MIC OF DEBATING

CRICKET

GPS Cricket Round 1
BBC began the first round of GPS Cricket on Saturday against BGS with many fine team and individual performances.

In Years 7 to 12, BBC won 10 out of 21 matches whilst in Years 5 and 6 matches, BBC won the 6A and 6B games. Highlights include:

- The BBC First XI defeated BGS, scoring 133 (Max Clayton 54 runs) and then dismissing BGS for 112 (two wickets each to Tom Ham, James Wallington, Max Clayton, Will Crook and James Ward).
- Great ‘last gasp’ wins by Second XI, 10A, 7A, 9C, 7 Green teams.
- 9A team making 220 and dismissing BGS for 20 runs all out!
- Excellent team work and support in the 8A and 8B teams, despite being defeated.
- All those boys in Year 5 and Year 7 who represented BBC for the first time.
- The outstanding teamwork evident in so many BBC teams.
- The wonderful support of parents in scoring, assisting in the canteens and generally encouraging our cricketers.

Round 2 matches – Saturday 4 February
Whilst the GPS Cricket draw states that BBC has a bye this Saturday 4 February, all available BBC teams will play cricket matches. Therefore, there is an expectation that all boys will be available for matches this Saturday.

The First XI will play Downlands College (DC) in Toowoomba, whilst all other BBC teams (Years 5 to 12) will play matches against either Ambrose Treacy College (ATC), Gregory Terrance (GT) or Internal Challenge matches against other BBC teams.

These games, whilst not GPS fixtures, will indeed be valuable. The draw (noting game times and venues) will be made available to boys and parents via email.

Good luck to all players.
Private coaching
BBC Cricket Head Coach, Hamish Gardiner (Level 2 coach, former Scotland International and current UQCC First Grade player), is available for individual cricket coaching sessions during the school day. Boys in Years 7 to 11 are able to utilise one of their practical PE classes or Sport and Recreational classes for cricket coaching. Sessions are held at the BBC cricket nets. The cost is $45.00 per session (commencing with three sessions booked). Boys interested should contact me directly (with your timetable) in order for times to be arranged.

BBC Cricket Dinner – Tuesday 28 March 6.30pm - Gabba
On behalf of the BBC Cricket Support Group (CSG), I am pleased to invite BBC Cricketers (Years 7 to 12) and their parents to the annual BBC Cricket Dinner. Please make attendance a priority and join in the end of season celebrations of our cricketers.
Invitations, along with information on how you can purchase tickets, will be emailed to registered cricketing families shortly.

MR DAVID MARSH
DIRECTOR OF CRICKET

Music Rehearsal Timetable

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Meet #1 – Friday 27 January

Last Friday saw the first meet of the competitive season at Sleeman Aquatic Centre, Candler. Amongst the familiar faces in the pool were a number of new students that wanted to be a part of the swimming program.

The Junior squad swimmers started the night off in fine form with 44 boys involved.

The second session of the night was for swimmers in the Senior squad, with 64 students taking to the pool and setting the tone for their season – to push, challenge and support each other so the collective group can perform to their best.

For both squads, the benchmark has now been set. The next few weeks will require the boys to honestly reflect on their own performances so that aspects that require attention can be improved while strengths are enhanced.

Meet #2 – Friday 3 February

This Friday’s meet will be held at Sleeman Aquatic Centre, Candler. The Junior program (10 and Under – 12 and Under) will run from 4.30pm to 6.30pm, whilst the Senior program (13 and Under – Open) will be held from 6.30pm to 8.30pm.

Boys in the Senior squad are to meet at Union Street so that we can show our support for the Junior squad swimmers. Following this, at 4.00pm, the Senior squad swimmers will meet in G201 in the Sports Complex for a squad meeting. At 4.30pm, the buses will leave for Chandler from the Sports Complex carpark and will return to school after the completion of the meet schedule (approximately 9.00pm).

Should any boy wish to secure a place on the bus, they must come up to the PE Office in the Sports Complex to place their name on the list by the end of school on Wednesday of each week.

Meet #3 – Friday 10 February

Event organisers have advised a change to next Friday’s meet – the BBC-hosted meet scheduled at Somerville House pool. The BBC Swimming squads will now be heading to the Sleeman Aquatic Centre, Candler.

Despite the change in venue, this meet will still be allocated as a mandatory GPS selection meet.

Met West Trials

Nominations have now been submitted to the Brisbane Independent District for consideration for Met West trial selection. Once all of the nominations from this district have been collated, the College will be notified of who has been successful in securing a place in the Met West trials. Following this notification, the relevant paperwork will be forwarded to the respective families.

2017 Swimming Annual Awards

Tickets are now available to be purchased for the end of season Swimming Annual Awards. The event flyer, providing all of the necessary details for this event, can be found on page 10 of this edition of College News.

Mr Brett Shields
DIRECTOR OF AQUATICS

Water Polo

Met West Trials

The 2017 Met West Water Polo trials are being held next week on Wednesday 8 February. Those boys who submitted their paperwork to the Met West office will be travelling to Yeronga pool by school bus. Boys are to meet at the Sports Complex carpark at morning tea and will be returned to the same location prior to the end of school.

2017 Sign-on

To give boys enough forewarning, those students who want to play water polo for BBC this year will be asked to come down to the pool in week four, on Wednesday 15 February, during lunch to add their name to the player list.

Mr Brett Shields
DIRECTOR OF AQUATICS

Interhouse Swimming Carnival

Tuesday 7 February

The Interhouse Swimming Carnival will be conducted in two half-day sessions next Tuesday at the Centenary Pool, Gregory Terrace. All students in Years 7 to 12 are expected to attend and participate for their house if possible. Boys can wear PE clothes with their house shirt to and from school.

Senior School students will leave the College from Miskin Street in buses at 8.30am, with their final event scheduled to be completed by 11.30am.

Middle School boys are to attend Period 1, 2 and 3 classes and will be departing for the pool, from Miskin Street at 11.15am and returning for 3.00pm.

We look forward to seeing the boys compete for their house, in the first interhouse event for the year.

Mr Mark Pavone
SPORTSMASTER
PARENT CONNECTIONS

Parent Connections seeks to provide points of connection for parents of the College. All parents are welcome to attend Parent Connections meetings held each term in College House on the second Thursday of the month. The first meeting for 2017 is Thursday 9 February at 9.30am. Please note the Year level event information for upcoming dates:

**Year 7**
Come and meet your fellow Year 7 Parents for a coffee catch-up.
*When:* Thursday 3 February from 8.00am (week two)
*Where:* Regatta Hotel (parking onsite or a short walk from Toowong)
*Drinks and food available for purchase on arrival*
*RSVP:* Helen Barnard via SMS 0428 274 740

**Year 8**
Share a tea or coffee and chat with Year 8 parents.
*When:* Friday 10 February (week three)
*Where:* Regatta Hotel from 8.00am
*Tea/coffee and food may be purchased on arrival*
*RSVP:* Sam Bayford-Brown via sms 0435 349 245 or Teresa Conradie via sms 0437 091 171.

**Year 9**
Come join your fellow Year 9 parents for a coffee catch-up.
*When:* Friday 17 February from 8.00am (week four)
*Where:* Regatta Hotel
*Coffee and cake available for purchase*
*RSVP:* Nicole McPherson via SMS 0419 208 586
*We look forward to seeing you then!*

**Year 10**
Year 10 social evening will be held in week five.
*Date:* Wednesday 22 February from 6.30pm
*Venue:* Nantucket Charcoal Kitchen and Bar, Indooroopilly
*Cost:* $37.00 per person, includes canapés and a welcome drink
*Cash bar on the night*
*RSVP:* Please purchase your ticket by clicking this [link](#)
*Tickets close 15 February 2017*
If your require further information please contact Year 10 Parent Represenative, Kelly Fielding via home@fieldings.com.au
*We hope to see you there.*

**Year 11**
The Year 11 catch-up will be held in week seven (commencing 6 March). Karen will provide further details as soon as possible via College News.

**Year 12**
Year 12 parents are warmly invited to a coffee catch up.
*When:* Wednesday 15 February from 8.30am (week four)
*Where:* Bean on Dean
*RSVP:* Ryl Gardner by Monday 13 February via repgard@bigpond.com.au

Year 12 parents are also invited to a casual social evening.
*When:* Friday 24 March from 5.30-7.30pm (week nine)
*Where:* Hundred Acre Bar
*Drinks are available for purchase on arrival*
*RSVP:* Ryl Gardner by Monday 20 March via repgard@bigpond.com.au

Ms Helen Barnard
PRESIDENT PARENT CONNECTIONS

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**P&F Welcome Party**

BBC’s Parents and Friends’ Association together with Parent Connections warmly invites you to a cocktail party to welcome in the new school year.

**All parents welcome to attend**

**Thursday 23 February**
6.00pm to 8.00pm, College Hall Foyer

**RSVP by Monday 20 February**
to Jennifer Sharp

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**TUCKSHOP**

**Roster week commencing 6 February**

**Monday 6:** Karla Argaet, Sarah Mason, Karen Culshaw, Caylie Jeffery, Jodie McLaughlin-Phillips

**Tuesday 7:** Suzanne Mathieson, Rachel Stokes

**Wednesday 8:** Jenny Wimberger, Giustina Pennington

**Thursday 9:** Pamela Stewart, Vivian Yang, Sala Ripley, Kristy Magele

**Friday 10:** Roslyn Webb, Tracy Herron, Wendy Campbell

Ms Barbara Harvey
TUCKSHOP CONVENOR

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BBC’s Parents and Friends’ Association together with Parent Connections warmly invites you to a cocktail party to welcome in the new school year.

**All parents welcome to attend**

**Thursday 23 February**
6.00pm to 8.00pm, College Hall Foyer

**RSVP by Monday 20 February**
to Jennifer Sharp
Invitation to all Pipe Band families.

The BBC Pipe Band Support Group invites you to the 2017 Welcome to the Pipe Band function.

It is a great opportunity to meet pipe band families and tutors in a relaxed musical atmosphere and hear from Pipe Band Director, Steven Stanley, regarding the year ahead and the countdown to the 2018 Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo.

DATE  Friday 17 February, 2017
TIME  5.00pm – 7.30pm
WHERE  BBC Junior School Undercroft
COST  $25 per Adult
       Band members and siblings under 18 free,
       ticket price includes nibbles and pizza.
       Cash bar for beer, wine and soft drinks.

RSVP  Purchase tickets at Tickethost

For all enquiries please email Nicola Seaton via bbcpipebandevents@gmail.com
Swimming Annual Awards

BBC Swimming invites Junior and Senior squad swimmers and their family to celebrate the season at the Annual Swimming Awards Break Up.

DATE       Friday 3 March
TIME       7.00pm for a 7.15pm start – late
VENUE       Diamond Room, Easts Leagues Club
             40 Main Avenue, Coorparoo
TICKETS     Adults: $75; Students/Children: $50
             Tickets are to be purchased via
             bit.ly/BBCSwimmingAnnualAwards
RSVP        Please purchase tickets online by
             Monday 27 February

ENQUIRIES  For further information
            contact Brett Shields,
            Director of Aquatics via
            bshields@bbc.qld.edu.au
            or 3309 3562
Each year Brisbane Boys’ College offers a number of scholarship and bursary opportunities for boys to benefit from a BBC education.

**ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS**
Awarded for excellence in academic achievement. Please ensure you apply for the correct exam type.

**DECUS (EXCELLENCE) SCHOLARSHIPS**
Awarded to boys who exhibit the personal qualities for which the College is known and can demonstrate excellence in sports or performing arts.

**BOARDING SCHOLARSHIPS**
Awarded to students with the potential to achieve good results in the classroom and embrace the wider school programs.

**BUSH KIDS BURSARY**
Recently established to provide an opportunity for a deserving student from a rural background who has the potential to maximise the benefits of a BBC education.

**GUY ROBERTS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
Awarded to a young man who demonstrates sound academic ability, character and leadership attributes, and the ability to contribute to the co-curricular life of the College.

**SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS**
Academic scholarships are awarded based on ACER examination results, recent academic record and may involve an interview with parents and the applicant.

**2017 REGISTRATION AND EXAMINATION DATES**
- **Monday 6 February** - closing date to register for the Cooperative Program and Primary Cooperative program.
- **Saturday 25 February** - ACER Scholarship exam
- **Saturday 18 February** - closing date to register for the alternate ACER Scholarship exam day (Tuesday 28 February).

To register visit [www.bbc.qld.edu.au/scholarships](http://www.bbc.qld.edu.au/scholarships)

**FURTHER INFORMATION**
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