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BROOKTON DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER EDITION 17

### Under our noses, there are tonnes Of Coloured Roses ......







The school has come alive with the fruits of our gardeners labour. Well done Paul. We have tonnes and tonnes of glorious roses, right underneath our collective noses. Do yourself a favour and visit our school to be witness to this beautiful display of colour. And if it happens to be during school hours, please drive slow and look out for our

little ones.



### Wheatbelt Ball

Our high school students are invited to the Wheatbelt Ball in York on Friday, November 22nd, with a fun Barbie theme. It promises to be an exciting evening, so stay tuned for photos from this memorable event.

# Focus on Kindy Orientation

Carolyn Watts our inspirational Kindy teacher will be running the BDHS kindy orientation over two days this term. Save the date.

- Wed 6th November
- Wed 13 November

### **Principals Address**

Public School Review - We are delighted to announce that Brookton District High School has received a 3 year turn around in all 6 domains in our recent Public School Review. This outstanding result is a testament to the unwavering dedication and commitment of our staff to continuous improvement and a student-centred approach in everything we do. Congratulations to our entire team for this achievement!

New Business Plan - Please note that Monday, November 4th, will be a Pupil Free Day. Our staff will convene to develop our new Business Plan for 2025-2027. During this time, we will conduct a thorough analysis of data to identify key targets and strategies for the upcoming cycle. Additionally, the School Board will meet on October 30th to discuss and develop further targets and strategies to be included in the new plan.

Assembly - Join us for our final assembly of the year, hosted by the Student Council, on Thursday, November 7th, at 8:50 AM. They have prepared an entertaining short play that you won't want to miss! We warmly welcome members of the public to attend, and families of student councillors are invited to a reading morning tea in the library following the assembly.

**Swimming Lessons -** We extend our heartfelt congratulations to our School Board and the wider community for their successful advocacy for a full program of In-term swimming lessons in Brookton this year. Swimming lessons will begin on December 2nd for students from Pre-Primary to Year 7.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to our school community.

#### **Focus on Ashan Alwis**

Ashan has almost completed his second year teaching here at BDHS. He teaches Science and Technology across all age groups as well as Maths and additional options in the high school. Ashan comes to us with a Bachelor of Engineering (UWA), Bachelor of Law (UWA) and a Masters of Primary Teaching (Curtain). Throughout his second degree Ashan volunteered through the Teach, Learn, Grow program introducing him to teaching in rural WA as well as meeting our very own Donelle Fox. So after completing his studies in Education, and when he saw a job opportunity here in Brookton with his old friend Donelle he decided to apply.

Ashan recently attended the 2 night, high school WYBM camp in the Swan Valley which was a highlight of his career so far. The opportunities presented to our very own students on this camp were amazing and the benefits our students took away continue to show.

In his spare time Ashan is quite the AFL Fantasy player, he watches lots of footy and he is extremely proud of his AFL Fantasy white hat #97. You often find Ashan in Perth enjoying the city life with his partner Tash who is a nurse at the Royal Perth Hospital. He loves a good card game and will take on any opponent in a range of board games. He is a valuable member of the School Board here at BDHS and his favourite week of the year is SCIENCE WEEK!