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Benalla P-12 College Newsletter

Executive Principal-Tony Clark

Dear Parents and members of the school community,

Welcome back from holidays. I would firstly like to thank the School Council for appointing me to this position of Executive Principal of Benalla P-12 College. It is a very exciting time for the College and I am honoured to have been given the opportunity to work with the staff and wider community to continue the journey of improvement that is occurring here. Already, I can see the strong relationships the staff and students have and how much this is valued by all of them. I also get a great sense of optimism for the future of the College from staff and parents and I am sure that if we all continue to work together, we will achieve excellence for all.

This week I met with student leaders from Faithfull and Barkly Street Campuses. These young people impressed me with their positive attitude and their high aspirations for life after school. They all spoke very highly of the teaching staff and felt teachers here at the College know and care about the students and work hard to provide a positive learning environment.

I am looking forward to getting to know the staff, students and families of Benalla College. If you see me at any of the campuses throughout the day, please come up and have a chat. If you would like to discuss anything with me regarding your child's education, please contact the school to make a time.



On Saturday night, my wife and I attended the Deb Ball at the Benalla Lakeside Community Centre. This was a superb event. The students looked fabulous and they presented themselves and danced beautifully. A huge thankyou to Mel Pentreath for training and preparing the students and for co-ordinating the set-up of the venue. I hope all parents, friends and family had an enjoyable evening.

Lions Club Public Speaking

Sunday afternoon was the final of the local Lions Club Public Speaking competition. This involved students from several local schools in either Year 3/4 or 5/6. Benalla P-12 College was represented by Ayush Singh (Year 4- Waller St) and Imogen Biddle (Year 6 – Faithful St) who both did a fantastic job of speaking in front of a large audience. Congratulations to Ayush who came second in the Year 3/4 competition. Thankyou to the Lions Club for putting on such a wonderful event.

Parent Opinion Survey

Our College is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our College. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted

amongst a sample of randomly selected parents. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behavior and student engagement. Our College will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

Approximately 30 per cent of parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year the Parent Opinion Survey will be conducted from Monday 23rd July to Sunday 26th August.

The survey will be conducted online, only takes 10-15 minutes to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

The survey results will be reported back to the College at the end of September. The information we collect is always used to improve College programs for students and families.

We are looking forward to a strong term of learning for all students.

Tony Clark **Executive Principal**



Benalla P-12 College

2019 INFORMATION NIGHTS

Foundation Information Night: WEDNESDAY 25 JULY (6.00pm - 6.30pm) Avon and Waller Street Campuses Senior School Information Night: MONDAY 30 JULY (Years 10-12 5.30pm - 8.00pm) Faithfull Campus (Information Sessions: Year 10, 6pm, Year 11, 6.30, Year 12, 7pm)

Year 5 and Year 7 Information Night: MONDAY 6 AUGUST (5.30pm - 7.00pm) Faithfull Campus (Year 5, 5.30pm - 6.15pm in the Year 5-6 Hub, Year 7 in the Year 7 area)

(Foundation-Year 4)

(Foundation-Year 4) Phone: (03) 5762 1646 Phone: (03) 5762 2600

AVON STREET CAMPUS | WALLER STREET CAMPUS | FAITHFULL STREET CAMPUS | (Years 5-9) Phone: (03) 5761 2777

BARKLEY STREET (Years 10-12) Phone: (03) 5761 2888











Dates to Remember:	2018 Term Dates 16th July -21st September 8th October -21st December			
July 25	 Foundation Information Evening both Avon & Waller Campuses 6.00-6.30pm Kool Skools-Overnight Melbourne Trip 			
July 26	* National Tree Day			
July 27	* Avon Street Students will be at the Waller Street Campus for the day. Pick up and drop off via McKellar street <u>only</u> . There will be no access to the school via Avon Street. Students will be bused to Waller, leaving at 9.00am sharp returning at 3.10pm			
July 30	* Senior School Information Evening –Year 9 Centre Faithfull Street 5.30-8.00pm' 6.00pm-Year 10 6.30pm-Year 11 7.00pm-Year 12			
August 1	* Year 11/12 Three day Ski Trip-Mount Hotham			
August 2	* Mid Year Band Concert			
August 3	* Year 5/6 AFL Footy Coaching Clinic			
August 6	 * OES Cross Country Ski Trip- * Year 6 going into Year 7 Information Evening-Faithfull St 5.30-7.00pm 			

GOOD ATTENDANCE FOR SUCCESS

Every Minute (1) in School Counts

Why every day counts

Your chance for a brand new start for Term 3. New goals!! What are your new goals? Maybe your goal could be your child having 100% attendance for term 3, attending every day from the first bell to the last bell? Whatever your goal, we wish you all the best and if you are needing help to achieve your goal with your child attending school every day, then please don't hesitate to contact one of our student wellbeing team members

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.

Help us to help you, please contact Scott, Bron, Lou or Craig to assist in achieving your new attendance goal.

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

NEW UNIFORM JACKET



JACKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO TRY-ON, ORDER & PURCHASE AT THE NEXT UNIFORM SHOP DAY WEDNESDAY 18TH JULY FROM 3PM CONTACT JUDDS YARRAWONGA ON 57441269 FOR FURTHER DETAILS.







Congratulations to this Terms Campus Leaders. Pictured above are Riley Kaylea, Logan, Aiden and Mrs Hansen



This weeks students of the week were: Damon, Logan, Alex, Sophie, Eve and Ethan. Absent Xavier



Premier's Reading Challenge 2018 at Avon Campus.

At Avon Campus, we now have fifty-nine students in Prep to Year

4 registered for this year's Premier's Reading Challenge. Congratulations to Lochy, Hayley, Locky and Georgia who have recently completed the Challeng. Fantastic!! The colder days give us an awesome opportunity to curl up on the couch with books and enjoy reading them. Students who are registered have 5 ½ weeks until the Challenge closes on Friday 24th August, 2018.







time. The cost will be 50c with a slice of bread.

soup each Tuesday for the next four weeks commencing this Tuesday 24th July at lunch

Many thanks to our wonderful Parents & Friends Association for organising this





Avon Street Scholastic Book Club Orders are due in by

9.00am Wednesday 1st August

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

The last day of Term 2 students that weren't late and had attended school each day for a whole week were rewarded with a BBQ.

To be an 'Attendance Champion' and join our end of Term 3 BBQ you simply have to come to school every day and don't be late.

We would like to thank Beaton's Silk Cut Meats for donating the sausages for this fantastic cause.







Lions Club Public Speaking Speeches @ the Waller Street Campus



Six students from the Waller Street Campus participated in the Lions Club Public Speaking competition. They were Chloe Ashton, Olivia Goodwin, Sharni Hepworth, Jessica



Shaw, Ayush Singe and Willow Stocker. They are pictured with the Lions Club representatives, Denise Brown, Margaret Poels, Peter Poels, David Lowing and Alex Adkins.

The winner of the Public Speaking Competition is Ayush Singe and Sharni Hepworth came a close second.

2018 SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB LOOP ORDERS-ISSUE 5

The 2018 Scholastic Book Club (Issue 5) catalogues have been distributed to all students at

Book Club orders are due:

3rd August 2018

Waller St Campus.

Students and parents are reminded that all book orders must be submitted online through Scholastic Book Club Loop Orders by Friday, 3rd August

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

Thankyou,

Waller St Campus Administration

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Pictured above are; Imogen Williams, Danielle Knox, Teliha Yates, Mitchell Cooney and Mrs Whiley



Pictured above are: Thomas Fitzgerald, Oscar Ring, Sam Gates, Ayush Singh, Ochre Lees, Cooper Binion and Billy Buitenhuis. Absent Larni Hoffmann.

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. Parents can also pop in for a Latte or a cup of tea. 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 would like to volunteer for the Breakfast Program, please call Bron on 5762 2880.







Measuring Time

During the last week of Term 2 we participated in an activity where we had to make an object that could measure time. Nearly everyone used a candle. We had to decide as a group what equipment we needed to use and how the candle could measure time. We lit the candle and timed how long it took to reach a certain mark. From this time, we worked out how long it would take the whole candle to burn by multiplying the marked intervals by the number of minutes.

We are glad that we do not have to measure time by candles anymore. What happens if it is windy? That is another investigation to explore!

Flying High with Connect9

Excited Year 9 students were flying high, literally, as they celebrated the conclusion of the Connect9 mentoring program with a glider flight. Perfect weather greeted the students as they began the day with their final Connect9 activity, a flight over Benalla. Developed and run by Tomorrow Today Foundation as part of the Education Benalla Program, Connect9 is run twice each year. Students in Year 9 are individually matched with a well connected local volunteer who over the course of one school term, gives their time to support the young person to learn new skills, try a sport or hobby, investigate career options and build their local connections. Research has shown that programs such as Connect9 not only help young people to feel a part of their community, but also increase the likely hood of them continuing their education.

In celebrating the completion of the 10 week program, the teenagers and their mentors spoke of the highlights of the program. Activities included a gym workout at the Benalla Aquatic Centre, "Race around the library" cooking and sharing a meal at the Stephanie Alexander kitchen, and options such as archery, blacksmithing and going to the movies at BPACC.

TOMORROW

TODAY





The Anglican Parish of Benalla generously donated School Uniform jumpers to Barkly and Faithfull campuses to help keep some of our students warm. A huge thank you to Father David Still and the parish for their continued support of our welfare programs.



Attendance Awards

Wow! Look how many students received attendance awards at the End of Term 2 assembly! Improving attendance has been a particular focus at the Barkly Campus this term and we are so proud to see so many students recognised for their efforts.

The first picture shows all the students who had 100% Attendance this term, while the second picture shows all the students with Outstanding Attendance (above 90%) this term. Congratulations to everyone! Wow! Look how many students received attendance awards at the End of Term 2 Assembly! Improving attendance has been a particular focus at the Barkly Campus this term and we are so proud to see so many students recognised for their efforts.

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REMINDER - REFLECTION TIME AT THE BARKLY CAMPUS

The Barkly Campus has a number of strategies, both within and outside the classroom, to promote positive student behaviours and prevent incidences of challenging behaviour. Strategies include the Benalla P-12 College Mobile Phone policy, the Benalla P-12 College staged response to 'Swearing, Cyberbullying, Physical Violence and Harassment' and the Benalla P-12 College Uniform policy.

As of Monday 18th June, a new strategy to support students to choose to uphold our College values has been in place. Students will be given a choice to uphold and follow the Benalla P-12 College rules, expectations and values or to attend an after school 'reflection time'. If students choose to attend the reflection time, they will be expected to attend on the next Monday or Wednesday afternoon at 3.15pm in room S2 for 45 minutes. The purpose of the after school sessions is for the student to reflect upon the choice/s they made and to support the student to make better choices in the future. If students do not complete the first reflection time at the allocated date, they will receive an additional reflection time to complete. Failure to attend and complete both of these reflection sessions will result in one day of internal suspension.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's Year Level ottizenship be safe responsibility manners be supported by the liquid integrity. Coordinator (Year 10 Ms Rembold, Knowledge caring respect Character honesty Year 11 Mrs Legg or Year 12 Mr respect Character honesty Positive Behavior Carboon), the Senior Sub-School Leader, Ms Rebecca Pell, or the Assistant Principal, Mr Paul Challis integrity be safe Knowledge be kind manners on 5761 2888.

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BARKLY REPORT

I would like to thank Rebecca Pell for leading the Barkly campus in a positive and productive way during the first semester in my absence. There has been a focus on improving student attendance this year and the staff have worked hard to connect and improve student attendance. Parent support with this has been appreciated.

The attendance and participation during Headstart was excellent and the students really demonstrated that they were keen to do their best and work with teachers to achieve this. As the first half of the year came to a close the attendance and behavioural data showed improvement which is a product of the great follow up that the teachers have been doing to support students with their learning.

Last Saturday evening the 2018 Debutante Ball was conducted and I would like to acknowledge the work of Mel Pentreath, Karen Legg, Liz Adams, Trish Burns and Rebecca Pell in supporting this event.

On July 16th the Kokoda students started their training for the Trek by running up and down stairs.

On the last day of the term, Cameron Holmes who is a College Captain and he also a White Ribbon Ambassador, organised a Volleyball game between the staff and the students to raise awareness and funds for Benalla White Ribbon. This was a highly successful activity and raised \$400. Well done to Cameron, the students and the staff with their support and participation in the event.

In August the College Captains are going to Canberra to visit Parliament House and meet with Cathy McGowan. This has been a really good event for our Captains to be involved in and they will gain a great deal from the experience.

All students are reminded that they are not to leave the school grounds at lunch or recess to go down the street to purchase food. Barkly Campus students are allowed to go to the Pink Shop at lunchtime to purchase food. We have staff on duty to provide a "Duty of Care" when they go to the pink shop. We would appreciate the support of parents and carers with this

Paul Challis **Assistant Principal**











Secondary school can be a stressful time for students. During this time mental health issues such as anxiety and depression arise for one in four children and young people. However, when mental health issues are picked up early, students can be supported to build and manage their wellbeing, leading to better educational and health outcomes. That is why the Victorian Government has established the Victorian Anti-Bullying and Mental Health Initiative (VABMHI).

Face-to-face and regional phone counselling

Victorian government secondary school students with mild to moderate mental health concerns will be able access face-to-face counselling at a headspace centre and/or a regional phone counselling service through headspace.

This is part of the VABMHI's mental health focus - Enhancing Mental Health Support in Schools initiative, funded by the Victorian Department of Education Training.

How does it work?

Face-to-face and/or regional phone counselling will be available depending on your child's school. Counselling will take place during school hours between 9am and 4pm with a qualified counsellor for approximately 45 minutes.

If a student is referred or self-refers for a face-to-face counselling session, it will take place at a headspace centre.

All phone counselling sessions will take place in a safe and private place on school grounds.

Referral

Any member of the school staff can refer a student or a student may wish to self-refer. In accordance with the School Advisory and Policy Guide*, your consent as a parent or carer will be sought if and when your child is not considered to be a mature minor. This means they are incapable of making their own decision about participating in a counselling service.

All sessions are completely confidential and the counsellor will only discuss the session with others, such as family and other health professionals, if given student's permission. In this instance, the counsellor and student will agree about what information is shared with who.

However, if student safety is a concern, the counsellor may act to ensure the student remains safe. The counsellor will always try to include the student in decisions about their health and safety.

More information

Please contact your school for more information about the Enhancing Mental Health Support in Schools initiative.



















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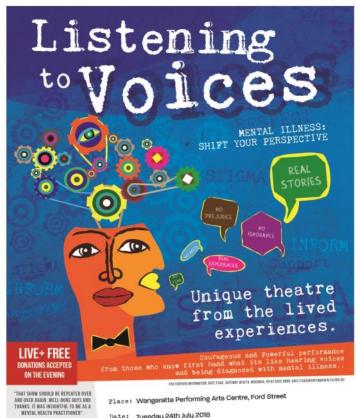
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Place: Wangaratta Performing Arts Centre, Ford Street

Date: Tuesday 24th July 2018 "AMAZING, POWERFUL, INECTING, BRAVE, THANK YOU FRO THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART, YOU CAN CHANGE THE WORLD".

Time: 5.30pm arrival, ready for 6pm start

FREE Tickets: Free entry for Merriwa employees and their family/friends Tea/coffee and supper provided RSVP to jo.maples@merriwa.org.au or 5722 7605







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Free Workshop with Melbourne Recital Centre

Tomorrow Today Education Foundation, along with Benalla P-12 College and the Melbourne Recital Centre, are offering a <u>Free</u> workshop to parents, carer's and teachers. In the workshop, you will learn how to make your own instruments with children and teach them the basic skills and ideas for making their own music. It is for anyone who helps and teaches children of all ages, across the Benalla community.

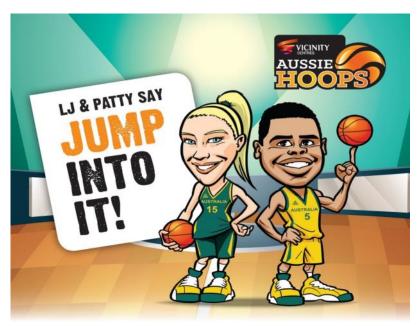
When: Monday 6th August, 2018 When: 3:30pm - 5pm (1.5 hours)

Where: Benalla P-12 College 'Performing Arts Centre' (PAC), Faithfull Campus, Faithfull Street, Benalla (enter at the school

gates closest to the railway line in Faithfull Street)

Please RSVP by Thursday 2nd August to Cathy Hair at Tomorrow Today on 5762 1211





REGISTER NOW AT AUSSIEHOOPS.COM.AU

2018 Aussie Hoops Term 3 - VIC Program When: Commences Thursday 2nd of August, 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=78967&programID=41849

Program is delivered by qualified coaches













Final reminder for Spring Domestic Competition Starts 6th August 2018

To register go to the Benalla Basketball website, click on the registrations link and follow the prompts.

Registrations must be completed by 27th July 2018.

After this date we cannot guarantee players will be placed in a team.

LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL INCUR A LATE FEE.

For further enquiries please email <u>benallabasket-ball@gmail.com</u>





Avon Campus: 0428 014 133

Monday 16/7	Tuesday 17/7	Wednesday 18/7	Thursday 19/7	Friday 20/7
Activity	Activity	Activity	Activity	Activity
Tiggy & dress ups	Bubbles & skip-	Playground &Lego	Skipping & Puzzles	Basketball & cub-
Afternoon tea	ping	Afternoon tea	Afternoon tea	bies
Fruit, dry biscuits &	Afternoon tea	Fruit, raisin toast,	Fruit, Toasted sand-	Afternoon tea
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Monday 23/7	Tuesday 24/7	Wednesday 25/7	Thursday 26/7	Friday 28/7
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Sand art	& zoob	dough	ing	Afternoon tea
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Waller Campus: 0407 715 660

Tuesday 17/7	Wednesday 18/7	Thursday 19/7	Friday 20/7
Activity	Activity	Activity	Activity
Bubbles & skipping	Playground &Lego	Skipping & Puzzles	Basketball & cub-
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CHILD CARE SUBSIDY - Started 2nd July 2018

The new Child Care Subsidy has now started, replacing the Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebate with the Child Care Subsidy The transition will not happen automatically. You will need to provide some new information and confirm your current details now through myGov. For more information about the new subsidy and how to transition, visit http://www.education.gov.au/childcare.

POLICIES FOR OSHCS

We are continually renewing our policies for Out of School Hours Care. Policies recently reviewed and approved by school council include the following:

- 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

Copies of the policies can be obtained from the service, or email the coordinator of your service as below.

Enquiries please email:

Avon: <u>holmes.nardia.i@edumail.vic.gov.au</u>
Waller: <u>masters.kerry.j@edumail.vic.gov.au</u>
or phone Anne on Fridays at Waller 5762 2600

Avon & Waller Vacation Care

What a fantastic Winter program! We should be extremely proud of our children. All had a wonderful time with such activities as bowling, Aquamoves, Puckapunyal Army Museum and our local BPACC, Art Gallery and Library. It was especially heartwarming to hear patrons from these establishments commenting on how well behaved all our children were. Just a reminder to parents to get their bookings in early for our next holiday program. This will save disappointment if we have reached our maximum numbers.

