SNAPSHOT: PREP BADGE PRESENTATION

BBC’s senior leaders paid a special visit to the Prep classroom this week to present the College’s youngest learners with their ‘Ignite’ badge.

Each year, seniors develop a theme designed to unite the student body and reinforce school spirit across the entire College. ‘Ignite’ seeks to create an atmosphere in which all boys can develop a sense of belonging and are valued for their contributions to the school. The photos speak for themselves in saying that the boys appeared in awe of their senior counterparts!
FROM THE CHAPLAINS

This week we celebrated 115 years of life at Brisbane Boys’ College.

It is hard to believe that all of those years have passed since Mr Arthur Rudd commenced his school for boys at Clayfield in 1902.

This year our speaker at our Founder’s Assemblies was BBC Old Collegian, Peter Roe, who was at BBC from 1961 to 1966. Peter was College Captain in 1966. At each of the assemblies he gave us a wonderful window into what life at BBC was like over 50 years ago. Students and staff were also able to view some very powerful visual memories provided by our archivist, Helen Jackson.

On days like Founder’s Day, there is a realisation that every generation has had a part in seeing Mr Rudd’s vision unfold and that we are all a part of the ongoing history at BBC. Today we continue to see young men realising their God given potential as they intentionally experience physical, spiritual, mental and social growth within their lives. We also recognise that as a Christian school we are caught up in a wider vision that began 2000 years ago with the greatest movements that the world has ever seen. We have truly been beneficiaries of Christ’s hope for the world at BBC.

The following are some of the services that are being conducted over the coming weeks. Students and staff are invited to attend and further information about these services will be communicated by Housemasters.

Campbell House Family Service
Sunday 12 February at 9.00am - College Chapel
The theme of the service will be ‘Who’s going to save you?’ Morning tea will be served in the Boarders’ Dining Room following the service.

Birtles House Family Service
Tuesday 14 February at 6.00pm - College Chapel
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.

Wesley House Family Service
Tuesday 21 February at 6.00pm - College Chapel
The theme of the service will be ‘Who’s going to save you?’ Refreshments will be served from 5.30pm outside the chapel prior to the service.

Wheller House Family Service
Wednesday 22 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.

Hamilton House Family Service
Sunday 26 February at 9.00am - College Chapel
The theme of the service will be ‘Who’s going to save you?’ Morning tea will be served in the Boarders’ Dining Room following the service.

FROM THE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Early signs

I was speaking with a number of boys during one particular lunch break and they were commenting on how fast the term was going. They were all involved in at least one co-curricular activity, they felt settled and were managing both their classwork and extra learning requirements when at home. From this conversation one could easily conclude all boys had overcome the back to school jitters and were now truly entrenched in a routine that best suited their specific circumstances.

The reality here is that some boys have found the move from primary to secondary school a little more challenging or for some of our new, older boys, they have struggled somewhat to establish strong peer connections. Some boys have noticed past academic or co-curricular glories have not automatically rolled over into the new year and they are only now realising that they have to put in a much greater effort.

And then there are the boys who cannot quite pinpoint why they are not firing on all cylinders. Everything appears to be fine, yet there is a feeling that something is not quite right.

One may need to look at sleep patterns and whether this has changed over the last three week period. The amount of quality sleep might be that one area that has changed resulting in a chain reaction of other less obvious events or actions. Together, these may begin to add up and create unnecessary stress or concern.

So what is the right amount of sleep for a young adolescent? Research indicates a range of between eight to 10 hours of sleep. One may need to look at sleep patterns and whether this has changed over the last three week period. The amount of quality sleep might be that one area that has changed resulting in a chain reaction of other less obvious events or actions. Together, these may begin to add up and create unnecessary stress or concern.

A lack of quality sleep can impact young adolescents in a number of ways including:

- **Mood.** Sleep deprivation will cause your teenager to be moody, irritable and cranky. In addition, they will have a difficult time regulating their mood, such as by getting frustrated or upset more easily.
- **Behaviour.** Teenagers who are sleep deprived are also more likely to engage in risk-taking behaviours and engaging in other dangerous activities.
- **Cognitive ability.** Inadequate sleep will result in problems with attention, decision making, reaction time and creativity, all of which are important in school.
- **Academic performance.** Students show that teenagers who get less sleep are more likely to get poor grades in school, fall asleep in school and have a school tardiness/absence issues.

The following examples may assist young adolescents in getting a better night’s sleep:

- **Set a regular bedtime.** Going to bed at the same time each night signals to your body that it’s time to sleep. Waking up...
at the same time every day also can help establish sleep patterns. So try to stick as closely as you can to your sleep schedule, even on weekends. Try not to go to sleep more than an hour later or wake up more than two to three hours later than you do during the week.

- **Exercise regularly.** Try not to exercise right before bed, though, as it can rev you up and make it harder to fall asleep. Finish exercising at least three hours before bedtime. Many sleep experts believe that exercising in late afternoon may actually help a person sleep.

- **Avoid stimulants.** Don’t drink beverages with caffeine, such as soft drinks and coffee, after 4.00pm.

- **Relax your mind.** Avoid violent, scary, or action movies or television shows right before bed — anything that might set your mind and heart racing. Reading books with involved or active plots may also keep you from falling or staying asleep.

- **Unwind by keeping the lights low.** Light signals the brain that it’s time to wake up. Staying away from bright lights (including computer screens), as well as meditating or listening to soothing music, can help your body relax. Try to avoid TV, computers and other electronics, and using your phone (including texting) at least one hour before you go to bed.

- **Don’t nap too much.** Naps of more than 30 minutes during the day and naps too close to bedtime may keep you from falling asleep later.

- **Avoid all-nighters.** Don’t wait until the night before a big test to study. Cutting back on sleep the night before a test may mean you perform worse than you would if you’d studied less but got more sleep.

- **Create the right sleeping environment.** Studies show that people sleep best in a dark room that is slightly on the cool side. Close your blinds or curtains (and make sure they’re heavy enough to block out light) and turn down the thermostat (pile on extra blankets if you’re cold). Lots of noise can be a sleep turnoff, too. Use a nature sounds or white-noise machine (or app) if you need to block out a noisy environment.

- **Wake up with bright light.** Bright light in the morning signals your body that it’s time to get going. If it’s dark in your room, it can help to turn on a light as soon as your alarm goes off.

Mary L. Gavin, MD, 2013, pp.3-4

In a world of managing multiple activities, responding to everything that suddenly appears, trying to please everyone, and possibly being a little hard on oneself for not constantly being at one’s best, it can be very easy to overlook something as simple as one’s sleep pattern. A late night here, a run of late nights or early mornings leading into a major assessment item or event or just trying to help everyone and leaving you with no time for yourself, all weigh heavily especially over an extended period of time.

Just as we ask boys to consider their homework, study and revision regimes, we should also encourage boys to look ahead for peak periods with a view to factoring in issues that may impede performance. It may be very hard to suddenly change sleep patterns to fill the deficit, so a considered sleeping plan may be one of the best investments as it works to repair, rejuvenate and reset the body for the regular cycle of challenges.

**Mr Ian Macpherson**
HEAD OF MIDDLE SCHOOL

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**BOARDING**

The sound of Rudd House

On Sunday the boarders travelled to the Ann Street Presbyterian Church for a combined service with the congregation. It was a lovely morning of bagpipes and worship. Special thanks to Rev Cole for assisting in the organisation of the service. The boarders were exceptional and after we arrived back to the Boarding House they experienced their first brunch for the year full of scrumptious food that overflowed their plates.

Tuesday saw the interhouse swimming carnival. Even though the results are not yet known, the spirit and pride (and overwhelming noise) of the Rudd boys was awe inspiring for all to see. The cheering and constant support offered to all Rudd competitors was nothing short of spectacular. Every boarder who swam that day made sure that they did their best to contribute as many points as they could to our overall score. The boys were then rewarded for the efforts on Tuesday night with a shortened Prep time and 25 large pizzas for supper.

Prep is working extremely well for all year levels. We have six specialist teachers assisting the boys at night. For example, Ms Elizabeth comes in every Monday night to help the Year 12 boarders in English and Geography.

The new Big Brother program for this year is also resulting in positive relationships between the senior and junior boys. The new dorms are taking shape and it should only be another few weeks until this exciting project is completed and the Year 10 boarders can move into their new home.

Congratulations goes to Rudd Vice Captain, Anthony Cerqui, as it was announced on Wednesday that he has also been selected as Vice Captain of Debating for 2017.

This weekend the boarders will be able to participate in putt putt on Friday night, indoor sports in the BBC gym on Saturday night and a Sunday day trip to Kings Beach at Caloundra.

**Mr Matt McEwen**
DIRECTOR OF BOARDING
During December 2016, 23 students from Years 10 and 11, along with four staff travelled to northern India to participate in a community project in a rural tea picking region. Working with the Australian company Antipodeans and local Indian run Volunteering India, our students raised more than $9,000 during a 12 month period to contribute towards the building project. In country our students were hands on spending approximately 10 days in total building the early stages of a three classroom school to house the poorer youth of the community, including the concrete slab, brick work, cement mixing and land clearing.

Whilst in country students also participated in a five day trek out of Mcleod Ganj, the home of the Dalai Lama, where they trekked to a height of 3,300m to magnificent views of the local Himalayan Mountains and the Punjab Plains below. Over the last week the groups visited Jaipur, Agra and New Delhi, exposing them to sights and sounds very unfamiliar to what they are used to in Brisbane.

Apart from the community project, we were able to achieve a number of outcomes for the students, which were developed over the lead up period to the expedition. These included small group management, leadership of their peers, budgeting, communication and problem solving. The exposure to a number of challenging situations in India has provided strength and growth for these students which will indeed assist them in future years.

Mr Adam Wood
ACADEMIC STAFF - HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY

PROTECTING OUR STUDENTS

Protecting our students from harm and the risk of harm is our number one priority at Brisbane Boys’ College and is fundamental to maximising their personal and academic potential.

We expect all BBC employees, contractors and volunteers to ensure that their behaviour towards and relationships with students reflect proper standards of care for students. We will respond diligently to a report of suspected or actual harm, or risk of harm to a student.

We have a comprehensive PMSA Child Protection Policy, which provides written processes about the care and protection of children, including processes for appropriate conduct of BBC employees, for the reporting of harm or suspected harm, and actions to be taken if a member of staff or a parent of the College becomes aware or reasonably suspects that harm has been done to a student of the College by other staff, people outside the College or by other students.

We are obliged by law to report to the authorities all instances of abuse or suspected abuse of children which are reported to us, or which otherwise come to our attention. If the abuse or suspected abuse is from someone outside the school, the responsibility for informing parents or caregivers rests with the child protection agency official, and not with the school.

Should you become aware or reasonably suspect that harm has been caused to a student of the College by a member of staff, someone outside of the College or by other students you should report your concerns to the Headmaster, Deputy Headmaster or the relevant School Head or to any other member of College staff.

Our Child Protection Policy

The PMSA Child Protection Policy can be viewed here. It is also available on the PMSA website and under the Policies and Governance section on the BBC website, and from College Reception. Students have access to this policy at any time through the information provided in their student diary.
GPS CROSS COUNTRY

2017 GPS Cross Country
The countdown is on to the 2017 GPS Years 5 to 12 Cross Country Championships.
Wednesday of this week marked 16 weeks until the 2017 event. At first glance, this seems like a long time away. However, once Term 2 starts the weeks will fly by to week seven of term and the GPS Cross Country will suddenly be upon us.

We encourage boys to build their foundation of fitness now in preparation for Limestone Park on Wednesday 31 May.

Co-curricular Activities

All about the team - weekly awards

Middle School: Louis Ryan
Senior School: Ben Israel
(awards to be presented at the first BBQ)

Parent Support Group
Parents who are interested in supporting the College Cross Country program, particularly the weekly Thursday morning BBQs, are asked to contact Mr Richard Bennett via richard@bennettfinancial.com.au

Mr Russel Hansen
DIRECTOR OF TRACK AND FIELD, CROSS COUNTRY

DEBATING

The Great Debate against Somerville House at Somerville is scheduled for 7.00pm on Monday 13 February.

For more information please see the Somerville House flyer on page 15 of this edition of College News.

Mr J Christopher
MIC OF DEBATING

ROWING

The rowing regatta season is now two weeks in with the crews from Year 9 to Opens having competed admirably in the first two regattas hosted by Terrace and Nudgee College. Crews in the Year 9 and 10 groups have performed particularly well with several podium placings and wins to the Year 9 Ninth, Eighth, and Third Quads, and the Year 10 First Quad.

The Year 11 and Open crews are still settling their combinations and have had promising results to date, and the Open Fours have drawn compliments from race commentators for their work ethic and tenacity whilst many of the crew are new to rowing.

Year 8 boys are training at the shed ahead of their first regatta in two weeks’ time hosted by The Southport School, and are excited for their first taste of competition.

All crews are training hard under the expert and dedicated guidance of their coaches, many of whom are old boys from the rowing shed, and all boys are trying to cope well with challenging heat and the occasional illness spreading through crews. The ‘shed spirit’ is being led in fine example by 2017 Captain of Boats, Alistair Waters, and Vice Captain, Lachlan Phillips.

All parent and sibling supporters are welcome to come down to beautiful Lake Wyaralong (between Boonah and Beaudesert) any Saturday between now and the Head of the River on 11 March (the BBC Regatta) to watch the crews compete at the highest level.

Watch newsletters for Head of the River volunteering and exciting upcoming Rowing Support Group events. Please save the date for the next such event - the rowing chapel service at 9.00am on Sunday 19 February 2017.

Mr Adnrew Cruickshank
DIRECTOR OF ROWING

PIPE BAND

Our Junior School boys were excited to have senior members of the BBC Pipe Band come down and play a few tunes for them and allow the junior boys to have a ‘try out’ of the bagpipes and drums. It was lovely to see the interaction of the junior and senior boys.
If any boys (Years 3 to 6) would like to register for the Pipe Band Mini Clinics, spaces are still available. If any boys in Years 4 to 12 would like to learn the bagpipes or drums via private lessons spaces are still available.

For more information please contact me via sstanley@bbc.qld.edu.au or Mr Quill via SQuill@bbc.qld.edu.au

Mr Steven Stanley
DIRECTOR PIPE BAND
Campbell House Family Service
All Campbell House family members and friends are invited to attend our annual chapel service.

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

**MUSIC REHEARSALS**

**Twilight Concert**
Wednesday 8 March
6.30pm - College Hall
Ensembles performing include the College Symphony, College Strings, Symphonic Band, Big Band, Pipe Band, Camerata and Collegians. Please see the flyer on page 12 of this edition of College News for more information.

Ms Emma Carey
WOODWIND DIRECTOR

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**Music Rehearsal Timetable**

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PARENTS AND FRIENDS’ ASSOCIATION

Parent Forum – Academic Success Strategies
Tuesday 28 February at 7.00pm - College Hall

Julia Clifford, principal at Advance Academics will be our guest speaker for the first Parent Forum of the year. Julia will talk about goal setting and empowering parents to assist boys to get the best out of their study time. Please RSVP here by 27 February.

Tired of nagging your sons to study? Can’t understand why they’re so distracted? Overwhelmed with stressed-out teens? Feel as though you’re speaking a different language?

The Term 1 Parent Forum with Advance Academics will give you the answers you need, and you’ll walk away with practical, effective and proven strategies that you can implement straight away.

Any parent will tell you that not all boys are the same. Some are extroverted, some more reserved. Some boys are driven and achievement-oriented, others are more easy-going. Understanding exactly how these characteristics impact learning and study habits is imperative to effectively assisting your sons to ensure they reach their own academic potential. At this forum, you’ll gain insight into the interaction between an individual student’s personality type and their academic habits. Many parents report the relief and ‘light-bulb’ moments they experience when the understand not only how their boys are unique, but why, resulting in greater empathy, consideration and harmony within the home. You’ll gain awareness of your own communication style as a parent, and how you can help to motivate, organise and prepare your boys for success, through personalised strategies.

About Julia… Julia Clifford (nee Minuzzo) is an experienced public speaker, Certified Personality Trainer, tutor, mentor, business owner and registered teacher. Julia has trained in the USA under renowned speaker and author, Florence Littauer, and utilises the user-friendly profiling system, The Personalities. Built on this knowledge, Julia opened Advance Academics in 2008, a unique academic tutoring and mentoring service. She and her team mentor students in the 4 Keys to Academic Success to develop motivated, organised and prepared students through personalised strategies. “Academic success comes when students understand themselves, and are equipped with the right strategies to apply to their learning.”

Mr Darren Moore
P&F PRESIDENT

2017 P&F WELCOME PARTY

Thursday 23 February from 6.00pm to 8.00pm - College Hall Foyer

We will be welcoming all parents to the new school year, and looking to showcase the many offerings of BBC. Please RSVP here by Monday 20 February.

Ms Jennifer Sharp
BUSINESS MANAGER P&F ASSOCIATION

BBC TUCKSHOP

Late last year we commenced a review of the service provided by our Tuckshop. A survey of boys, parents and staff together informed us that change was required. We sought expert advice from a team of specialist paediatric dietitians and now have a plan to transform our Tuckshop over the coming year. As always we appreciate our loyal team of volunteers and always welcome new people who would like to be involved. There will now be more opportunities to be involved in preparing fresh meals, wraps and salads. If you would like to know more about volunteering in the

Tuckshop please contact Jennifer Sharp via jsharp@bbc.qld.edu.au
Ms Jennifer Sharp
BUSINESS MANAGER P&F ASSOCIATION

TUCKSHOP

Roster week commencing 13 February

Moday 13: Megan Feros, Danielle Murdoch, Mel Seeto
Tuesday 14: Ryl Gardner, Jasmin King
Wednesday 15: Tania Perina, Anita Allen
Thursday 16: Megan Pitcher, Anne Dixon, Fiona Deering
Friday 17: Aliani Danishekivius, Chanda Glynn, Julie McCagh, Kay Picking, Cathy Prest

Ms Barbara Harvey
TUCKSHOP CONVENOR
COLLEGE SHOP

Sports Uniforms

The College Shop stocks appropriate uniforms for all sports. By now everyone should have the required uniform for rowing, swimming and volleyball. All sizes are available via the shop.

- **Rowing** - zoot suit $95 - white cap $25 - long sleeve white shirt $50 (this season saw the introduction of the new white rowing cap to replace the towelling bucket hat)
- **Volleyball** – shirt $50 with PE short (these shirts have been available since first week of school)
- **Swimming** – black polo $49 – College swimmer - $35 – GPS swim cap - $15. We also stock a range of swimming goggles

Blazer fittings - compulsory uniform item

For all students who have not purchased a blazer additional assistance will be on hand for fittings from Monday 13 February in the College Shop. All students from Years 4 to 12 are required to have a blazer. While we do keep a range of sizes in stock if a size sells out or a special make is required we need to see you as soon as possible. The fitters from our suppliers will be here over the next two weeks. An appointment is not required - they will be here from 7.30am – 9.00am on our opening days from 13 February. If we have the correct size in stock you will be requested to purchase the item and if we don’t an order will be placed.

Blazers take up to 12 weeks to make, which is why it’s important we commence the process now in anticipation of compulsory blazer wearing in Term 2.

Books

We would like to thank our book distributors Campion at West End. Martine and her team of helpers have done a fantastic job. All orders that were received by Campion prior to 7 December were delivered complete and on time and in many instances packs were delivered early. We had one publisher who was late with a particular book (a new edition) and this has now been received. Having this end of year date ensures that BBC is given priority so that January deliveries can be finalised.

As we are one of many schools who utilise the service, we encourage all our families to order by the deadline for future purchases to ensure all books are delivered in a timely fashion.

Update details

Can I please remind parents who have arranged payment details with the College Shop to update any information if required.

Welcome and thank you

It’s been a busy but great start to 2017, it was really lovely to meet all of our new families and welcome them to BBC. A huge thank you to all of the volunteers in the College Shop who have assisted us during the busy times at both the end of year with the second hand book sale and the outfitting of new students and the start of this year. Your help is greatly appreciated not only by us but by the families of BBC.

We look forward to assisting students and families throughout the year.

Ms Lesley Ross
COLLEGE SHOP MANAGER

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. Please note the Year level event information for upcoming dates:

**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 Representative, 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
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
2017 Gymnastics Season Launch

BBC Gymnastics would like to invite all new and returning gymnasts and their families to the 2017 season launch.

Gymnastics provides boys with an opportunity to train consistently, become strong, fast and agile while learning new skills in a supportive environment - skills that so many wish they could do, but very few people can perform.

BBC Gymnastics continues to move from strength to strength and we look forward to welcoming new boys and returning gymnasts to the program who will play a critical role in helping us to achieve our goal of becoming the strongest performing program in GPS Gymnastics.

The 2017 season begins with the season launch and is for all students currently in Years 5 to 12 who are looking to train for the 2017 GPS Season and beyond. For those new to GPS Gymnastics; regular training is held each Monday and Wednesday from 3.00pm to 5.00pm, beginning Wednesday 1 March 2017 and concludes at the GPS Championships on 10 June 2017.

Event Details

Date: Wednesday 22 February
Time: 3.00pm - 5.00pm
Venue: BBC Gymnastics Hall
Tickets: Free event (BBQ supplied by the Gymnastics Support Group)
Dress: Boys are required to wear BBC PE uniform
RSVP: For catering purposes please RSVP by Monday 20 February to Gymnastics Coordinator, Ashley Druve via adruve@bbc.qld.edu.au

For more information please contact Gymnastics Coordinator, Ashley Druve on 3309 3601 or via adruve@bbc.qld.edu.au
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
TWILIGHT CONCERT 2017

WEDNESDAY 8 MARCH
6.30PM START
COLLEGE HALL

PERFORMANCES BY THE PIPE BAND, COLLEGE SYMPHONY, COLLEGE STRINGS, SYMPHONIC BAND, CAMERATA, COLLEGIANS AND BIG BAND

FREE TICKETED CONCERT
RESERVE YOUR SEAT VIA THE EVENTS PAGE ON THE BBC WEBSITE
REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE FROM 5.30PM FOR PURCHASE FROM THE MUSIC SUPPORT GROUP
BBC launches
Business Directory

The BBC community holds a wealth of knowledge and expertise. Connect with the BBC network via our Business Directory to promote your business or search for a product or service. Visit www.oldcollegians.com.au to find out more.

Free three month trail
When considering how to promote your business, consider the power of word of mouth marketing – studies show consumers are 92 percent more likely to trust peers over advertising when it comes to purchasing decisions. Advertising in the BBC Business directory can create new opportunities, generate referrals for your business and open the door to a new customer base.

Free 3 Month membership
$150 for a standard one year membership
THE ANNUAL SOMERVILLE HOUSE
GREAT DEBATE
the curtain-raiser for the Debating Year

Monday 13 February at 7.00pm
Level 5, VPAC, Somerville House

Topic:
That we regret 2016!

- Somerville House Senior A vs BBC Senior A
- Please bring at least two gold coins – Entry is by a gold coin donation. Concluding the debate buckets will be passed around for a gold coin ‘vote’ which will determine the Audience Choice winner
- All funds raised go to Women’s Legal Service
- The official adjudicator for the debate will be Judge Michael Rackemann, Queensland Supreme Court District Judge
- Parents and families of BBC and Somerville House are welcome to attend