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Benalla P-12 College Newsletter

Acting Principal-Paul Challis

Dear Families,

Southern Ranges Athletics Day

We had 55 students attended the Southern Ranges Athletics Day last week. The sports were held in Shepparton and our students performed very well. This is the largest group we have had participate for a while which is pleasing. All the students conducted themselves with respect and demonstrated good sportsmanship throughout the day.

Some of the results are:

- 2 relay teams, 15 girls, 17 boys got through to the next stage
- Kyle Termorshuizen 13 Boys 1st 100m, 1st 400m
- Patrick Warner, 20 Boys, needed only 1 throw to win the discus, won all 4 events he participated in. Brilliant effort.
- Darcy Edgar, 14 Boys, did a Personal best of 10cm to make it through for High jump
- Harrison Drury 14 Boys, Ruby Desailly 16 Girls, Charlize Thomson 13 Girls, all made it through for javelin. Congratulations to all.
- We had 3 age champions, Patrick Warner, Meagan Webster and Declan
- We came third overall out of ten schools. A brilliant effort.
- The following students broke records.

Meagan Webster, Alex Robinson, Elliott McCallum, Rebecca Webster and Shantelle Paton-McKenzie. Well done to all.

The building program is continuing to move ahead with the roof going on the senior building, see photos to the right and the Trade centre slab being prepared. The bus shed and the maintenance shed are nearly completed. The work is coming along at Avon with the demolition and rebuilding underway.

Protect yourself from scams –important information for parents.

Scammers are getting increasingly sophisticated in their attempts to get your money or personal details. Be alert and protect yourself from being scammed. Scams target people of all backgrounds, ages and income levels across Australia. There's no one group of people who are more likely to become a victim of a scam, all of us may be vulnerable to a scam at some time. Scams succeed because they look like the real thing and catch you off guard when you're not expecting it. Scammers are getting smarter and taking advantage of new technology, new products or services and major events to create believable stories that will convince you to give them your money, personal details or contact information.

Students Elected to School Council

This year the Department of Education and Training have put in place a process to elect two students from Year 7 to Year 12 to School Council. In the week beginning April 30th, I am calling for nominations from students to be elected to School Council. Nominations will close on Friday May 4th. Nomination forms can be picked up and returned to the General Office at Barkly Street and the General Office at Faithfull Street.

ANZAC Day Service

I would like to congratulate the College Captains, Cameron Holmes, Alex Robinson, Samantha DeSailly and Jessica Stocker and other students for their participation in the Benalla RSL March and Service. Samantha spoke at the Dawn Service and Cameron spoke at the 11:00 Service. They both did a great job and should be proud of their presentations. We had a lot of students, staff and parents march which was pleasing to see.

With the mornings becoming cooler, please ensure students are prepared for the cooler days by having the correct uniform to wear.

Please have a great week.

Paul Challis Acting College Principal. **Everyday Counts**

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



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Dates to Remember:	2018 Term Dates 16th April –29th June 16th July –21st September 8th October –21st December				
April 30	 Year 8 overnight Discovery Camp 1-Lake Nillahcootie Years 7-9 Assembly 10.30am 				
May 2	* Year 8 Live4life				
Мау з	 * Hands on Trade Career Expo-Winton Raceway * Year 8 overnight Discovery Camp 2-Lake Nillahcootie 				
May 7	* Outdoor Education Bushwalk– 2 night stay Mount Howitt				
Мау 9	 * Year 8 Live4life * Sayembara Lisan– Indonesian Speaking Competition 				
May 10	* Year 7 Band Concert-7.30pm PAC Faithfull Street				
May 15	* Year Outdoor Education Bushwalk– Warby Ranges* Naplan				
May 16	* Year 8 Live4life				
May 18	 Year 9 Outdoor Education-Reef Hills Years 3-6 District Cross Country-Benalla Show Ground 				
May 21	* CI Card Training-Contact Molly Craig				
May 22	 * Year 3/4 Camp-Group 1-15 Mile Creek * Year 5/6 Canberra Camp 				



We are now in our second week of Term 2. What stories have your child/ren brought home with the new things they have learned every day. What you may not know that going to school every day is the most single important part of your child's education....... missing school puts them behind. There are no safe days for missing school.

Did you Know? That all staff at Benalla P-12 College want your child/ren to get a great education, and the building blocks

for a great education begins with your child/ren coming to school each and every day. If your child/ren miss school regularly, they miss out on learning the fundamental skills that will set them up for success in the later years of school. If you are having trouble getting your child/ ren to school every day, please pop in to see one of our student wellbeing team:

□ Avon St Campus -Scott Greig 5762 1646

□ Waller St Campus -Bron Greig 5762 2600

□ Faithfull St Campus -Lou McCloskey 5761 2777

☐ Barkly St Campus -Craig Carley 5761 2888

We would love to support and work together with you to get your child/ren back on track attending every day

ome to School

Don't be late

because

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Woodies

On the last Wednesday of Term 1 Avon Campus again, started our visits out to the Woodies shed.

We have been visiting the Woodies now for over 12 years and a great partnership has been built during this time.

The students build relationships with the Woodies folk and enjoy the interaction with them.

It is a great opportunity for the students to enjoy some hands on skills and develop a connectedness within our wider community.

Mr Varcoe had three special projects for the student to work on.

They did lots of sanding, measuring, drilling and hammering.

The students made a CD rack, a key rack and a rocking bear. They were all very proud of their projects and came back to school very excited to take them home to their families.

THANK YOU to the Woodies folk and Mr Don





Congratulations to this Terms Campus Leaders. Pictured above are Kye, Ryder Mrs Treacy, Evalee and Sharna

Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge 2018

The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and Avon Campus at Benalla P-

12 College is excited to be participating!

Students from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books (20 books from the Premier's list and 10 other books of choice) with their parents and teachers. Students in Years 3 and 4 are challenged to read 15 books (10 books from the Premier's list and 5 other books of choice). The Challenge closes on **Friday 24**th **August, 2018.** Please see Mandy Brown for forms.





Back: Noah Damon, Jake Holland, Shylah Gribble, Kai Dervish, Jakobi Williams, Maddison Bodsworth



Garden Volunteers:

Back: Ochre Lees, Billy Buitenhuis, Danielle Knox

Front: Sam Gates and Mitch Cooney.



Golden Shovel

Back: Jaxson Hussell, Tim Woods, Declan Campbell, Ayush

Singh, Elizabeth McNair, Jordi Piccolo

Front: Thomas Fitzgerald-Baboussouras, Max Harman



Congratulations to our Term 2 Campus Leaders: Sharni Hepworth, Jody Doody, Callum Wishart and Larni Hoffmann.

Every Minute in School Counts

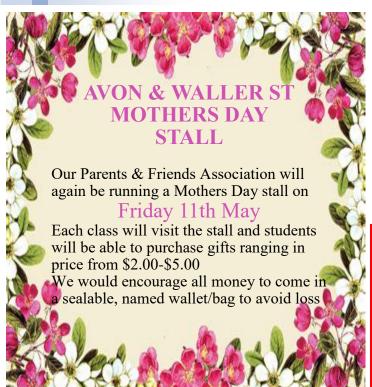
Breakfast Club is every day on the Waller Campus



Breakfast is served from Monday through to Friday morning, from 8:30 to 8:50am in the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen. We also are serving up coffee and tea to our parents. What you may not realise is that in this time in the morning, our children make new friends, share stories, make plans, laugh a lot, help others, learn life skills like washing and drying dishes, practice their social skills by being polite and courteous to others and put leadership skills into practice to name a few. Best of all, our children get to start to the day with a smile on their face even if they have already had breakfast at home. It's not just about having breakfast, it's a meeting place for making a great start to the day.

If you are wanting to volunteer for the Breakfast Program, please call Bron on 5762 2880.





Avon Street Campus Scholastic Book Club Orders are due in by

Wednesday 2nd May

Scholastic books can be ordered and paid for online through Scholastic Book Club Loop Orders using your credit card. Three easy steps can be found on the back page of the catalogue. If paying by cheque, please make payable to Scholastic Book Club and return to the office by the due date.

Please note that late orders cannot be accepted. For more information contact Scholastic Book Club 1800 021 233



WALLER ST CAMPUS SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB LOOP ORDERS—ISSUE 3

The 2018 Scholastic Book Club catalogues have been distributed to all students at Waller St Campus.

Students and parents are reminded that all book orders must be submitted online through Scholastic Book Club Loop Orders by

Monday, 7 May 2018

Details re ordering are located on the back of page of the Scholastic Book Club catalogue.





Year 9 Careers Workshop

As part of our Careers Intensive Program, all Year 9 students attended a workshop with Careers Coach, Glenn Irvine, last week. As part of this session students identified their skills, interests and qualities together with the level of Education and Training they will require to pursue possible future careers. Students will build on this session next week when they begin their Career Action Plans (CAPs) and set up their profile on the *MyFuture* website.

All Year 9 students have also started Safe@work and Work Safe Victoria activities in preparation to complete assessment on line this term. When successful, students will be issued with Safe@work certificates which are a valuable addition to their Achievement Portfolio.



Glenn Irvine identifies 'Lifetypes' that influence future career choices



Ms Baker works with students to list their "Life Motivators" including preferred workstyles



Safe@work activities related to Manual Handling and Noise hazards in the workplace

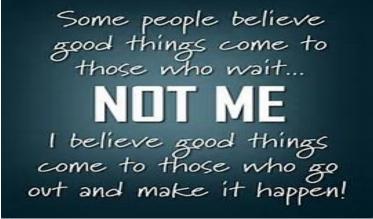
Chloe Glazebrook and Gertie McCallum complete

Sue Oakley (Pathways to Retention Coordinator)





Molly Ferwerda and Lily Freeman study Health and Safety Laws and the role of Health and Safety representatives in the workplace





Regent Honeyeater Project

The Regent Honeyeater Project has an exciting list of sites to plant this year as we continue into our 23rd year of rehabilitation and landscape connection.

Over that time we have recorded an increase in the number of Grey-Crowned Babbler (50 to 116) who operate in family groups and can be counted; a much wider range for the Brush-tailed Phascogale in nesting boxes; sightings in the Lurg Bird Search of rarer birds in the listed Victorian temperate-woodland bird community such as Diamond Firetail, Painted Honeyeater and many others. The Regent Honeyeater itself remains listed as Critically Endangered and rarely seen. We appreciate the help we have been given over the years and with Ray now in retirement we are continuing in his footsteps as we link the Lurg Hills to Winton Wetlands and the Chesney Hills.

Due to a strict cut-off date for the completion of a 5 year funding cycle (we have applied for the next 5 year round) we need to have most of the out planting completed and reported before the end of this financial year and with that in mind have set the dates for the planting weekends as:



12/13 May, 26/27 May, 9/10 June, 23/24 June

then later: 4/5 August, 18/19 August, then 3 weeks till 8/9 September



If you can join us for any of the early weekends that will be greatly appreciated and return an email with your expressions of interest. The weather here over May and June can be glorious as autumn morphs into winter and with changing climate we are committed to planting much earlier to avoid the drying spring tendency and then the risk of needing to hand water plants over a long, hot summer.

The nest box inspection weekends that are usually carried out in autumn will be on held again this year as we deal with the urgency around getting plants into the ground and OH&S issues around ladder heights. We will resume these inspections in the near future.

Please note that:

- The Sunday of the 1st weekend 12/13 May is Mother's Day but we had to avoid the following weekend as it is the V8 Supercars at Winton Raceway and tends to change the vibe of the area, and what better thing to do on Mother's Day than planting habitat for endangered wildlife.
- **-**We have as usual avoided July when the weather is traditionally poor, although there is a Scouts planting weekend on the 21st of July (their choice).
- There is only one planting weekend planned for September as we have found over the last many years that while the weather improves the ground is often hard and dry any later than this, and results can be poorer.
- There are more weekends than usual as we have a lot to do, but also I am committed to calling a weekend off if the 4 day forecast shows inclement weather expected, so book in early with the knowledge that you will not be committing to a wet day.
- •We will be able to provide the same free accommodation as in the past (mattresses at the Guide and Scout Hall in Benalla) and as in the past will provide an evening meal on the Saturday and an onsite lunch on Sunday before heading home, both at no charge.

This project is supported by the Goulburn Broken Catchment Authority, through funding from the Australian Government's National Landcare Programme and the Threatened Species Recovery Fund (in partnership with BirdLife Australia)= email reply to: Andie andie@regenthoneyeater.org.au

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Andie Guerin Regent Honeyeater Project





District Cross Country Friday 18th May Parent Helpers

Dear Parents/Carers,

Please help support our students at the District Cross Country on Friday 18th May. We are in need of parent helpers to supervise the running track to ensure that every student can see an adult all the way around. Please leave your name with the classroom teacher if you are able to assist. You will also need to bring your Working with Children card. Office staff will be able to copy this. Regards

Vanessa Neilson PE Teacher







ANZAC DAY 25 April 2018 Dawn Service Speech by Samantha Desailly Benalla P-12 College Vice Captain



Good morning everyone,

For those who don't know me my name is Samantha Desailly. I am a Vice Captain from Benalla P-12 College and I walked the Kokoda track last July with students from my school.

Going into Year 11 for me was an extremely exciting time as I finally had the opportunity to walk the Kokoda track. I knew a little bit of history about the track but not as much as I know or understand now. Going over to Papua Guinea was very thrilling for me as i wanted to see and understand the sacrifices that the Australian soldiers made for this country to be as free as it is today.

The Kokoda terrain is treacherous. When walking the Kokoda track it was hard to image the soldiers walking while under fire and with packs of 30kg plus. The soldiers were challenged by steep treacherous inclines, deep valleys, dense jungles, a debilitating climate and drenching rain. The Kokoda trail fighting was some of the most desperate and vicious encountered by Australian troops in the Second World War. Approximately 625 Australians were killed along the Kokoda trail and over 1,600 were wounded. Casualties due to sickness exceeded 4,000

When walking the Kokoda track with all its obstacles and challenges you can feel the aura and spirits of all the young men who ever set foot on the track known or unknown. Many of those young men overcame an enemy that had never been conquered, never tasted defeat or who never felt mateship like the Australian soldiers did.

Personally I found Brigade Hill to be one of the saddest places on the track due to the history and huge sacrifices that those young men made for our country. After lines and lines of young men getting shot down they still charged ahead to the enemy that was unstoppable, many charging over there dead mates who had been shot down previously. Many of those young men were younger than myself, many of those young men didn't know what was ahead, all of those young men were loved. The thing I find hardest and the saddest to overcome is that those young men on Brigade Hill knew that once they charged ahead they were never coming back and to never see their loved ones again.

I know for generations to come that the Kokoda campaign and those young men that made the ultimate sacrifice, young men who helped shape our nation identity, will never be forgotten.

I now finally understand the phrase of "lest we forget".

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VCAL Numeracy At Work

Some of our VCAL Numeracy students have taken on a mighty task this semester. Not only are they completing their outcomes in class, but they are also building a new chicken coop in the Clarke Street grounds. The structure will be attached to the current bike shed. The boys in the photo are busy digging holes for the metal uprights on one of our hot weeks late last term. VCAL is about gaining skills for work, and these guys are doing a great job. We will keep you posted as the build gains momentum.





Darren Pereira from Success Integrated



This inspirational speaker was a guest at our school on Tuesday 24th April. He spoke to students from Year 7 to Year 12. Darren Pereira is a **passionate** individual who is committed to **motivating** & **transforming** people's lives all around the world. Some of the techniques that were provided to students to be successful included, B.E.S.T., expect the best (Belief, Excellence, Study and Toughness).

An interesting method that was also put forward was the Selfie Challenge, students were given the challenge of writing down their goal. Whether this be what ATAR score that they will achieve, what apprenticeship they want to obtain, or any other goal they may want to achieve, take of Selfie with this goal written down and keep it on record. When the goal is achieved then take another selfie showing the achievement. This gives the students something to work towards.

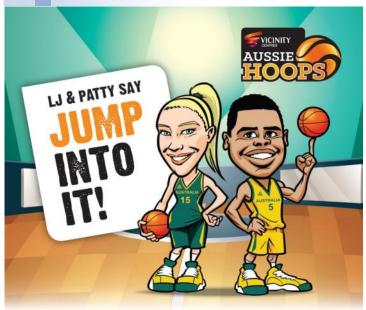
Most students were engaged and were keen to put ideas into practice, to alleviate their stress levels and improve their mental health as they prepare for their studies, whether it be from Year 7 to Year 12.











REGISTER NOW AT AUSSIEHOOPS.COM.AU

2018 Aussie Hoops Term 2 - VIC Program
When: Commences Thursday 03-05-2018
Time: 4:00 PM for 45 minutes
Sessions: A 6 week Program
Ages: 5 to 10 for boys and girls
New members: \$60
Returning members: \$30
Register on line at
https://membership.sportstg.com/regoform.cgi?formID=76665

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Program is delivered by qualified coaches













Junior Development

All abilities Welcome, ages 5 +
Term 2
Thursdays 4.30 – 5.15pm
Churchill Reserve cnr Waller & Margaret
streets Benalla
All equipment provided.
Hockey Victoria Insurance to be paid on
night,
price varies depending on age.
For more info contact

<u>benallahockey@gmail.com</u> or find us on Facebook.



FREE Youth Mental Health First Aid Course

For Parents of young people in Benalla

Learn skills and gain confidence to assist young people experiencing mental health problems



Mental illnesses often start in adolescence or early adulthood and it is important to detect problems early to ensure the young person is properly treated and supported. The YMHFA course teaches adults how to assist adolescents who are developing a mental health problem, experiencing a worsening of a mental health problem or are in a mental health crisis.

COURSE INFORMATION (Normally costs \$250 - \$350 to complete) A comprehensive 14 hour Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA) course over four sessions. Course topics covered: Developing Mental Health problems, depression, anxiety, psychosis, eating disorders and substance abuse. Suicide and mental health crisis are also covered. Participants receive a copy of the Youth MHFA manual and are eligible to become an accredited Mental Health First Aider if they attend ALL sessions

Participants will learn about adolescent development and the signs and symptoms of mental health problems, how and where to get help and what sort of help has been shown by research to be effective

20 places only - Registration essential. This course is being offered in 2018 due to demand. Parents of young people in Benalla will be given first priority.

BOOK EARLY:

Monday April 23 - 5.30-9.30pm Monday April 30 - 5.30-9.30pm Monday May 7 - 5.30-9.30pm Monday May 14 - 5.30-9.30pm

Benalla Community Care Centre 45 Coster St - Light supper inc.



Brought to you by Youth Live4Life Benalla Partnership Group This initiative is supported by funding from Murray PHN and DHHS

Contact Benalla Rural City Council Community Development on 5760 2600 or email amanda aldous@benalla.vic.gov.au



Avon Campus: 0428 014 133

Monday 30/4	Tuesday 01/5	Wednesday 02/5	Thursday 03/5	Friday 04/5
Activity Skipping & train set Afternoon tea Fruit, toast & spreads, milk & juice	Activity Tennis & cubbies Afternoon tea Fruit, sandwiches, milk & juice	Activity Ball games & scratch art. Afternoon tea Fruit, pancakes, milk & juice	Activity Golden child & beads Afternoon tea Fruit, muffins, milk & juice	Activity Playground & board games Afternoon tea Fruit, nachos, milk & juice
Monday 7/5	Tuesday 8/5	Wednesday 9/5	Thursday 10/5	Friday 11/5
Activity Fruit Salad & zoob Afternoon tea Fruit, pancakes, milk & juice	Activity Tiggy & dress ups Afternoon tea Fruit, dry biscuits & spreads, milk & juice	Activity Playground &Lego Afternoon tea Fruit, nachos, milk & juice	Activity Skipping & Puzzles Afternoon tea Fruit, Toasted sandwiches, milk & juice	Activity Basketball & cubbies Afternoon tea Fruit, Baked beans, milk & juice

Waller Campus: 0407 715 660

Monday 30/4	Tuesday 01/5	Wednesday 02/5	Thursday 03/5	Friday 04/5
Activity Hama beads & Basket- ball Afternoon Tea Fruit, Dry biscuits & spreads, milk & juice	Activity Sandpit & craft Afternoon Tea Fruit, nachos, milk & juice	Activity Jock's playground & board games Afternoon Tea Fruit, steamed dim sims, milk & juice	Activity Cubbies & hula hoops. Afternoon Tea Fruit, Fresh Sandwiches, milk & juice	Activity Lego & skipping Afternoon Tea Fruit, cereal, milk juice
Monday 7/5	Tuesday 8/5	Wednesday 9/5	Thursday 10/5	Friday 11/5
Activity Basketball & board games Afternoon Tea Fruit, Nachos, milk & juice.	Activity Loombands & colouring. Afternoon Tea Fruit, Jelly and Custard, milk & juice.	Activity Sandpit & tennis. Afternoon Tea Fruit, Salad wraps, milk & juice.	Activity Hama beads & Chalk drawing. Afternoon Tea Fruit, cereal, milk & juice.	Activity Playdough & Jock's playground Afternoon Tea Fruit, Biscuits and spreads, milk & juice.

Family Webcast Information Session

You are invited to participate in an online family information session.

Child care fee assistance is changing. From 2 July 2018, the Australian Government is introducing a New Child Care Package. The Package includes a Child Care Subsidy which will replace the current Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebate. To transition to the subsidy, you'll need to provide some new information and confirm your current details now through myGov. The webcast will step you through what you need to do to transition and give you the opportunity to have your questions answered.

Three sessions will be held. Choose the one that best suits you.

Thursday 19 April 2018

5.00 - 6.30 pm AWST / 6.30 - 8.00 pm ACST / 7.00 - 8.30 pm AEST

Thursday 3 May 2018

12.30 - 2.00 pm AWST / 2.00 - 3.30 pm ACST / 2.30 - 4.00 pm AEST

Tuesday 15 May 2018

6.00 - 7.30 pm AWST / 7.30 - 9.00 pm ACST / 8.00 - 9.30 pm AEST

POLICIES - We are currently reviewing the following policies for Out of School Hours Care

- 6.10 Child Safe Environment Policy
- 6.13 Enrolment and Orientation Policy
- 6.14 Government and management of the Service Policy
- 6.26 Sleep and Rest for Children Policy (New Policy)

If you would like a copy of these policies, please email <u>hanrahan.anne.e@edumail.vic.gov.au</u>, or ask the carers at the service for a copy. All families are invited to provide input into the policy review.

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

