



Benalla P-12 College

Executive Principal - Tony Clark

Monday 19th August, 2019

Edition #23

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.

Scholarships

Thankyou and well done to all those students who have put in applications for our 2020 scholarships. This is another great opportunity to recognise excellence at the school and there is plenty of that across a range of grades and year levels. All students who have applied will sit two academic tests this week. Shortlisted students will be contacted after that for an interview.

Staffing

Michael Thomas has taken sick leave until the end of the term. His classes will be covered by several different staff for that time. Mitchell Booth will take over as Year 10 Co-ordinator for the next 5 weeks.

Nina Hanna will continue in the Grade 1/2 class at Waller Street until the end of the year. This is great news for us and for the students in the grade.

PNG AusConnect Program

As mentioned previously, we have been selected to take part in an exchange program with some schools in PNG. These coming holidays, a small team of staff and students will travel to PNG to take the first steps in this program. Assistant Principal Reno Lia will lead the trip with Sangeeta Vashishta and Teagan Vogel also attending as staff members. There were a number of students who expressed their interest in taking part and two have been selected – Ed Mentiplay-Smith and Ebony Mathieson of Year 11. Congratulations to them and well done to all of the students who put themselves forward as candidates.

Duty of care

Teachers have a legal responsibility to ensure that students are safe and reasonable attempts are made to protect them from foreseeable harm. This is called 'duty of care'. When a student leaves the classroom or school grounds without permission, we must act quickly and reasonably to ensure they return to school or their room as soon as possible. In this situation, if a student does not come back to class as directed, or remains outside the school grounds, we are bound to contact parents or emergency contacts to come and collect them. Please understand that when we do this, it is because we are unable to exercise our duty of care adequately.

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

DATES TO REMEMBER

MON 19TH – TUES 20TH AUG

5/6 Hub- Life Education Van

WED 21ST AUGUST

Uniform Shop Located at the Faithfull St Campus- 3pm-5pm

THURS 22ND AUGUST

1.40 pm- "Us Mob" Flag raising Ceremony-Faithfull St Campus

TUES 27TH AUGUST

9.30am – Learning Walk
Transition for Year 4 students
transitioning to Year 5

WED 28TH AUGUST

Year 8 Outdoor Ed- Warby
Ranges Bushwalk.

COMPASS NEWS

EXCURSIONS

Recently Benalla P-12 turned on a new feature of the Compass Portal. Parents are encouraged to log on to the Compass Portal to sign consent for upcoming excursions relevant to their child and make any necessary payments. If you require assistance in logging into Compass please contact your campus office.

Our College Values

Respect
Responsibility
High Expectations
Integrity

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE CONTINUED.....

Faithfull Flag Raising

This Thursday at 1.40pm there will be an important flag raising event at the Faithfull Campus. Our indigenous student group, known as 'Us Mob', have organised for the installation of 3 flag poles at the front of the school (very kindly donated by the Benalla Gilding Club). These flag poles will fly the National, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags. Thursday's ceremony is to raise them for the first time. There will be some speakers talking about the significance of this event, and all parents and community members are welcome to attend.

Buildings and Grounds

Avon Street Fire Service works have started and fencing is in place. This will move progressively around the campus as the work continues. Thankyou to parents for your patience as this essential work is completed.

The demolition of the old 'E Block' at Faithfull was delayed as asbestos was found in the footings of the building. It is perfectly safe and fully encapsulated as it is, but does need to be removed. This will most likely take place on a weekend in early September. The school will be off limits to everyone during that time. Once that is done, over the coming holidays there will be further works to cover and landscape the site.

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ATTENDANCE

Every day counts, even when your child is anxious

How can I tell if my child has anxiety?

Signs of anxiety include;

- Having lots of worries and a strong need for reassurance
- Psychosomatic symptoms which occur before school(e.g. Nausea, stomach aches, headaches etc)
- Crying, being clingy or fidgeting when nervous.
- Sleep problems such as difficulty falling to sleep, nightmares or trouble sleeping alone
- Fear and avoidance of a range of different issues and situations.

If you feel your child is experiencing anxiety and not wanting to come to school, please speak with your child's teacher, or contact one of our student wellbeing team members who can offer assistance and make recommendations about professional support if needed.

Help us to help you, please contact one of our Wellbeing team, Craig, Bron, Lou or Scott to assist with your child and their attendance.

- Avon St Campus -Scott Greig 5762 1646
- Waller St Campus -Bron Greig 5762 2600
- Faithfull St Campus -Lou McCloskey 5761 2777
- Senior Campus -Craig Carley 5761 2777

Email: benalla.p12@edumail.vic.gov.au

Web: www.benallap12.vic.edu.au

Avon St

Yrs F-4

P: 035762 1646

Attendance Hotline

035762 1646

Waller St

Yrs F-4

P: 035762 2600

Attendance Hotline

035762 2600

Faithfull St

Yrs 5-6 Hub

P: 035761 2752

Attendance hotline

035761 2747

Faithfull St

Yrs 7-12

P: 035761 2777

Attendance Hotline

035761 2747

AVON ST CAMPUS NEWS

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Avon street students of the week are: Indy, Thomas, Ben, Aeryn, Brayden and Charlotte



GOLDEN SHOVEL AWARDS



Our first Golden Shovel awards went to Indy Stovell, Leila Fischer, Angus Woodward and Sophie Winkler.

Red Apron award winners were Harry Bowen and Damon Freake.

COMPASS PARENT PORTAL

Did you know you are now able to approve or enter upcoming or past absences for your son/daughter via the parent portal on Compass? If you don't have access to Compass please see Karen at the office for your login details.



AVON STREET SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Orders are due in by **9.00am Monday 26th August**

Scholastic Book orders have been distributed to students. To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP. Three easy steps can be found on the back page of the catalogue.

If paying by cash please ensure correct money and details are placed in a zip lock bag. Please make cheques 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

BOOK WEEK
MON 19TH – FRI 23RD
AUGUST

READING
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BOOK PARADE

Tuesday 20th
August -9am

Come dressed
as your favourite
book character!



FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

We are inviting all Fathers and Grandfathers to come and join us for a special egg and bacon roll breakfast.

Date: Friday 30th August
Time: 7.30am to 8.30am
Cost: FREE

What you need to bring:
*Students to share breakfast with Fathers/Grandfathers and Carers.
*A big appetite.

RSVP: 5762 1646 before
Friday 23rd August
*for catering purposes.



AVON ST CAMPUS NEWS

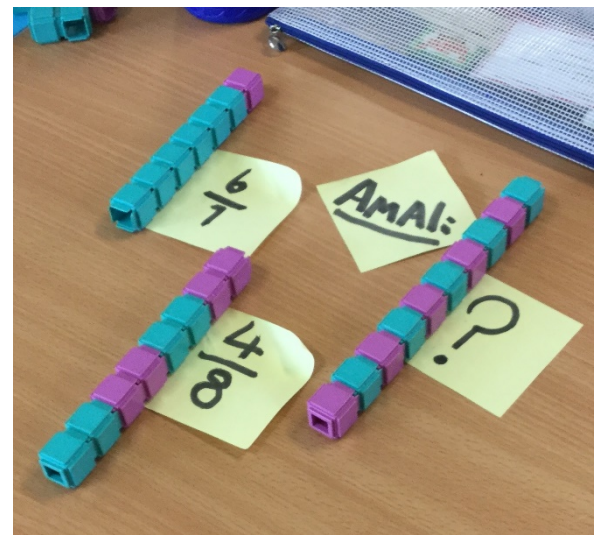
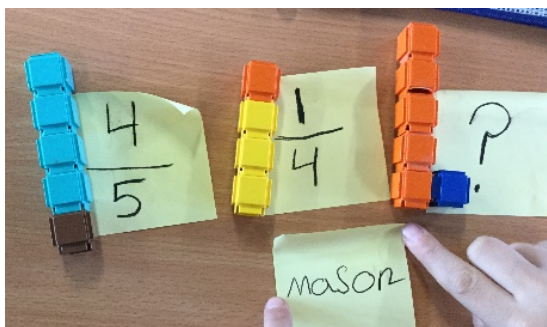
SAKG- GARDEN CLASSES

This week saw the first official garden classes for the Year 3/4 students at Avon St. The students were very enthusiastic to be actually working in the garden after earning their garden licenses.



FRACTION MUSEUM

This week in Year 3/4 we began a unit on Fractions. We created a Fraction Museum. We had to make a number of fraction exhibits, label them and then make a mystery exhibit for a friend to solve.



WALLER ST CAMPUS NEWS

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to our Student of the Week recipients:
Back L-R: Maycee, Kiera, Charlotte, Ariella and DJ
Front L-R: Jaxson, Angus, Lily and Hayley



GOLDEN SHOVEL AWARD



The Golden Shovel Awardees were:
Back L-R: Tallulah, Athena, Arni, Jordi, Bella and Ella
Front L-R: Ruby, Jackson, Joel, Kyle and Harry

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WOW AWARD

In Mr Clark's absence, Mrs Leary presented the WOW Work Awards to:
Jake and Ruby



SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Students and parents are reminded that Scholastic Book Club orders must be submitted online through Scholastic Book Club Loop Orders by Wednesday 4th September 2019. Details re ordering are located on the second last page of the catalogue.



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5/6 HUB NEWS

YEAR 6 STEM

Students in Year 6 are working to create a water / wind turbine, as part of their exploration and understanding of fossil fuels in Renewable Energy Science.



HISTORIANS IN THE MAKING

As part of the National Museum of Australia's Defining Moment exhibition, our Year 9 and 10 students were invited to research our local history. Their research efforts were filmed by Tim Gurry and Kevin Manning from Ryebuck Media and will be included in a digital classroom app that will show students around Australia how to investigate their own local history.



Cheyane Vaughan and Andre McLean-Frankling gained experience wearing mics and taking camera directions as they described the significance of the conservation efforts at Winton Wetlands.

Zoe Thomson and Lachlan Sands made new discoveries about the history of the Faithfull Massacre and how the event has been remembered in our history books. Sara Green investigated the origins and development of the Benalla CFA and shared her knowledge confidently with the camera crew. Taree Fletcher, Dylan Brain and Scarlet Lowe were able to film at the Benalla Aviation Museum and learn more about Benalla's contribution to training cadets for WWII and the efforts of the volunteers that run the museum. Evan Willett and Zoe Grundy investigated the significance of migration in Benalla and more widely in Australia through the photographic exhibition at the Benalla Migrant Camp BARC Hut 11.

Altogether, the students gained new skills in researching and presenting information and developed a deeper appreciation for Benalla's local history. In a few weeks they will see a prototype of the app and no doubt we will be impressed by how well spoken and informed they were.



DR & NURSE SERVICE

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EVERY TUESDAY

9AM - 12:30PM

CALL OR TEXT MESSAGE FOR APPOINTMENT:

0427752398

Private, confidential & free



Alternatively you can arrange an appointment by seeing Craig Carley or turn up to the surgery during the walk in sessions from 10:30 to 11:15

NAIDOC WEEK FLAG RAISING CEREMONY

Faithfull St Campus will be having a NAIDOC flag raising Assembly for all Years 5-12 students and staff at 1.40 on Thursday 22nd August. This is a special event for our school to promote recognition and respect for everyone in our school community.

Students and staff in the ATSI "Us Mob" group have worked on this project for over 12 months with the support of School Council and other community organisations.



AUTO NEWS

Our Automotive department is looking for any old, broken or worn out lawn mowers and/or small engines for students to work on.

Please contact Mr Rogers for more information.



HANDS ON LEARNING NEWS

WINTON WETLANDS



The Hands on Learning students continue to contribute to the revegetation of the Winton Wetlands. The planted area was once a Red Gum forest and swamp, today it has only dead trees standing. The Red Gum seedlings that the students planted will become a source of seed in years to come and hopefully reforest these swampy areas. The students worked in small teams to plant, fertilise and guard the trees to protect them from the kangaroos that are thriving within the site.

It is always a

pleasure for us to be part of this important work in our local neighbourhood.

HANDS ON LEARNING



AFTER SCHOOL CARE NEWS



HANNAH MADE A TOWER OUT OF FOAM BLOCKS.

DARCEY ENJOYS PLAYING WITH KINETIC SAND.



COMMUNITY NEWS

PARENT AND RELATIONSHIP EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Tuning in to kids- emotionally intelligent parenting (2-10 years)

Friday 16th August-13th September

10am-12pm

Gateway Health

Room F1

45-47 Mackay St, Wangaratta

Call to Book 035723 2000

"Whatever" Adolescent Parenting (2hr workshop)

10.30am-12.30pm

Thursday 19th September

Gateway Health- room F1

45-47 Mackay St, Wangaratta

Call 5723 2000 to Book your place.

REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!

EMBARK ON THE MOST AMAZING ADVENTURE!

Read as much as you can throughout August and help kids who have a parent living with MS.

www.msreadathon.org.au

Benalla Rose City Band



Benalla Mechanics' Brass Band 1899

2019 Annual Concert

Benalla Performing Arts and Convention Centre – BPACC

2pm, 25th August 2019

All proceeds of ticket sales to

Tomorrow Today Foundation

Tickets: \$10 Adult \$5 Student/Child

Available from Rose City Band – Tomorrow Today Foundation – At the door



Benalla Proud & Deadly Awards 2019

The Benalla Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Committee along with our sponsors will be hosting our second Proud and Deadly Awards Ceremony for 2019

Our Committee and students would appreciate your attendance for this event

WHEN: Wednesday 4th September
11am - 1pm

WHERE: Benalla Town Hall
82 - 86 Nunn Street

For more information, please contact:
Jessica Moubourne on 0429 160 926
moubourne.jessica.j@edumail.vic.gov.au



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Young Driver Program - it's all about attitude

A thought provoking, confronting and informative road safety program with advice on a wide range of topics for young drivers.
Presented by Benalla Police and local agencies

Safe driving for life - it's all about ATTITUDE!

WEDNESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER, 2019

Benalla Performing Arts & Convention Centre (BPACC)

Arrive at 6.30pm for a 7.00pm start | Free entry

Enquiries contact:

Leading Senior Constable

Paula Allen (03) 5760 0200

Senior Constable

Mark Kennedy (03) 5760 0200



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This website offers comprehensive online resources for our parents, staff and our school community. It is packed full of articles, videos, resources that is at your fingertips. There is a comprehensive program of webinars for parents/carers to link into parenting webinars at no cost. If you would like more information and to join on this website please go to www.parentingideas.com.au

The third webinar this year is on

Creating 21st Century rites of passage -Webinar

Rites of Passage have always been a significant part of community life, until now. Each stage of a person's life was marked and celebrated including the significant step of moving into adulthood.

The shift from childhood to adulthood has always been marked by a rite of passage, which represents entry to the adult world and the rights that go with it. This new set of rights is also accompanied by a responsibility to serve and contribute to the community.

The loss of healthy rites of passage

For many young people Schoolies Week, the annual Year 12 endless party, is the only rite of passage they have. The loss of meaningful rites of passage is having disastrous consequences on young people.

Too often we see young men in their twenties and beyond acting like boys in constant need of acknowledgement from their peers, dodging responsibility and still seeking approval from their mother. Many young women are stuck in perpetual adolescence, more worried about how they look than how they can contribute to their communities.

Adults have a role to play

It's the role of adults to recognise and bring out children's strengths and natural gifts so they can contribute fully to their communities as adults. One of the most significant roles of the elderly is to care for and pass on wisdom to the young. Not surprisingly in the past it has been the elders who were responsible for overseeing the Rites of Passage and their timely delivery.

Rites of Passage are not supposed to be done in isolation. As a child becomes a young adult parents also need to take a step and move to the next stage in their lives. Each new stage of development for a child or young person represents a new beginning for parents as well.

Unfortunately, elderhood is not highly coveted or respected in these modern times and there is a global marketing campaign telling us that youth is the desirable and only really acceptable life stage. When adulthood is not fully appreciated or understood, then it's little wonder that many young people are hanging on to their adolescence well into their twenties. Some never make the leap into adulthood.

Families and communities can rediscover the notion of rites of passage and begin to invent their own pathways to adulthood, complete with markers and appropriate recognition. They can put their own celebrations in place that mark significant ages, and the all-important transition to adulthood. These celebrations should include a bringing together of significant adults and a passing on of wisdom and stories from past generations to a young person. These rites of passage can be creative, must be inclusive and need to be appropriate to each family or community situation.

As your school has a membership with Parenting Ideas, you can attend the Creating 21st century rites of passage webinar – at no cost!

About the webinar Join Dr Arne Rubinstein as he discusses the importance of rites of passage in the 21st century. In this webinar you'll develop clear guidelines and learn impactful strategies to support you to build strong healthy relationships with your children, bolster their independence and support them in their use of technology in these rapidly changing times.

When Wednesday 28 August 2019 8:00pm AEST.

Price This webinar is \$37 per person to attend, and is free of charge to families at schools that have a membership.

How parents can redeem the voucher

1. Click this link: <https://www.parentingideas.com.au/parent-resources/parent-webinars/webinar-creating-21stcentury-rites-of-passage>
2. Click 'Add to cart'
3. Click 'View cart'
4. Enter the voucher code RITES and click 'Apply Coupon' (valid until 28 September 2019). Your discount of \$37 will be applied.
5. Click 'Proceed to checkout'
6. Fill in your account details. These details are used to login to your account and access your parenting material
7. Click 'Place Order'

Dr. Arne Rubinstein Dr. Arne Rubinstein is an internationally recognised expert on Rites of Passage and adolescent development. He is the author of the best-seller 'The Making of Men' and has won multiple awards for his work including being nominated for Australian of the Year 2008 for his work with youth. Dr Arne is the proud father of two wonderful young men and a mentor to many others.