



Benalla P-12 College

Executive Principal - Tony Clark

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

COLLEGE VISION

BENALLA P-12 COLLEGE ENSURES THAT EVERY CHILD LEARNS AND IS PREPARED FOR THE FUTURE THROUGH A COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING, HIGH EXPECTATIONS AND POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS IN A SAFE AND INCLUSIVE ENVIRONMENT.

Welcome Back to all families for the start of Term Three. I hope that all children come back rested and ready to learn. This term is a very important one for our Year 12 students in particular as it is really the last full term of classes for them before they start revision and exam preparation in Term 4. For the rest of the students, this term is about continuing the focus on learning and working hard to achieve progress. NAPLAN results come out this term and they will give us a good indication of how we are going with our academic program. We also will receive Student Attitudes to School Survey results which tell us how we are going in regards to the learning environment and student wellbeing.

Congratulations to all those students who were recognised at the end of last term with awards and certificates for academic excellence and/or attendance. These awards are not drawn out of a hat or have anything to do with luck – they are given out for hard work and having a go. Keep up the great work.

Weary Dunlop Ceremony

Last week, school captains Willow Plex, Mel Stretton and vice-captain Tiahna Fox and I attended the annual Weary Dunlop Commemorative Service in Melbourne. This event is held to commemorate the life of Sir Edward Dunlop and is run by the Weary Dunlop Foundation. The students laid a wreath on behalf of the College and a number of people spoke about Weary and his great compassion for others. This was a wonderful event to be a part of. Thankyou to Willow, Mel and Tiahna for making the trip down to Melbourne in the holidays to represent the school.

Kokoda

All our students, staff and parents made a successful crossing of the Kokoda Track and returned in the holidays. This is an amazing experience for those who take part and would not happen without a huge amount of work from the staff involved who not only give up some of their holidays but several weekends leading up to the event for training with the students. Congratulations to all students and parents who took part this year, and a huge thankyou to Mr. James Carboon and Ms. Elyse Felstead for attending the trip and ensuring it was such a success.

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TERM 3 DATES, MON 15TH JULY- FRI 20TH SEPTEMBER

DATES TO REMEMBER

WED 17TH JULY

3pm-5.30pm
Uniform Shop in D1 @ the
Faithfull St Campus.

**5.30pm- Parent Information
Session
Yr 11 & 12 Mt Hotham Ski
Camp**

THURS 18TH JULY

Unit 3 Community Services-
Excursion to the Royal
Freemasons Aged Care Home.

FRI 19TH JULY

My Second Best Friend
Production- For Girls in Yrs 5-10.

TUES 23RD JULY

The Man Cave Production- Yr 7
Boys – Lake Nillahcootie.

The Man Cave- Parent Session
6.30pm Faithfull St, PAC

WED 24TH JULY

The Man Cave Production- Yr 9
Boys – Lake Nillahcootie.

FRI 26TH JULY

1.40pm -Whole School
Assembly
Faithfull St, Stadium

Our College Values

Respect
Responsibility
High Expectations
Integrity

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE CONTINUED.....

HMAS Benalla March

Tomorrow, Tuesday July 16th July, there is a 'freedom of entry' march from the crew of the HMAS Benalla and the Victorian Navy Band along Bridge Street starting at 11am. Our school captains will represent us at the march and the ceremony which will be held in front of the Botanical Gardens.

Uniform

With winter still upon us, it is important that all students are wearing the correct uniform every day. Hoodies under school jumpers and puffer jackets are not permitted. If you are having difficulty obtaining the correct uniform please contact your relevant campus principal and/or welfare person.

Whole School Assembly

Next Friday 26th there will be our Term 3 assembly for all students and staff. It is always wonderful to see parents at these assemblies so please come along if you are able. This one will be held in the afternoon at 1.30pm and as always, is a great opportunity to see and hear our amazing College band in action. I look forward to seeing you all there.

Tony Clark
Executive Principal

UPCOMING EVENTS.....

MY SECOND BEST FRIEND

A production for girls from Year 5 to 10 on Friday July 19th in PAC @ Faithfull St Campus.

My Second Best Friend is a production performed by Kelly Nash and Cath McCallig from My Giddy Aunt Productions. They have been performing in schools in Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia since 1994. The performance explores the complexities of female relationships, frenemies and subtle forms of bullying associated with female relational aggression.

THE MAN CAVE

A program for boys in Year 7 & 9 at Lake Nillahcootie, on Tuesday/Wednesday July.

Man Cave is a preventative mental health and emotional intelligence program for boys and young men. It provides workshops, camps and presentations that explore healthy masculinity, respectful relationships and men's role in gender equality.

THE MAN CAVE- EMPOWERING BOYS TO BECOME GREAT MEN

PARENT TRAINING SESSION- TUES 23RD JULY, 6.30PM IN THE FAITHFULL ST PAC

Benalla P-12 College will be hosting a parent training session following the program being delivered to our Year 7 & 9 students.

This program is to empower boys to become great men by providing an impactful program. We believe this work can only be effective if the whole school community, specifically boys, teachers and parents, all have the same understanding and language.

The Parent Training is a 90-min keynote style presentation delivered by our most experienced and knowledgeable facilitators and leaders.

The presentation will cover:

- *Who The Man Cave is and why we exist
- *Our perspective on what's happening with our teenage boys
- *Discussion of the challenges parent's faced when they were teenagers
- *A clear explanation of how this program works

By the conclusion of the training, parents will:

- *Know who The Man Cave is and trust their ability to work with their boys
- *Understand why society is experiencing issues with men's mental health and how we can fix it
- *Know what their sons went through in The Man Cave program
- *Have tangible skills, language and principles they can use with their sons at home

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