



Monday 19th June 2017

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Benalla P-12 College Newsletter

Principal-Barbara O'Brien



Dear Families,

Parent Forum

I would like to invite all members of our College community to a Parent Forum on Thursday 22nd June. This will be held in our Year 9 Centre at the Faithfull Campus. The forum will commence at 5.30pm and is expected to conclude at 6:30pm.

The forum will allow for open discussion where parents/guardians etc will have the opportunity to ask questions and offer suggestions. Listed below are some of the topics that the forum may focus on:

- Cyber safety
- Building project,
- Extra-curricular activities,
- Student reporting process,
- Communication,
- Parent involvement,



We value your opinion and seek your input and hope to see as many parents and guardians there on the night.

Light refreshments and babysitting is available on the evening. For catering and babysitting purposes RSVP to Faithfull Office on 57612746.

Staffing

Best wishes to **Asia Kosowski** who is leaving our College to move back to Melbourne. I would like to sincerely thank Asia for the wonderful work she has done with our students in art over the past 2 ½ years. Her creativity and encouragement to the students has inspired them to produce some excellent work. I would like to wish her the very best for the future, I know our students will miss her greatly.



Student Reports

This year parents of students in Years 5 to 9 are able to access progressive reports about their student's learning in all subject areas by logging onto the Parent Portal on our school management system known as Sentral. These are ongoing throughout the year and can therefore be accessed any time. Information about this has already gone home to parents of students in these year levels.

Parents of students in Foundation to 4 and Years 10 to 12 will receive a Mid-Year Report that provides them with accurate information about your child/children's progress. These Reports identify the progress your child has made over the past 6 months. Mid-Year Student reports will go home on **Friday 30th June**.

In all Student Reports, whether progressive throughout the term or Mid-Year, the teachers' comments give you information about your child's academic progress in each area as well as their attitude towards learning and their work. Both of these reports are an important part of the student reporting process applied in our College.

SayembaraLisan Competition

Congratulations to the following students who achieved awards in the 2017 State Sayembara Lisan competition held in Melbourne. Years F-12 2nd Place Kazada Kadima, 3rd Place Sophie Winkler. Years 3-4 3rd Place Jayhe-Lee Quattrocchi, Years 5-6 3rd Place Ryley Ely. Year 7 continuing 3rd Place Evelyn Biddle. Year 8 continuing Ankur Singh and Year 10 3rd Place Willow Plex.

Head start

Semester 2 commences for students and staff in Years 7 to 12 today. This means that some students will have a completely new timetable while others will have some changes to their timetable. If you and your child are unsure about their new timetable they can contact the sub-school at either the Faithfull St Campus or the Barkly St Campus.

College Activities

Once again our students participated in a range of learning activities and extra-curricular activities last week. The VCE students sat their GAT (General Assessment Test) as part of their VCE studies last Wednesday, while the Year 8 Outdoor Education students participated in their survival camp on Thursday and Friday. The Year 1 students enjoyed an Active Afternoon after school on Thursday. It is great to see our students enjoy a range of activities planned for them.

End of Term Dismissal

The last day of term is Friday 30th June. Students on **all** Campuses will be dismissed from school at **2:30pm**. School will resume for Term 3 on **Monday 17th July**.

Best wishes for the week ahead

Barbara O'Brien

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Fun, Fun, Fun at Avon Street Active Arvo

On Thursday 15th June all of our Year 1 students were invited to attend a fun "Active Arvo" from 3.10pm until 4.30pm. All who attended had such a fantastic time! We played different games with the parachute outside in the sun and also various group games inside as well as shared some of our favourite board games from home. Thank you to all of the students and families who made this such a successful afternoon.



Students of the Week



Congratulations Hayley, Aria, Talydia, Evalee, Shay, Sophie, Logan and Lashaya.



Waller
Witches visit
Avon St Campus!



Golden Shovel Awards



Congratulations : Ayden, Oscar, Sam, Bella, Sharni, Matilda, Jayden

Students of the week



Congratulations Keely, Koren, Stephanie, Jet Bronwyn, shakira, Arli & Bill

Congratulations to Torah who has borrowed and returned 50 books from the library. She is pictured with this weeks special visitors, two sumo wrestlers.



Congratulations to the above students who received their Cross Country Certificates.

VISITORS AT WALLER STREET ASSEMBLIES

All through Term 2, there have been different special guests who have visited our Waller Street Assembly. Dinosaurs came one Monday morning, then a couple of weeks later Tigger and Eeyore popped in. Then last week, two witches arrived out of the blue. We think that these visitors look a lot like Bron and a lot like Sharyn from the Library!!!!!! Every time they visit, they bring along books from the library and they encourage us to borrow them to find out more about lots of different things. The witches asked everyone to make up a witches brew – and soon Sharyn had nearly a hundred different recipes to hang around the library. The witches came back yesterday, and handed out a magic brew for everyone to try out. We love having these special visitors and we think that our library is awesome!!!!!! Thankyou Sharyn and Bron!!! You're HILARIOUS!!!!!!



Melbourne Zoo Trip

On Wednesday 7th June Year 7 travelled to Melbourne Zoo as part of their endangered species unit. Students participated in the Save Our Species workshops and discussed threats to endangered species and the way in which we can help to reduce these impacts. Students also had to choose an endangered animal that they would speak up for.

It was a great day for all involved. A big thankyou to all of the staff who went down on the day as well as Ben Hall who came down as a parent helper.



Year 9 Outdoor Education Mount Samaria Hiking Trip

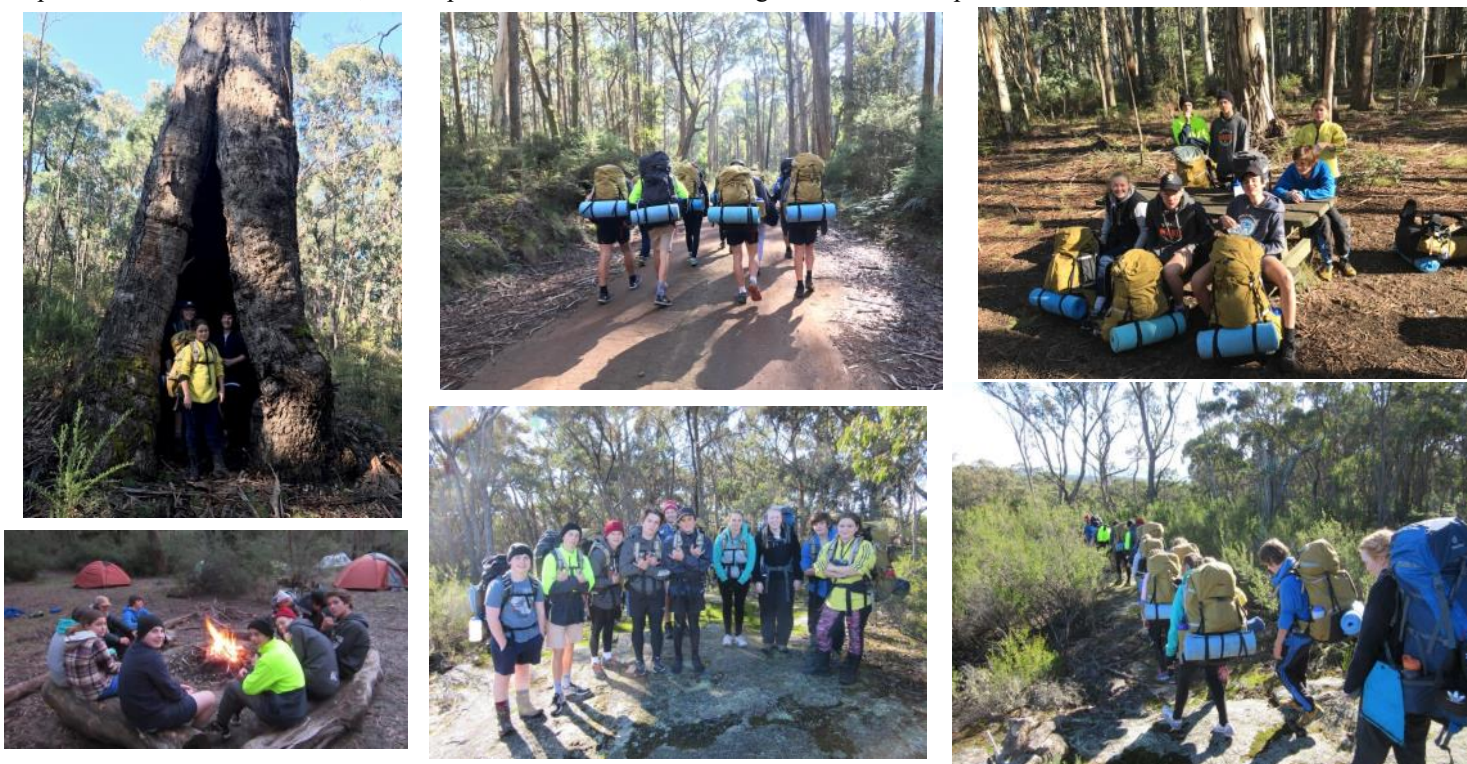
On Thursday the 1st of June the year 9 Outdoors class headed off to Mount Samaria State Park to begin their hiking trip, with a focus on the value of Parks within Victoria.

The class started their hike from Spring Creek Sawmill, this was the beginning of a fairly difficult hike up and down several hills. Students eventually reached the summit, where they were rewarded with beautiful views, from Lake Nillahcootie to Benalla and beyond, and snow-capped mountains in the distance. After having a hard-earned rest and lunch stop at the summit, students returned down the mountain via a steep, slippery track, which we were all thankful that we were walking down it and not up it.

The Thursday night saw us warm up by the campfire, sharing stories and roasting marshmallows. We also played a spotlight game against a neighbouring school, which really lifted our spirits!

The night was very cold, however with no rain or wind the class could not complain. After the first day's walk, some students were not as excited for Friday's walk, but as the hard yards were done on the first day, everyone found the second day much easier. After packing up our camp in the morning, we took a short detour down to Wild Dog Creek Falls, where we were greeted by a beautiful waterfall and an even better view. We finished off back at Spring Creek Sawmill, where we looked at the Old Kilns and learnt about the history of the park.

Overall, everyone had a brilliant trip, although we were all looking forward to going home to a well-deserved rest and a hot shower! Special thanks to Miss Felstead, Mr Mcpherson and Kieran for their guidance on the trip.



Ovens & Mitta Division Cross Country

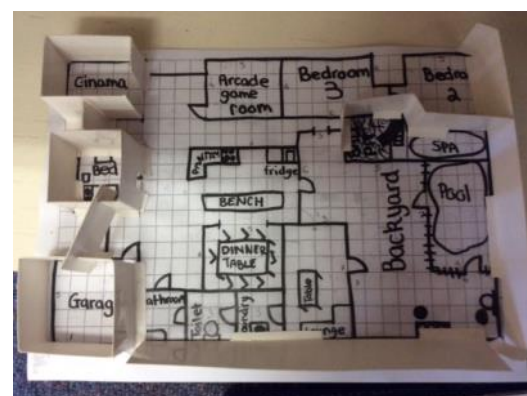
What a great day for a Cross Country event! Qualifying Benalla P-12 College students from Years 4-6 competed against other students in our Division on Thursday 8th June. We had 28 students compete on the day and they all did a great job. Most finishing in the top half of their age group which is fantastic given there were up to 120 students racing in some age groups. The following students have qualified to compete at the Region Cross Country event on 21st June: Mackenzie Bickerdike, Cohen Symes and Kayla Gracie. Congratulations and we wish them all the best.



5/6 A News

The students of class 5/6 A have been working on several interesting projects and work pieces this week. Among them is the dream house project, where students plan, build, calculate the perimeter and area and the cost of paint, floor coverings and furniture with a scale model of their dream house. An all campus activity is the kangaroo project, the students have to put together a poster or slideshow explaining the main features and adaptations of Kangaroos.

Written by Ebony Armstrong



Students of the Term

Pictured right are our Year 5/6 students of the term - Liam Hopgood, Ebony Armstrong, Lincoln Terry, Rachel Fowles, Lincoln Campbell, Jude Ballantyne, Zoe Horsfold, Hannah Brain, Georgie Morrison.



Pictured above are Year 7 students of the term - Back Row L-R: Samantha Parker, Evelyn Biddle, Jayde James, Georgia Nichols, Ewan McGinn, Clayton Morgan, Matthew Johnston Front Row L-R: Lachlan Hupe, Star Beavis, Charlie McCarthy, Nathan Winton, Zoe Grundy



Pictured above are Year 8 students of the term - Front left to right Ankur Singh, Tiger Lynch, Sara Green, Clare Still, Madison Stovell, Jessica Patterson Back row left to right Perry Plex, Andre Mclean-Franklin, Alex Dowe, Meagan Webster, Molly Ferwerda, Eshaya Rhodes-Orton, Casey Stovell, Cheyane Vaughan.

100% Attendance



Pictured right are Year 9 students of the term - Left to Right: Daniel Gillespie, Darcie Cameron, Mikayla Brown, Rhianna London and Daniel Mcfadzean



every day counts 

In Years 7-10, students miss on average almost **a week every term** - that's **four weeks** of school per year.

2, 4, 6, 8
Come to School
Don't be late
because
EVERY DAY COUNTS

Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education.

For more information and resources to help address attendance issues, visit: education.vic.gov.au



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University Tours

On Wednesday 7 June a group of Year 10, 11 and 12 students took a trip to Melbourne, these students were split into two groups and were able to visit two of four amazing universities. Students were able to visit the Deakin Burwood Campus and Monash Clayton campus, or the Latrobe Bundoora Campus and the RMIT Melbourne campus.

Students were guided through tours of the universities, and shown all the exciting things that Tertiary Education has to offer. They were shown the campus facilities and were told about university life; making friends, expanding social networks, learning about what you love, having fun and getting out of your comfort zone. The students were excited to see former Benalla P-12 College students as their tour guides and able to ask them questions about life after high school. Students were able to see the on campus accommodations and enquire about the many scholarships available at the universities to help them get a head start in the next level of their education.

We returned to Benalla around 8pm with a bus load of very tired students who had a renewed excitement for the next stretch of their journey to higher education.

Written by
Alysha Hocking

VCAL-Personal Development

As part of my VCAL Personal Development project, I am creating a sporting honour board celebrating staff and students from Benalla College and Benalla P-12 College (1994-present) who have competed in state, national or international level sport. I am seeking names and details of staff and students from the College who have achieved this. If you have any information please contact me at stubbs.andrew@benallap-12college.vic.edu.au

Andrew Stubbs
Year 12

Footy Colours Day-Faithfull

The Faithfull Campus SLG are holding a Footy Colours Day on Friday 23rd June to raise money for projects to be run by the SLG this year. Come dressed in the colours of your favourite team from any sport and participate in competitions at lunchtime on the day such as a handball competition, half-court shootout and longest kick. There will be prizes for each competition and house points up for grabs for participants.

Pies and Milo will also be available on the day. Pies need to be pre-ordered through the front office for \$2 each and hot milo can be purchased on the day for \$1. Gold coin donation for out of uniform.





All students completing a VCE or VET Unit 3/4 subject sat the General Achievement Test (GAT) on Wednesday 14 June. The GAT is a test of general knowledge and skills in:

- written communication
- mathematics, science and technology
- humanities, the arts and social sciences.

Although GAT results do not count directly towards a student's VCE results, they play an important role in checking that school-based and external assessments have been accurately assessed, and in calculating Derived Examination Scores. The GAT is used in these ways because achievement on the GAT is a good predictor of achievement on other assessments.



Meningococcal ACWY School Immunisation Program: Benalla P-12 College

A School immunisation program is being conducted on the Barkly Campus on **Thursday 29th June 2017** for **Year 10, Year 11 and 12** students to administer the Meningococcal ACWY vaccine.

As you may be aware, the Victorian government recently announced that "a one year free school-based vaccination program for Meningococcal W for 15 to 19 year olds will commence in Term Two of the 2017 school year". This means that we will be shortly be offering a school based program to students in Year 10, 11 and 12.

Background

Invasive Meningococcal Disease (IMD) is caused by the bacteria *Neisseria meningitidis*. Approximately 10 per cent of the population are asymptomatic carriers of meningococcal bacteria in the upper respiratory tract, however IMD can occur in a small number of people. Five serogroups of meningococcal bacteria (A, B, C, W and Y) account for most cases of IMD. Serogroup C cases have declined significantly since 2003 when the meningococcal C vaccine was added to the National Immunisation Program. Until recently, serogroup B was the most common cause of IMD in Victoria, with meningococcal serogroups A, W and Y less common in Victoria, despite being more common overseas.

Since January 2014, an increase in notifications of IMD due to serogroup W in Victoria has been observed. A total of 48 cases of serogroup W disease were notified in 2016, compared with 17 cases in 2015, and four cases in 2014. Rates of disease have been highest in older adults aged over 50 years, adolescents and young adults aged 15-24 years, and infants and young children aged under 5 years.

Older adolescents are the focus of the 4VMenCV program based on the recommendations of national immunisation experts as they are at increased risk of meningococcal disease and are also most likely to spread the disease to others. This is due to social behaviours that result in the disease being transmitted through close physical contact, such as frequent kissing, nightclub attendance, living in residential colleges, smoking and participation in other social activities that involve physical closeness.

What parents need to do

Consent cards will be sent home shortly. Please read all information on the card and then complete and sign the relevant section of the consent card for your child. Please return the consent card, to school even if you do not want your child to be vaccinated.

Please ensure that your child is wearing their short sleeved school uniform shirt under their school jumper on the day of vaccinations (without too many layers underneath), as this will enable a smooth vaccination process.

If you have any enquiries about the program or your child's vaccinations, please contact Wodonga Council's Immunisation Team on 1800 655 360.

Term 2 Tuesday 18th April-Friday 30th June

June 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Head Start commences for Year 7-12 students * Year 9B & C -Careers/Polish Program Workshop * Musical Viva "Amanaska"-10.00am Avon St, -11.30am Faithfull St, & 2.10pm Waller St
June 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Year 9A&D -Careers/Polish Program Workshop
June 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Year 3-12 Hume Cross Country * Foundation Information Evening for 2018 families- Waller Street Campus 6.00-6.30pm
June 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Visit from Monash University-Barkly St Campus during lunchtime * Parent Forum-Year 9 Centre-Faithfull Street -5.30-6.30pm
June 27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Year 5/6 Ovens & Mitta Winter Sports Day-Wangaratta
June 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Indonesian Immersion Day-Mansfield College * Foundation Information Evening for 2018 families- Avon Street Campus 6.00-6.30pm
June 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Years 10,11& 12 Meningococcal Immunisations * Year 2 Sleepover-Avon & Waller St Campus
June 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Avon St Campus End of Term Assembly 9.00am * Waller St Campus End of Term Assembly 1.30pm



Benalla P-12 Uniform Shop

Faithfull Street Campus Sports Hall

Open Days

- * Wednesday 19th July 3.00-6.00pm
- * Wednesday 23rd August 3.00-5.00pm
- * Wednesday 11th October 3.00-5.00pm

Wednesday 22nd November (Foundation intake and last uniform shop day for the year 10.00-5.00pm)

We are here to help. Call Judds Yarrawonga on 5744 1269 for any further details



Friday 25th and Saturday 26th August 2017
BPACC

Seussical Production Rehearsals
Rehearsals for our upcoming Production
Seussical will start this Wednesday 13th June 2017 at lunchtime. All welcome

Faithfull Street Campus
Wednesdays- lunchtime – Years 5-9
Fridays- 3.10pm - 4.30pm Years 7-12

Barkly Street Campus
Fridays lunchtime – Years 10-12 in the Theatre



School success starts with attendance



VACATION CARE – BOOKINGS TAKEN NOW

I would like to book for Vacation Care at: Avon Campus Waller Campus
 My children currently attends school at: _____
 Contact number: _____ Email Address: _____

Bookings are now being taken for the July 2017 program. Please note that we have a limit on the number of bookings for each day. If some days are booked out, your child will be placed on a waiting list. Standard charges will occur for any cancellations less than 24 hours before the day of care.

If you would like your child/children to attend, please complete the following booking form and return to the office by Friday 30th June 2017.

Bookings only accepted from families who have up to date payments on their accounts for previous care. Full payment for 2017 After School Care and Vacation care needs to be made prior to bookings being made.

Childs / Children's Name _____ Grade: _____

Childs / Children's Name _____ Grade: _____

2017		Please tick			Please tick
<u>Monday 3rd July</u>	FUN WITH WOOL No extra charge			Mon 10th July WINTER COOKING DAY \$2 extra	
<u>Tues 4th July</u>	BPACC Movies 14.50 extra			Tue 11th July SHEPPARTON AQUAMOVES 10 Pin Bowls \$15 Extra	
Wed 5th July	BLUEARTH PRO-GRAM \$2 extra			Wed 12th July PJ and Yoga No extra charge	
Thur 6th July	NAIDOC Week Gymnastic \$2extra for gym			Thur 13th July Sculpture Jumper Characters No extra charge	
Frid 7th July	POLICE VISIT Paula Allen No extra			Frid 14th July BPACC Movies 14.50 extra	

OPTIONAL Early Drop Off Time – Bookings Required

Families now have the option for an early drop off time by request. Bookings in writing are required for children to be dropped off between 6.45am to 8.30am. Cost for an early drop off is \$10 per morning. Child Care Benefit applies to these times. Staffing will only be provided prior to 8.30am for confirmed bookings in writing.

Yes, I require an early drop off, at an additional cost of \$10 per child per day. YES/NO ☐

Drop off time required: _____ AM

Avon Campus: 0428 014 133

Waller Campus: 0407 715 660

Enquiries please email: hanrahan.anne.e@edumail.vic.gov.au or phone Anne on Fridays at Waller 5762 2600

Freeza Summits 2017

The Push are jumping in the bus and heading across Victoria these July school holidays for the 2017 Freeza Summits – a series of free music industry training workshops for young people.

Over three days, The Push will be teaming up with a bunch of industry professionals to deliver tailored sessions, advice and information for young people interested in pursuing a career within the music, events or wider arts industries.

The 2017 Freeza Summits include sessions on:

- Social Media and Facebook Advertising
- Booking Agents and Artist Offers
- Effective Event Artwork and Visual Design
- Industry Panel Event Pitch Workshop
- Live performance by Bec Sandridge

The 2017 Freeza Summits are free for all young people, aged 12-25 and include lunch.

Tuesday 4 July

Ballarat Regional Soccer Facility, Ballarat

Wednesday 5 July

Benalla Drill Hall Community Activity Centre, Benalla

Friday 14 July

The Push Pop Up Shop @ Collarts, Fitzroy

To register for the 2017 Freeza Summits complete an online application form [here](#).

For more information contact The Push on 03 9380 1277 or email push@thepush.com.au



2017 REGIONAL CLINICS

*This season, Telstra and the Melbourne Vixens would like to invite you to attend our **FREE** clinics throughout regional Victoria.*

We're looking for a mix of girls and boys, aged between 11 and 16 to join us in May and June.

SALE	Monday 8 May	Gippsland Regional Sports Complex	4:30–6:30pm
GEELONG	Tuesday 30 May	Geelong Basketball Netball Centre	4:00–6:00pm
BALLARAT	Thursday 1 June	Ballarat Netball Association	4:00–6:00pm
ALBURY	Thursday 8 June	Albury Netball Association	4:30–6:30pm
BENALLA	Thursday 22 June	Benalla Netball Association	4:30–6:30pm

To secure a spot, head to the Netball Victoria website to register now.



vic.netball.com.au



Celebrating NAIDOC Week in Benalla

Events and activities celebrating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history and culture.

10.30am to 12.30pm Thursday 6 July.

Bookings essential. Phone the Benalla Library on 03 5762 2069.



www.benalla.vic.gov.au

Sir Edward "Weary" Dunlop Learning Centre, 2 Fawckner Drive, Benalla

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Our Languages Matter
2-9 JULY 2017