



# Benalla P-12 College Newsletter

Principal-Barbara O'Brien



Dear Families,

## **Congratulations Willow Plex**

We are very proud of the outstanding writing skills of Willow Plex whose story **"A Journey of Selflessness, Love and Roads"** was rated in the top 10 entrants in the La Trobe University's Young Writer's Award competition 2017. Willow and her family attended the awards evening last Tuesday in Melbourne. Congratulations Willow this is a wonderful achievement.



## **Building Tender – Stage 1**

Last Friday I met with the managers of **Crow Construction** from Shepparton who are the successful tenders for Stage 1 of our building projects. They will commence construction by the end of November.

### **Stage 1 includes:**

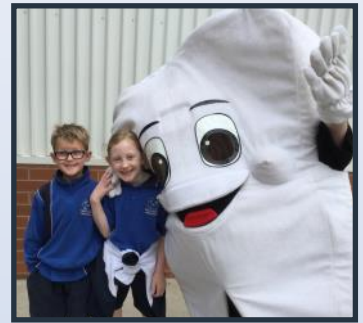
- The Years 10 to 12 Learning Hub
- A new state of the art Trade Skills wing
- Refurbishment of the Avon Campus to provide an attractive and pleasant atmosphere where students are nurtured and cared for
- Some minor refurbishment to the Gymnasium on Faithfull St to include facilities for a fitness gymnasium and cardio area.

## **Repairing the Swimming Pool**

There are areas of the school's swimming pool that require repairing. During the summer holidays the pool will undergo significant repairs to restore it back to peak condition. This will provide our students with an excellent facility for our Middle Years swimming programs.

## **Smiles on Site**

Over the next few weeks the Dental Van, **"Smiles on Site"** will be present on the Faithfull St, Waller St and Avon St Campuses to provide a service for our students. Information will be sent home to families in the near future. Students can have a free check-up, while scale and cleans will be bulk billed and any further work can be done up to \$1000. More information can be found on page 7.



## **Students leaving the school grounds**

I would like to remind parents and carers that students are not allowed to leave the school premises without proper authorisation. Some students have been leaving the Faithfull Campus to go to the corner shop. We have a duty of care to all students and we cannot ensure their safety when they leave the school grounds without permission. Consequences will apply to students who continue to breach this rule. Kelly Freeman has recently been appointed to run the school canteen on the Faithfull St Campus. Kelly has created a new menu to accommodate students' needs. We appreciate parents and guardians supporting our school on this issue.

## **Student Enrolments for 2018**

We are currently planning for 2018. This involves allocating staff to grades and subjects. If you know of any families considering enrolling their child/children in our college next year please inform them that we are now taking enrolments in all year levels.

Best wishes for the week ahead,

Barbara O'Brien

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(Prep-Yr 4)  
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**Attendance Hotline**  
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**Faithfull St Campus**  
(Yr 5-9)  
Ph: (03) 5761 2777  
Fax: (03) 5762 4076  
**Attendance Hotline**  
5761 2747

**Barkly St Campus**  
(Yr 10-12)  
Ph: (03) 5761 2888  
Fax: (03) 5762 5276  
**Attendance Hotline**  
5761 2810

## Term 4 Dates: 9th October-22nd December

November 7	* Melbourne Cup-Public Holiday
November 9	* Year 9 Community Program –Benalla festival assistance
November 10	* Year 9 Melbourne Excursion-Arts Connect 9 * Waller Street Year 4 transition –9.30-11.30am * Kinder transition 9.00-11.00am
November 13	* Year 9 OED Mount Samaria overnight Camp
November 16	* End of year Instrumental Music Concert 7.30pm PAC Faithfull St
November 17	* Kinder transition 9.00-11.00am * Waller Street Year 4 transition –9.30-11.30am
November 20	* Year 10/11 Exams commence `
November 21	* Year 8 OED canoeing –Benalla Lake
November 22	* Year 9 Transition visit to Barkly campus * Uniform shop Open –Faithfull St Campus
November 23	* White Ribbon March * Rotary Young Achievers Awards



### PLEASE NOTE

Dear parents/ guardians,

We would like to ask for your co-operation in this important matter.

One of the students at Benalla P-12 College Faithfull Street campus is receiving medical treatment, which puts them at risk if they develop chicken pox, measles or other infections as their immune system is low. The risk for this student can be reduced by receiving a special injection as soon as possible after coming into contact with these illnesses.

It is very important therefore, that you notify us immediately if your child develops chicken pox or measles, so that the student at risk receives the protective injection at the earliest opportunity. This protection lasts for only a few weeks, and must be repeated every time the student comes into contact with these illnesses.

Your child is at no risk whatsoever from this situation. However, the health and wellbeing of one of their classmates does depend on your help and cooperation.

**Please call and notify the office staff of any illnesses your child has as soon as possible on (03) 5761 2777.**

With many thanks,  
Benalla P-12 College



### We are now taking 2018 PREP ENROLMENTS!

Do you or a friend have a younger child due to start school next year? Please contact our Avon or Waller Street Campus office to collect an Enrolment Form or book a School Tour.

**Avon St Campus: 5762 1646**  
**Waller St Campus: 5762 2600**





# ★ YEAR 3 / 4 MAJOR ★



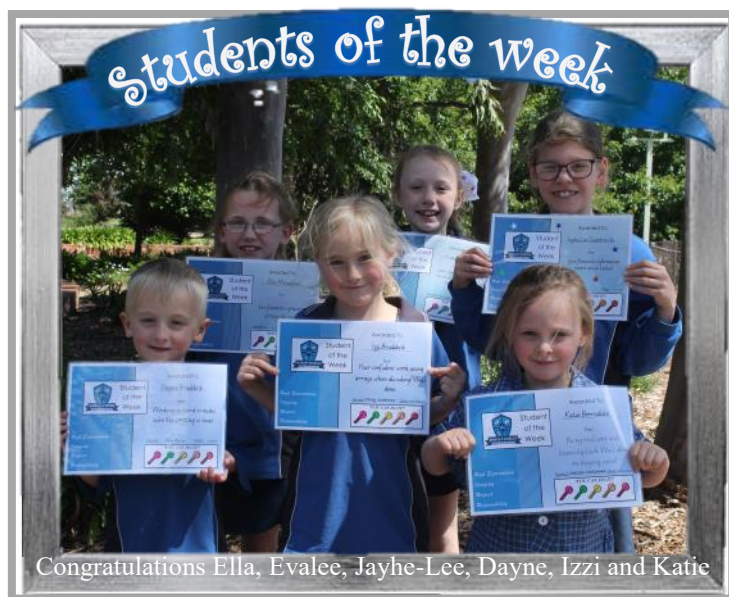
All students have enjoyed creating their 3 dimensional planet out of paper mache. We have further researched key facts about the planet in our solar system.



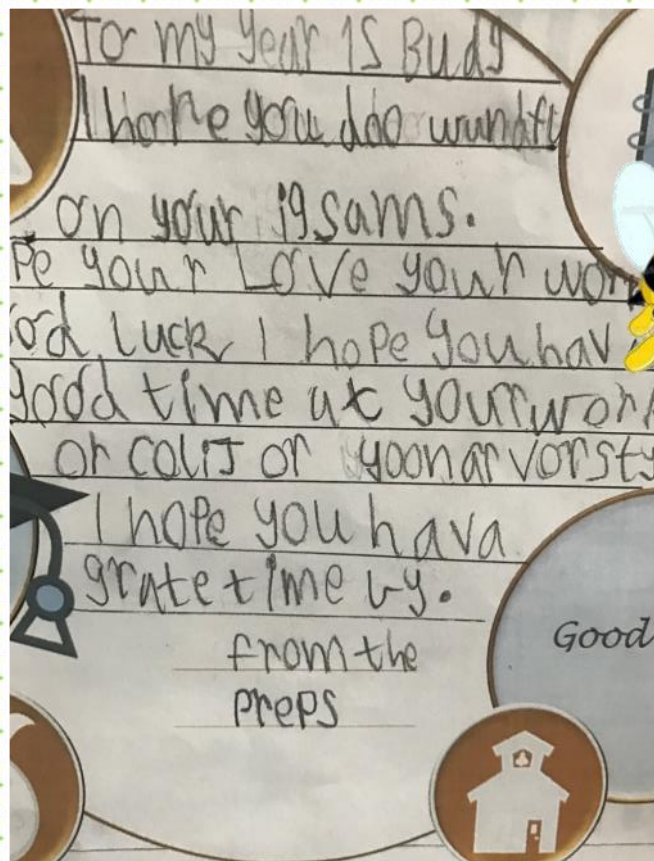
To my Year 12 buddy  
I hope you do wonderful on your exams. I hope you love your work. Good luck I hope you have a good time at your work or college or university. I hope you have great time.  
By Penny Rando



Skylah and Evalee were delighted with the hatching of three little chickens last week. The girls do an amazing job with feeding and attending to the extra needs of our little red hen who patiently sat on her egg for approximately 21 days.



Congratulations Ella, Evalee, Jayhe-Lee, Dayne, Izzi and Katie



## COLOURING COMPETITION



Pictured above are our awardees from the Benalla Show—  
Northeast Poultry Association Colouring Competition. Congratulations to all :)



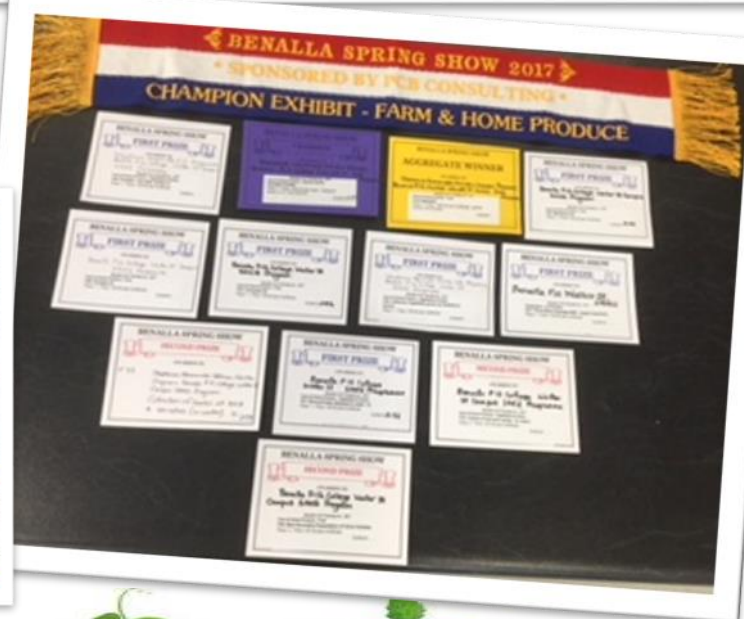
# Benalla Show Green Thumbs Success

During the recent Benalla Show, the Waller St Campus Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program entered several different exhibits in the fruit and vegetable sections, with fantastic results.

We entered items in the citrus and fruit categories, mixed vegetables, herbs and flowers.

Our exhibits earned three 2<sup>nd</sup> places, seven 1<sup>st</sup> placings and the aggregate winner in the fruit section. These fantastic results meant that we also awarded the Champion Exhibit in the Farm & Home Produce and collected prize money of \$95. This prize money will be used to purchase several new mature fruit trees for our garden.

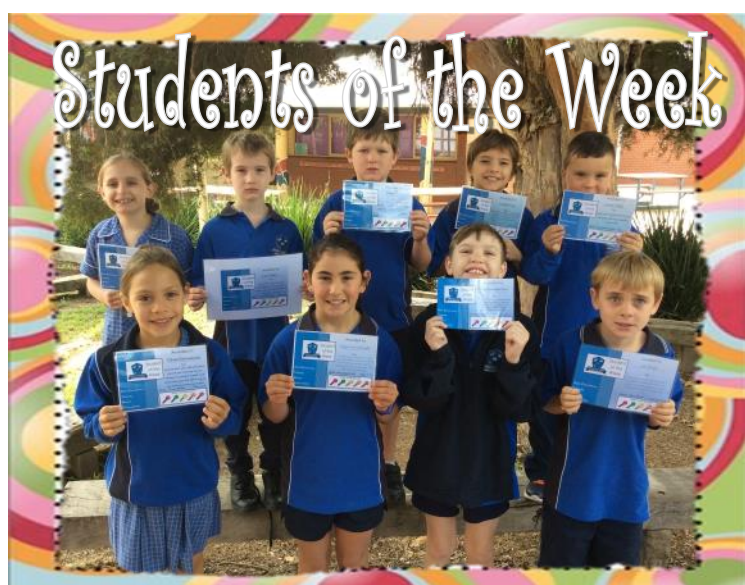
Congratulations to Amanda Grimwade and all the grade 3&4 students from Waller St, for their hard work in our garden and for the fantastic produce they have grown.







This weeks golden shovel winners were Maddy, Robert, Dean, Tamzin, Lilly & Keely



Back: Willow, Lucas, Jackson, Camden, Lucien, Athena, Tamzin, Murray & Jake



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](http://education.vic.gov.au)



Department of Education and Early Childhood Development



## Faithfull St Breakfast Club News



A huge thanks to the Anglican Parish of Benalla for donating funds to purchase this colourful, café style furniture for our Faithfull Campus Breakfast Club, it looks great. Breakfast Club is open every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday morning from 8.30am offering a delicious range of food for breakfast to all Faithfull Campus students. We also welcome Jessica Mobourne and Robyn Marshall to our friendly group of community volunteers which also includes Father David Still and Christine Challman. Breakfast Club is a great way to start the day, so come along and join in!





## State Athletics

On Monday the 23rd of October Jamie Dunne and Emily Neilson represented Benalla P-12 College at the School Sports Victoria State Athletics at Lakeside Stadium, Albert Park. Jamie and Emily were fantastic sports and found the competition a big step up from Hume Region Athletics. Jamie finished 4th for Shot Put and Emily came 7th in Triple Jump. Both students walked away better for the experience and grateful for the opportunity from competing at this level. Jamie and Emily should be extremely proud of their efforts from our School Athletics Carnival through to representing our College at the State level, it is a wonderful achievement and one they will hold on to for years to come.

Mr Thomas

## Intermediate Boys Cricket Competition

On Thursday the 26<sup>th</sup> of October, ten students represented our school in the Hume Region intermediate cricket competition. Although they lost to Yarrawonga by 10 runs, the boys showed great sportsmanship and positively displayed the school values throughout the day. Luke Dunne top scored with the bat, scoring 30 runs and hitting 5 boundaries, while Brady Purcell took 3/18 off 4 overs.

## Year 8 Warby Ranges Bushwalk



Students from the year 8 Outdoors class visited the Warby Oven Ranges on Tuesday the 31<sup>st</sup> to participate in a day of bushwalking and applying their knowledge of navigation and map reading. The bushwalk allowed students to work together to find their trail on their maps, while experiencing the benefits of participating in an outdoor recreational activity. Thankfully the day only saw sunshine with a light breeze, as the bushwalk had been rescheduled from term 3 due to wet weather. Students were lucky enough to spot an echidna sleeping along the side of the path, as well as a mob of kangaroos passing by during their walk.

## 5/6 STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Congratulations Rose, Anthony, Bailey, Summer, Anna-Jay, Sunny and Kieran



 **Attendance Matters**  
...every school day counts!

## Smiles Onsite Dental Clinic

Benalla P-12 College is collaborating with **Smiles Onsite** this term to promote healthier, happier smiles at our school! This incredible service is being offered for FREE under the federal government's Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS). All students will be given a consent form to bring home so that they can participate. The service will be at Faithfull St in Week 8, Waller St Week 9 and Avon St Week 10. Barkly St will have the service attend in Term 1, 2018.

### How does it work?

The Child Dental Benefit Schedule grants all eligible parents with \$1000 worth of Medicare towards dental per child, over a two-year period. Eligible parents should receive a confirmation letter; however if you are still unsure, Smiles Onsite can check for you on completion of their consent form.

### Can I make use of this service if I'm not eligible?

Of course! Smiles Onsite can do almost everything that your local dentist can do on board their state-of-the-art mobile Clinic. If you would like them to see your child for a scale and clean, fillings, fissure seals etc., these services can be offered with NO GAP payable. This service is a great opportunity to get kids into the habit of good oral hygiene, and we hope you're as excited about it as we are!

You can also fill out the dental consent form for your son or daughter by inserting this link on the web browser -

<https://form.jotform.co/73010497780861>

If you have any further questions about this program or your eligibility, please contact Smiles Onsite directly on **1800 276 453**.



## SkoolBag

Don't forget to download our school's SkoolBag app to ensure that you are kept in the loop on:

- \* School newsletters
- \* Notices
- \* Events
- \* Cancellations
- \* Reminders
- ...and more!

**INSTALLATION  
INSTRUCTION**

Just search for our school's name in the App Store on your phone and download our app!



# BENALLA

## RURAL CITY COUNCIL

The Mayor, Cr Don Firth  
invites

the Hands on Learning Class

to the Official Opening of the  
Benalla Adventure Playground

On

Sunday 12 November 2017  
commencing at 12 noon

at the

Benalla Botanical Gardens  
Bridge Street, Benalla 3672  
(Entry via Wedge St off Arundel Street, Benalla)

Light refreshments will be served.

Please RSVP to:  
Anthea Lavis on telephone 03 5760 2648  
or email: [anthea.lavis@benalla.vic.gov.au](mailto:anthea.lavis@benalla.vic.gov.au)







## Sport & Recreation Traineeship

Are you finishing off Year 12 and Interested in joining  
**Benalla P-12 College** as a Trainee in 2018 ?

Get off the bench & Kick start your career

### Details

12 month traineeship  
Earn while you learn  
Certificate III in Sport & Recreation  
Or  
Certificate IV in Sports Management

### Application

Job application meeting selection criteria is due in to the general office by Wednesday the 22nd of November / 2017

To get the selection criteria & for more information on how to apply contact

Mr Elkington, Mrs Cairncross or Mr Challis  
On the Barkley Campus.

For more information on what the traineeship involves contact :

Michael Caruso  
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E: [michael.caruso@aflsportsready.com.au](mailto:michael.caruso@aflsportsready.com.au)

**[aflsportsready.com.au](http://aflsportsready.com.au)**



**Avon Campus: 0428 014 133**

Monday 06/11	Tuesday 07/11	Wednesday 08/11	Thursday 09/11	Friday 10/11
<b>Activity:</b> x-box and drawing <b>Afternoon Tea:</b> Fruit, pancakes Milk & Juice	<b>Melbourne Cup Day</b>  <b><u>NO CARE</u></b>	<b>Activity:</b> Ball Tigg <b>Afternoon tea:</b> Fruit, cereal, milk and juice	<b>Activity:</b> Dress ups and cubbies <b>Afternoon Tea:</b> Fruit, biscuits, spreads, Milk & Juice	<b>Activity</b> Chalk drawing & ki- netic sand <b>Afternoon Tea</b> Fruit, biscuits & spreads, milk & juice.
Monday 13/11	Tuesday 14/11	Wednesday 15/11	Thursday 16/11	Friday 17/11
<b>Activity:</b> Ham beads and cricket <b>Afternoon Tea:</b> Fruit, yogurt, Milk & Juice	<b>Activity:</b> Craft and ipads <b>Afternoon Tea:</b> Fruit, pancakes, Milk & Juice	<b>Activity:</b> Blocks and play doh <b>Afternoon tea:</b> Fruit, kabana, dip milk and juice	<b>Activity:</b> Lego and blocks <b>Afternoon Tea:</b> Fruit, toast, Milk & Juice	<b>Activity:</b> Playground and tennis <b>Afternoon Tea:</b> Fruit, biscuits, spreads, Milk & Juice

**Waller Campus: 0407 715 660**

Monday 06/11	Tuesday 07/11	Wednesday 08/11	Thursday 09/11	Friday 10/11
<b>Activity</b> Hama Beads & Si- lent sit ball <b>Afternoon Tea</b> Fruit, ice-cream cones, milk & juice	<b>Melbourne Cup Day</b>  <b><u>NO CARE</u></b>	<b>Activity</b> Tennis & Uno <b>Afternoon Tea</b> Fruit, fresh sand- wiches, milk & juice	<b>Activity</b> sandpit & soccer <b>Afternoon Tea</b> Fruit, biscuits & spreads, milk & juice	<b>Activity</b> Jock's playground & playdough <b>Afternoon Tea</b> Fruit, cereal, milk & juice
Monday 06/11	Tuesday 07/11	Wednesday 08/11	Thursday 09/11	Friday 10/11
<b>Activity</b> Basketball & Lego <b>Afternoon Tea</b> Fruit, biscuits & spreads, milk & juice	<b>Activity</b> Cricket & Hama beads. <b>Afternoon Tea</b> Fruit, fresh sandwiches, milk & juice	<b>Activity</b> Cubbies & Skipping. <b>Afternoon Tea</b> Fruit, cereal, milk & juice	<b>Activity</b> Totem tennis & drawing <b>Afternoon Tea</b> Fruit, milkshakes & juice	<b>Activity</b> Movie & popcorn <b>Afternoon Tea</b> Fruit, jelly & custard, milk & juice

### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**REPORT WRITING DAY - Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2017** – All day care will provided on both campuses.

### **January Vacation Care Dates:**

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January to Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Jan 2018** – Care on both campuses

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2018** – Australia Day (Public Holiday) No care

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Jan and Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> Jan 2018** – Care provided at Avon only for all families who require care.

**Wednesday 31st Jan 2018** – School resumes for Benalla P-12 College students

**Cancellations for Care** – Just a reminder that if your child is not attending a booked in session, then this needs to be advised to the carers by 3pm for ASC and the day prior for Vac Care. Non cancellations within this time will be charged at full rate.

*Enquiries please email: [hanrahan.anne.e@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:hanrahan.anne.e@edumail.vic.gov.au)  
or phone Anne on Fridays at Waller 5762 2600*





## COMMUNITY PLAY TENNIS PROGRAM

Want to try tennis? Come join us each Saturday morning from 9.30-11.00am for ages 3years to 10 years and older if you want to try.

Where: Ackerly Avenue Courts  
For more information contact  
Henry Nam 0407487207.



# GIRLS CRICKET - ARE YOU INTERESTED?

**DETAILS**  
**Tuesday evenings**  
**5pm in Wangaratta**

The Benalla Bushrangers Cricket Club has an all girls team playing cricket in Wangaratta every Tuesday. We take a bus which leaves from Benalla P-12 Faithfull St Campus at 4.15pm sharp. Games are a 20-20 format with 9-a-side and usually finished by 7pm.

It's for girls of all abilities and under 16-years-old. We will also have a home game at Arundel St in Benalla on Nov 14.

All equipment is provided. Come and have a go—it's great fun. We also play on Saturday mornings with Under 12s, Under 14s and Under 16s and girls are most welcome to play. Find the Benalla Bushrangers Cricket Club on facebook or have a look at:

[WWW.PLAYCRICKET.COM.AU](http://WWW.PLAYCRICKET.COM.AU)

## Benalla Bushrangers Cricket Club

**Junior Training** Under 14 Training -Tues at 4.30! at the Gardens Oval.

Under 12 training - Wed at 4.30 at the Gardens Oval.

Under 16 training -Thurs at 5pm at the Gardens Oval.

*Seniors Tuesday & Thursday at the Gardens.*

*We have Junior sides in the U16, U14 & U12 age groups in the Wangaratta & District Cricket Association, as well as a girls team in the WDCA - Stars Female Competition. We also co-ordinate the Milo & T20 Blast.*

*BBCC's priority is the growth of junior cricket in the Benalla & District and providing a pathway for all junior cricketers. We have a number of Nationally accredited junior coaches and are an all-inclusive club catering for all levels of ability and gender.*

*We play our junior cricket locally at the Benalla Gardens, the Showgrounds & hard-wicket cricket at both Arundel street ovals.*

*If you wish to be involved, and cant make the registration night, please contact the Club via Facebook or simply contact our club secretary Mark Saunders on*

**0448 130 992**

*Look forward to welcoming you and your family.*

*GO Bushies.....*

**\*\*We acknowledge and respect the history of St Josephs CC, Benalla CC, Warren-bayne CC, Violet Town CC & Tatong CC\*\***

## CONTACT:

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**Secretary**  
**Benalla Bushrangers CC**  
**tel. 0448 130 992**

