



Benalla P-12 College

Executive Principal - Tony Clark

Monday 2nd September, 2019

Edition #25

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.

Fathers Day Breakfasts

Happy Fathers Day to all the dads for yesterday. Thankyou to everyone who turned up to the breakfasts at Waller and Avon Street on Friday. Lots of serves of scrambled eggs on toast were dished out to many people and there was a very positive vibe to the morning. Thanks to our Primary Welfare Officers Bron and Scott Greig for organising the event.

Uniform Survey

We are currently conducting a survey of staff, students and parents about our school uniform. This is an opportunity to have a say about the current uniform policy and items and whether or not any changes can be made. Hard copies of the survey are available at any campus office. Please take the time to fill one in and have your input heard.

NAPLAN

Results are overdue but it has been announced they will be available to us online this week. We will send home individual student reports once they have arrived. Staff will begin the process of looking at the data and analysing it to determine any necessary changes to our teaching and learning programs.

Parent Teacher Interviews

As we have done in the past, Parent-Teacher interviews will be held on the Thursday evening and the Friday morning in the last week of term. Bookings are currently open through Compass. If you need assistance making a booking, please call or drop in to any campus office. We encourage all parents to make a booking and come along to see your child's teachers. This strengthens the partnership with home and allows staff to answer questions and provide feedback that will support student learning.



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

DATES TO REMEMBER

MON 2ND SEPTEMBER

Yr 5 Hands On Science Incursion

TUES 3RD SEPTEMBER

Yr 6 Hands On Science Incursion
Southern Ranges Athletics

WED 4TH SEPTEMBER

DARE Program- Select Yr 5 & 6 Students

Proud & Deadly Awards

Coolinda Community Project-
Select Yr 9 students

RSA Course- Select Yr 10, 11 & 12 students

THURS 5TH SEPTEMBER

Taekwondo Session- Select Yr 8 & 9 students

FRI 6TH SEPTEMBER

Respectful Relationships Program- Select Students

MON 9TH SEPTEMBER

Yr 5 Regent Honey Eater Treeplanting Excursion

4pm- Hands On Learning Parent Information Night

MON 9-TUES 10 SEPT

Yr 9 Outdoor Ed- Mt Samaria Hike

TUES 10TH SEPTEMBER

Yr 7- Water In The World Excursion

Our College Values

Respect
Responsibility
High Expectations
Integrity

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE CONTINUED.....

GTAC Excursion

4 students from the Year 12 Biology class travelled to the Gene Technology Centre in Melbourne on Friday to take part in an educational program there. Students were able to speak with Honors students and see the work they were doing, use powerful electron-microscopes and even try Virtual Reality machines that allowed them to experience anatomy in a very real way. This was a great opportunity for these students to see the possibilities in this area. Thanks to staff member Jo Martin for taking the students down.

Student Attitudes to School Survey

I have mentioned a couple of times about our results in the survey this year, and we have recently been able to compare our results to state averages. There are a couple of areas where we are not only improving on previous years results, but are at or above state levels for all schools. One example of this, is Year 4-6 students scored 90% positive endorsement for 'Differentiated Learning Challenge', which was higher than our previous results and the state average of 87%. This tells us that our students are feeling like their teachers are challenging them with the work they present in class. A very pleasing result.

Tony Clark
Executive Principal

ATTENDANCE

EVERY DAY COUNTS, EVEN WHEN YOUR CHILD IS ANXIOUS

ANXIETY AND SCHOOL REFUSAL

School refusing children experience significant emotional distress not only when going to school but also at the thought of going to school; they may be absent from school for weeks or even months at a time. School refusal differs from truancy as children generally stay home with the knowledge of the parents and despite their best efforts to encourage their child to go to school. School refusal can be very distressing for parents who find it very difficult to manage and address; it can cause conflict in the home and disrupts routines. Identifying the cause of school refusal can be difficult and there may be a number of factors that contributes to it. **Early intervention is essential as prolonged absences from school can greatly impact a child's social and emotional development, academic achievement and vocational activities.**

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 one of our student wellbeing team members who can offer assistance and make recommendations about professional support if needed.

Please contact one of our Wellbeing team, Lou, Bron, Craig or Scott to assist with your child and their attendance.

- ☐ Avon/Clark 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

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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

This weeks Students of the Week are Emily, Hayley, Ruby, Jolene, Levi and Beau.



RED APRON AWARDS

Red Apron winners are Amali and Dylan well done to you both.



DAFFODIL DAY FUNDRAISER



Avon F-4 Campus held a fundraiser for the Cancer Council's Daffodil Day. The Student Leadership Group mixed, baked and iced cupcakes which were then sold to some very happy customers. All in all we made \$75.

Here are some of our happy customers...



GOLDEN SHOVEL AWARDS

This week's Golden Shovel awards were presented to Dylan Henshaw and Ruby Simpson.



RAY WHITE AWARD

Congratulations Charli Levy who was this month's Ray White award winner.



WOW AWARD

Mr Clark's WOW award goes to Jolene for her fantastic handwriting.



WALLER ST CAMPUS NEWS

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Congratulations to the Student of the Week Recipients;
Back Row- Camden Auld, Kaleb East, Lucas Edney, Amy Lowe, Shakira Cottier Brown, Liam Bridges, Jakobi Williams, Joel Lewis
Front row-Chelsey Roberts, Wynter Stone, Iza-Bella Reid

GOLDEN SHOVEL AWARD



Golden Shovel award winners: Tayne Symes, Mekayla Halligan, Charli Button, Elizabeth McNair, Alana Moss, Charlie Davies, Hannah McCullabh, Tallulah Hoffmann

BEING BRAVE

The students at the Waller Campus were totally engaged for our actors in the "Being Brave " play. The play provided our students with strategies, such as good communication skills and positive self-talk to help them be more resilient and able to navigate life's ups and downs. The play was a huge success.



WOW AWARD



Mr Clark presented Sophie Harrington with this week's WOW Award.

WALLER ST BOOK PARADE

Last Friday we celebrated Bookweek by dressing up as our favourite book characters and being a part of a fantastic Book Parade in the 3/4 Hub! Everyone knows that being able to read well is a 'Secret Power' that can be used every day of our lives and students and teachers made the most of the opportunity to show case the book characters that have made a big impact on each of us. Check out the photos and see if you can recognise any familiar characters.



WALLER ST CAMPUS NEWS

BOOK PARADE CONTINUED.....

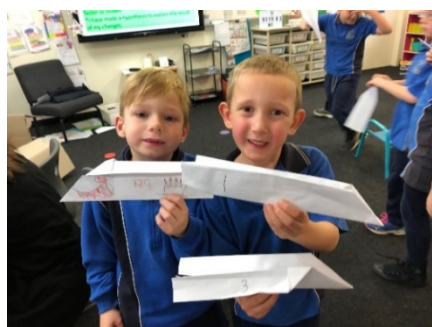


PRIMARY NEWS

SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS

PLANES AND ROCKETS

Students in Years 1-4 have been making planes and rockets, they have been out of this world!! Students have used trial and error, modifying their designs and made hypotheses about why their craft has either flown better or not as well.



WANTED FOR STEM ACTIVITIES

If you have any of the following items and no longer need them, our STEM students would LOVE to use them!

Cardboard tubes (no toilet rolls please), small cardboard packets/boxes, bottle tops, soft drink bottles, egg cartons, plastic or paper plates and corks, small soft drink/water/juice plastic drink bottles or straws.

Please place items in the large boxes in Miss Challis' room at Waller or in Ms Brown's room at Avon

FATHERS DAY BREAKFAST

Fathers Day breakfast was celebrated on Friday at the Waller & Avon Street Campuses with over 150 people attending consisting of dads, uncles, grandparents, parents and our students. There was lots of laughter and chatting while listening to music in the background with a number of children and their dads having a dance. Many thanks to again for the support from staff, arriving early to make toast and scrambled eggs for our families. A huge shout out and thanks to Kate PcPadden for donating over 12 dozen eggs to the Avon and Waller Campuses.



FAITHFULL ST CAMPUS NEWS

VICTORIAN SCHOOL MUSIC FESTIVAL

Our school's second band performance this year at the Victorian School Music Festival occurred on Monday afternoon at Hawthorn Arts Centre. It was the opportunity for our Symphonic Band to perform three prepared pieces and receive an on stage workshop with Associate Professor of Music, Emily Threinen from University of Minnesota in the USA.

The band's performance was of a very high standard and the band received a Silver Performance Award. A special congratulations to our Year 12 musicians, Melanie Stretton, Will Grundy, Willow Plex and Katherine Gervasoni on their final performance at VSMF which they first attended in Year 7!

Well done Symphonic Band, great work

AFTER SCHOOL CARE NEWS

MARLI, ELLY AND HADASSAH,
PLAYING IN THE SANDPIT.



CARLISSA ENJOYS HANGING
FROM THE MONKEY BARS.

SHAVE FOR A CURE

Congratulations Kieran, Adam, Louis and Bailey who helped raise over \$3000 for the Leukemia Foundation World's Greatest Shave!



PROUD & DEADLY AWARDS

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

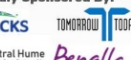
WHEN: Wednesday 4th September
11am - 1pm

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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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

AUDITIONS FOR 2020 ENROLMENT

Are you an active kid? Love sport? Love to run and tumble?
Can you juggle oranges and balance on a fence? Do you love gymnastics? Are your BMX tricks all they could be?

If so, the Flying Fruit Fly Circus would love to invite you to try out for a place in our full-time select-entry circus training course in 2020.

This is a unique opportunity to become a member of Australia's National Youth Circus. The Flying Fruit Fly Circus has an international reputation as a performing arts company and a centre of training excellence. Circus encourages young people to learn through teamwork, physicality and by challenging themselves. Fruit Fly young acrobats undertake their education at the dedicated Flying Fruit Fly Circus School (years 3 – 9) and Wodonga Senior Secondary College (years 10 – 12) which have a proud history of high academic achievement.

Dates: General auditions Monday 30 September 9am – 12pm
Transition Training Program: Tuesday 1 – Wednesday 2 October 9.30am – 12pm Or via video

Venue: Flying Fruit Fly Circus, 605 Hovell St, Albury

Time: 9am – 12pm

Ages: Children entering Year 3 – 12 in 2020

For more information about auditions, including auditioning by video, please head to www.fruitflycircus.com.au/auditions

Please call 02 6043 0777 or email info@fruitflycircus.com.au if you have any questions.

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CoolHeads

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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Leaving your fathering mark

by Michael Grose



Currently, there's a strong tendency to view successful fathering through the lens of skills and knowledge acquisition. That is, to raise kids today effective fathers, like mothers, need to keep building their skill sets (*What's the most appropriate way to manage kids today?*) and their knowledge (*What's the latest research about the impact of digital technology on children?*). Staying one step ahead can be exhausting and make a man feel inadequate if he can't keep up.

Another way to look at fathering is through the generative parenting lens. That is, fathering is an activity that's rooted in a man's biology in much the same way that mothering is an instinctive activity. If the mothering instinct is to nurture and protect children, a father's instinct is to teach and develop his children's skills and knowledge so they can thrive long after the time he's left this world.

The generative fathering notion developed by researchers Dollahite, Hawken and Brotherson explains why many men will turn a simple game they have with their children into a lesson into how to hold a ball; defeat that opponent or stand firm in the face of fear. Father-son relationships can be scuppered by this well-intentioned, but oft mistimed 'you can always get better' attitude.

Generative fathers tend to look long term when they raise their kids. Quintessentially, generative fathers work hard to be good men and good citizens. Love, availability and character become their fathering stock in trade.

Generative fathers keep pace with their children's development adjusting their role at different stages. For instance, during a child's latency (primary school years) they focus on recreational work and so they help develop children's interests and competencies through sport, hobbies and leisure activities. The task for generative fathers of early adolescents is to help their children develop strong values and inner beliefs. This spiritual work (not necessarily in a religious sense) helps young people develop the moral compasses they need to act safely and be good citizens when fathers aren't around.

For generative parents, fathering becomes a lifelong task, and doesn't stop when children become adults, leave home and start families of their own. It is in this stage that men take on mentoring work, passing on the wisdom gained from their experiences to the next generation so that they don't repeat the same mistakes that they have made. Fathering never stops. It changes with the development of your children.

This Father's Day, while enjoying the accolades and attention that will come your way consider the generational impact you are having on your kids.

Your lasting fathering legacy will be determined by the character you display; the way you live your life and how

you relate to your family. Those are attributes that you can continue to work on over the coming twelve months.

You will find more information about generative fathering in my book *A Man's guide to raising kids* at

www.parentingideas.com.au



Michael Grose

Michael Grose, founder of Parenting Ideas, is one of Australia's leading parenting educators. He's the author of 12 books for parents including *Spoonfed Generation* and the best-selling *Why First Borns Rule the World and Last Borns Want to Change It*. His latest release *Anxious Kids*, was co-authored with Dr Jodi Richardson.