On Tuesday 5th May we had the Year 6 Information Night for our school. We had a fantastic turnout and had to quickly run off more information booklets! Congratulations to Renee Strickland and Luke Gillmer who have been appointed Year 7 Student Advisors for 2016 and who spoke at the evening. Mr Gillmer made a short film presentation with our current Year 7 students, who spoke enthusiastically about the range of opportunities and experiences they have had since starting High School.

A big thank you also to Cassie Burt, our Head Teacher Secondary Studies, who spent a lot of time on the organization for the evening.

It was great to see so many of our students participate in the recent Athletics Carnival. Well done to all those who participated and tried their best. There was some exciting competition. Best of luck to those students who will be representing the school at Western Region.

It was wonderful to see a number of our Year 7 - 9 students having the opportunity to be involved in the Bathurst 200 celebrations. In particular, congratulations to the nine Year 9 Visual Design students who were successful in getting their works displayed in the PeopleScape art installation display at the courthouse.

Special thanks to Ms Wood who was their teacher and who spent a lot of time helping students with their displays. Ms Wood also spoke on behalf of all schools in Bathurst about the PeopleScape project at the opening of the Bathurst 200 celebrations.

Our Year 9 and 10 Textiles students also had the opportunity to attend the 200 years of women’s fashion exhibition at BMEC and our vocal group was part of the Bicentennial Combined Choir.

Congratulations to Olivia Pugh who was the winner of the Year 9 photography competition. Every term Mr Ferguson and Ms Maffesoni will be running a photography competition for their Year 9 photography students – to give them that extra incentive to improve their skills!
April School Holiday Japan Trip
We landed at Narita airport which is 1 hour away from Tokyo. We slowly struggled through customs, after our overnight flight, with a 30 minute wait in line. Once out of the airport, we found the famous Japanese vending machines and spent most of our money testing the unusual drinks and food. We then travelled to Tokyo by express train with excitement and anticipation.
We were not let down when we arrived. Tokyo is amazing! The streets are filled with shops, busy people and giant buildings. We arrived at our traditional inn, with tatami mats and rice paper walls. We visited many amazing shrines and shops and were blown away by the politeness of the Japanese people. Five of us even went to a Japanese baseball game in the Tokyo Dome which is a spectacular stadium.
Osaka is another huge city. This time we stayed in a less traditional skyscraper. By this time we started getting annoyed with the rainy weather and having to open our umbrellas every time we left the buildings or train station. Despite the apparently “Japanese Weather” we were still able to see some amazing shrines, temples and castles. This included the 15m tall Buddha inside the largest wooden building in the world. It is a world heritage site in Nara, the original capital of Japan.
Next we went to Iiyama where we experienced a country Japanese feel. We travelled there on the newest Japanese Shinkansen (bullet train) line which opened this March. In Iiyama we went to school, stayed with host families and enjoyed the snow. We went snow shoeing and had a massive snowball fight. We spent 3 days in school, where we introduced ourselves in Japanese, experienced Japanese classes and had a great time making a fool of ourselves trying to participate in their activities. We made chopsticks and traditional Japanese foods. Some of us got beaten up by little kids in Judo classes and we also had a Ninjitsu presentation by our Iiyama tour guide who is a Ninjitsu Master.
We went back to Tokyo to conclude our trip with a visit to the happiest place on earth, Toyo High and a unique pop – culture shopping centre.
A special thanks to Mrs Wolfe, Miss Strickland, Mr Harlor and Mr Liu for helping us navigate our way through maze-like train stations and on and off hundreds of crowded trains with only 1 or 2 nail biting moments. Thanks also for introducing us all to shabu shabu (our favourite meal), kotatsu (coffee table with built in heater and doona) and heated drinks in vending machines!
ARIGATOU!!
April School Holiday Japan Trip cont...
Year 11 Business Studies

“Virtual Business Simulation”

Year 11 Business Studies commenced competing in The Charles Sturt University Faculty of Business Online Business Simulation competition this week. The game provides students with the opportunity to build and operate their own ‘virtual’ business in a simulated market environment. The game complements the Stage 6 NSW Business Studies curriculum and covers key areas including Finance, Human Resource Management, Marketing and Operations. It enables students to learn through hands-on experience and encourages them to apply business principles to their own ‘virtual’ business. Students can be creative in their business development and will enjoy seeing their business grow through their work.

CSU Business- Game On allows student teams to play for the opportunity to win regional prizes for their school of up to $1,000 or the major prize of $2,500. At the end of the competition, all students will receive a certificate of participation. The Year 11 Students are competing in teams of 4 and are looking forward to seeing how they compare against other students from across NSW and realizing the broad challenges faced when running a business.
Western Region Drama Camp

The Western Region Drama Camp took place from Sunday 19th April to Wednesday 22nd April at Lake Burrendong Sport and Recreation Camp. This year there were eight Year 10 Drama students who accompanied Miss Burt to the camp including; Ella Purser, Holly Davis, Tyson Mendham, Hollie Rotherham, Breanna Davey, Bethany Osborne, Keira Mallard and Katie Jones. These students spent three days further developing their skills in Improvisation, Play building techniques, Physical Theatre, voice and moving from melodramatic performance styles towards emotional truth.

Working with tutors and other students from across the region, the students developed performance pieces to present to their parents at the end of the camp. These performances are currently being considered for Regional Drama Festival to be held in July.

The students represented our school impeccably and an enjoyable learning experience was had by all who attended. Well done guys!
**HSC Drama Workshop**

At the start of Term 2 HSC Drama students are allowed to start work on their Group Performance. One of the core components of the HSC drama course is students work as a collaborative group to develop their own original performance. Provided only with simple stimulus to start with, the groups brainstorm, develop, devise and refine an 8 to 12 minute performance that will be externally examined by HSC markers.

To kick start this process students from Bathurst High Campus, Kelso High Campus and Orange High School attended a group devising workshop with local theatre practitioner and CSU Theatre/Media lecturer Adam Deusien. As the co-founder and director of Physical Theatre company LinguaFranca, Adam focused on enhancing students’ physical movement as a stimulus for the devising process. Throughout the workshop students’ participated in exercises that focused their understanding and ability to utilise physicality and improvisation. Students explored the power of focus, physical response, spatial relationships, dynamic shapes and impulsive physicality as ways to approach their performance project.

It was amazing to see the dynamic skills developed by the students in a short 3 hour workshop. What a great skill set to gain before entering this collaborative devising process!
The first Denison College Theatresports Competition took place at Bathurst High Campus, Performing Arts Theatre on Thursday 30th April. Approximately 60 students from both Bathurst and Kelso High Campuses from Years 7 to 12 worked together throughout the day to develop their improvisational skills. The day began with a number of team building activities to allow the students to get to know each other and to become comfortable working in teams together. The competition rules stated that within each team there must be a combination of students from both campuses, age groups and groups that the students had not previously worked in. The students were involved in a variety of activities that tested their ability to listen to each other, accept and extend offers given and have lots of fun in the process. Activities included group storytelling, miming, working with given stimulus and a few improvisation favourites such as Typewriter, SpaceJump and Death in a Minute. The students involved in the competition presented themselves with confidence, sportsmanship and creativity. A fantastic experience for all involved and one that will definitely become a part of the annual drama calendar.
Central West HSC Enrichment Seminar Day
Charles Sturt University, Bathurst Campus
Tuesday, 16 June, 2015

Students are invited to attend the 2015 Central West HSC Enrichment Seminar Day which will be hosted by Denison College of Secondary Education at Charles Sturt University, Bathurst.

These seminar days have been held since 2007, and are continuing to evolve to meet the needs of Central West students.

The seminars will be presented by experienced Central West secondary teachers, many of whom have had significant experience in being HSC markers for their subject.

The cost for the day is $40.00. This represents excellent value when you consider the cost of even one hour’s tutoring.

For $40.00 students will receive:
- Bell Shakespeare presenting on The Tempest and Hamlet.
- 2 specialist English presenters: Jane Sherlock and Ben North, specialist Modern/Ancient History presenter Ken Webb; Specialist Mathematics presenter Morris Needleman.
- Future Moves presenting Time Management and Exam and Study Skills.
- Our core range of DEC presenters covering 20 HSC subjects.
- Lunch will be provided.
- 5 x 55 minute seminars. In each of these sessions students will have a choice of attending one of the subject specific seminars including a wide range of options for the compulsory English courses.
- Access to CSU representatives who will be available to speak to students during morning tea and lunch.
- Printed notes for each seminar and digital resources available online after the day.

Wendy Murphy and Sandra Chapman
Head Teachers Senior Studies
Denison College of Secondary Education
Central West HSC Enrichment Seminar Day Coordinators
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### Please note....

**P & C**

Bathurst High Campus P&C meets the 1st Wednesday of each month. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 3rd June in the staffroom at 7.30pm. Hope to see you there.
UNIFORM SHOP HAS MOVED….
We are now near the hall in Piper Street.
SHOP HOURS same: Tuesdays – 8.30am-11.30am, Thursdays – 1pm to 4pm
Shop will be closed 2nd and 4th June
Community Notices cont........

JOIN THE BEST HOCKEY CLUB IN BATHURST

The junior hockey competition starts at the beginning of the next month – and St Pats welcomes all comers. St Pats is a fabulous club with a long and strong tradition as a family club that has fostered the development of many State and Australian players over its history.

Club officials will assist with Online registrations and all the club merchandise is available for purchase at Training, Thursday afternoons 4-5pm at the Hockey Complex. Fees are kept low due to substantial sponsorship support. It is also worth noting that Junior Boys play on Friday nights, so weekends are not so disrupted.

Junior girls & Minkey play Saturday morning.

There’s a team for everyone as the club boasts teams in every junior and senior grade, from Minkey to Vets.

PLEASE CONTACT CLUB DELEGATES OF YOU REQUIRE ANY FURTHER INFORMATION.

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PARENTING TEENAGERS

Veritas House will be conducting the popular
Teen Triple P parenting program again soon.

Bring the joy back into parenting
and solve problems such as,

Over use of technology
Resistance to school
No help around the house

The program is free and begins on Tuesday 2 June 2015
Morning or evening sessions available.

Please ring Graham Palmer on 6332 2277 for more information and to reserve a place.

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G’DAY USA 2017 SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

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Tour Highlights include:
- Disneyland
- Universal Studios
- Knott’s Berry Farm
- San Diego
- San Francisco
- Stay with a host sister or brother
- Visit an American High School

Join a community group of students from the Bathurst region, travelling for 20 days during the January school holidays.

The G’Day USA Program provides students with the opportunity to live with an American Host Family for ten days and experience daily life and school in the United States of America. The tour itinerary also includes four fun-filled days in Los Angeles and three days exploring scenic San Francisco. Students travel as part of a supervised group with experienced group leader teachers from schools in the Bathurst area. Representatives from EWT will be located in the hotels and host city.

Register your interest for the upcoming parent information evening. Date TBC.

To find out more contact: Kristy Scott – 0448 909 080
Visit: www.ewt.com.au Email: info@ewt.com.au
This is a great opportunity for any students who are interested in a career within any of the Emergency Services to attend and gain some insight into the roles performed by each service and obtain further information in relation to future career opportunities. If you would like further information could you please contact A/Inspector Leanne Walsh at Bathurst Police Station on 02 63328699 or via email at wals2lea@police.nsw.gov.au