

Benalla P-12 College

Executive Principal - Tony Clark



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

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of the Benalla P-12 College Community,

As we start the first full week of remote learning 2.0, I hope you are all managing well and getting the support you need. It is going to be a tough time again but we can all do this and get through it ok. There are plenty of people here at school who can support you if you need it, so please get in touch if you do.

Here is a reminder of what students should be doing during the day for remote learning:

P-4 students: complete each days work as set out in the hardcopy pack sent home last Friday. About 45 minutes literacy (reading, writing and spelling), 30 minutes of maths and daily PE. There will also be weekly specialist activities to do – Art and Indonesian.

5-6 students: log on to Google Classroom each day and see the work set for that day. Reading, writing, spelling/grammar as well as maths. There will also be some daily PE and specialist activities such as Art, Music and Indonesian.

7-12 students: all secondary students should follow their normal timetable and log on to each lesson to have attendance recorded. Work will be sent out via Google Classroom and may be accompanied by slides of information, pre-recorded videos and in some cases, live videoconferencing with the teacher. All students should be receiving feedback on one piece of assessment every week for each class by the teacher. All students should also be trying as much as possible to develop and maintain a routine at home which includes eating well, exercising and getting plenty of sleep.

ON SITE SUPERVISION

On site supervision will be available for Years F-6 at the Waller St Campus and 7-10 at the Faithfull Street Campus for children whose parents cannot work from home.
If you would like your child to attend.

Please call Mr Clark to discuss your application
0436 324 412

Email: benalla.p12@education.vic.gov.au
Web: www.benallap12.vic.edu.au

Avon St	Waller St	Clarke St	Faithfull St
Yrs F-4	Yrs F-4	Yrs 5-6 Hub	Yrs 7-12
P: 035762 1646	P: 035762 2600	P: 035761 2752	P: 035761 2777
Attendance Hotline	Attendance Hotline	Attendance Hotline	Attendance Hotline
035762 1646	035762 2600	035761 2747	035761 2747

Our College Values

Respect

Responsibility

High Expectations

Integrity

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE CONTINUED.....

Online safety - Staff have been spoken to about ensuring they are maintaining safe online environments for students and themselves. Parents can support these safe environments too in a number of ways:

- Ensure students are set up in an area of the home where they can be supervised.
- Making sure students are dressed appropriately for online sessions.
- Encouraging appropriate online behaviour.

Temperature Testing – last week I posted on Compass that we would be temperature screening all students coming on-site for daily supervision. This is a quick and non-intrusive procedure that helps identify fever, which can be a symptom of COVID-19. This will continue every day until further notice.

VCE students – some of you may have heard the Minister for Education, James Merlino, announce on Friday that the VCAA would be implementing some changes to support students in Year 12 and those completing a Unit 3/4 subject this year. There are no details as yet but it was proposed that all students would receive special consideration in light of the disruptions this year, to ensure that their end of year results are a fair and accurate reflection of their effort.

Technology – we have distributed over 200 devices to students and families, including laptops, iPads and internet dongles. Secondary students in particular need a device to work from, so if you have not yet arranged one for your child please get in touch.

Keep checking Compass and Facebook for updates, and stay safe.

Tony Clark
Executive Principal

2021 PREP ENROLMENTS ARE NOW OPEN

Do you or a friend have a younger child due to start school next year? We are currently accepting enrolments for prospective 2021 prep students and their families. Please contact our Avon and Waller Street Campus to register your interest.

Avon Street-5762 1646
Waller Street –5762 2600



Staying Connected

Please make sure you log into your Google Classrooms at the start of each lesson and answer the attendance question.

Every Monday read this newsletter. It will update you on latest advice and arrangements for the week.

Weekly Year Level Assemblies via WebEx on Tuesdays:

Year 12, Year 11 and Year 10 at 11:30

Go to your Year Level Google Classroom and click on the link.

All Year 10—12 students should now be connected.

Course Counselling for 2021

Current Year 10 and 11 students need to have parent/carer/student/Counsellor meetings to discuss and submit their 2021 Course on Wednesday August 12. Please book these on compass. Interviews will be conducted either by phone or WebEx (you decide). There are recorded Powerpoints on 'Course Information' and 'How to complete the paperwork' as well as spare selection sheets and speed dating Powerpoints for Year 10 into 11 all on your Year Level Google Classrooms. Please make sure you are prepared for your meetings. In preparation for your meeting you need to email your counsellor a copy of your selection sheets along with your preferred method of meeting by the end of Tuesday August 11.

Please note—Wednesday August 12 is no longer a pupil free day so you also need to log in to each of your classes, answer the attendance question and complete the work assigned.

Tips For Remote Learning

1. Staying organized and having a strong routine are crucial. Structure your day like a normal school day. You need to log in to your subject Google Classrooms at the start of each lesson and answer the attendance question. This is how we are marking the roll this time so this is critical for your attendance.
2. Set up a space where you can work uninterrupted.
3. Have a recess and lunch break at the school time and in this break try to get a bit of exercise/fresh air.
4. Look after your well being. Make sure you connect with your friends and have some fun.
5. Constant media coverage can keep you in a heightened state of anxiety—try to limit related media exposure and focus on factual information from reliable, trustworthy sources of information.

Final Message : We can do this!! Ms Martin

IMPORTANT 2021 COURSE SELECTION INFORMATION

Dear Parents/Carers,

Due to the stage 3 COVID-19 restrictions in place, we are unable to hold the Course Counselling interviews onsite as planned for Wednesday August 12. Instead, we will hold them either via WebEx or by phone. It is critical that this process goes ahead to ensure your child has the correct course for 2021.

Completing this work remotely is not ideal, however we have endeavoured to provide as much assistance as possible. You and your child need to make sure you do the following in preparation for counselling:

- Read the Senior School Course Handbook 2021 – available on the website and Year Level Google Classroom.
- Watch the Course Information Session Power point available on the Year Level Google Classroom
- Current Year 10 and 11 students watch the Paperwork Power point on the Year Level Google Classroom
- Research possible careers and pathways
- Complete all paperwork
- Log on to Compass and make an appointment time with the designated Course Counsellors for Wednesday August 12
- Send an email to the Course Counsellor prior to Wednesday with the completed selection sheet attached (you can either take a photo or scan it) and your preferred method of meeting (via WebEx or speaker phone).
 - ◊ Teachers will then send the link to the WebEx meeting. At your appointment time, please click on the link provided. Please ensure you do not enter before your allocated time as you will interrupt another families' meeting. Keep in mind we will also have to finish at the appropriate time to allow for this process.
 - ◊ Please provide the preferred mobile number if the meeting is via phone.

Please note that the day is no longer classified as a Year 9 to 11 pupil free day so students will need to log on to their Google Classrooms as per a normal school day.

The selection of the appropriate course is vital to the success of your child and their future pathways. We look forward to working with you at this exciting time in your child's education. Any queries please do not hesitate to contact me via email.

Yours Sincerely,

Jo Martin
Senior Sub School Leader
Joanne.martin@education.vic.gov.au

Tony Clark
Executive Principal



Reminder: Aspire – Early Admissions Program to La Trobe

Year 12 students applying for La Trobe's **Aspire Program** are reminded that applications close on **31 August 2020**. A reminder that applicants are required to provide information about the length and frequency of their community service and/or volunteering experience, as well as a 400-word description of their involvement and impact.

Types of volunteering include – and can be from activities that you've done prior to 2020

community service or community group activities
 religious/cultural group activities
 participating in social justice groups or a school leadership role
 leadership in sport, the performing arts or charity fund-raising group activities

Early Conditional Offers will be released mid-September. Further details can be found at <https://www.latrobe.edu.au/study/aspire>

VTAC Year 10, Year 11 and Year 12 Guides 2020 – available online



These guides are designed to lead students through the course research and application processes, with the expectation that it will make it as straight forward as possible for students. So, Year 11 students will benefit by use it to plan, research, and make tentative decisions, whilst the Year 12 students will use it to plan, research, decide, and apply. The publications provide information on key dates, *how the application process works, useful tips on scholarships, VTAC personal statements*, and much more! Click on the links to access the guides.

Year 10 <https://www.vtac.edu.au/y10guide.html> Year 11 <https://www.vtac.edu.au/y11guide.html> Year 12 <https://www.vtac.edu.au/y12guide.html>

VICTORIAN CURRICULUM AND ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY



What is VET in the VCE?

VET stands for Vocational Education and Training, and vocation refers to work or employment. **VET in the VCE** programs are designed to give students an exposure to practical skills and an understanding of what it is like to 'learn through doing'. So, students can opt to do a VET subject while completing their VCE and, in most cases, the VET qualification contributes towards the VCE and the ATAR.

Visit <https://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/curriculum/vet/Pages/index.aspx>



CASPer Entry Requirements for Teacher Qualifications

CASPer is an online test designed to assess an applicant's personal and professional attributes. **CASPer** is a requirement of applying to many initial teaching training courses in Victoria. Head to <https://takecasper.com/> to find out more.

Most universities offering undergraduate teaching courses will be requiring students sit the **CASPer** online test as part of the selection into teaching degrees in 2021. Students are encouraged to browse [VTAC](https://www.vtac.edu.au/) and learn which courses will require the **CASPer** for selection.



ATTEND TODAY
 ACHIEVE TOMORROW

INSTITUTION	DATE	TIME	CONTACT DETAILS
Australian Catholic University Melbourne Campus Virtual Tour Ballarat Campus Virtual Tour	Sat 29 August Sat 5 September Sat 12 September	9am -3pm 9am -3pm 9am – 3pm	1300 275 228 Email: opendayvic@acu.edu.au Register for any of the three Open Days at https://openday.acu.edu.au/AskACU – students can call, submit an online question, or start a chat
Australian National University Virtual Tour	Sat 22 – 28 August	Various times	https://www.anu.edu.au/events/anu-open-day
Bond University Virtual Tour	Sat 25 July	1pm – 5pm	1800 074 074 https://bond.edu.au/open-day
Collaris	Sat 29 August		https://www.collaris.edu.au/open-day
CQUniversity	Sat 1 August Sat 15 August	10am – 1pm	13 27 86 https://www.cqu.edu.au/courses/future-students/future-study-options/open-days
Charles Sturt University	6 - 17 Sept (select days)	Various times	https://study.csu.edu.au/life/events/open-day
Deakin University & Deakin College All Campuses	Sun 16 August	9am – 4pm	1800 334 733 https://www.deakin.edu.au/openday (03) 9244 5197 Deakin College
Federation University Virtual Tour	Sun 16 August		1800 333 864 https://federation.edu.au/openday
Griffiths University Nathan Campus Virtual Tour Gold Coast Campus Virtual Tour	Sun 9 August	9am – 2pm	1800 677 728 https://www.griffith.edu.au/open-day
Holmesglen Institute All Campuses Virtual Campus and Study Tours	6 August	Various times	1300 639 888 Online bookings are essential www.holmesglen.edu.au/opendays
La Trobe University & La Trobe College Melbourne Campus Virtual Tour Shepparton Campus Mildura Campus Albury-Wodonga Bendigo Campus Virtual Tour	Sun 2 August Sun 23 August Sun 23 August Sun 23 August Sun 23 August	10am–4pm 10am–3pm 10am- 3pm 10am- 3pm 10am – 3pm	1300 135 045 Register to participate at http://www.latrobe.edu.au/openday (03) 9479 2417 La Trobe College
Monash University & Monash College	Sat 29 August Sun 30 August Mon 31 August	10am – 2pm 10am – 2pm 4pm – 7pm	1800 666 274 www.monash.edu.au/openday (03) 9903 4788 Monash College
Photographic Studies College	Sun 2 August	tbc	(03) 9682 3191 or 1300 818 777 https://www.psc.edu.au/study-with-us/psc-virtual-open-day.html
RMIT Bundoora, City & Brunswick Campuses	Sat 8 & Sun 9 August	10am – 3pm	9925 2260 www.rmit.edu.au/openday
SAE Qanlm South Melbourne Campus	Sun 30 August	11am – 2pm	1800 723 338 https://sae.edu.au/news-and-events/events/melbourne-campus-open-day-16-august-2020/?date=2020-08-16&id=558
Swinburne University Hawthorn Campus Virtual Tour	From Wed 12 August	Various times	1300 SWINBURNE http://www.swinburne.edu.au/openday/
Torrens University	On demand	On demand	1300 575 803 https://www.torrens.edu.au/about/virtual-open-day
University of Melbourne Parkville and Southbank Virtual Tour	Sat 5 – Sun 6 Sept		1800 801 662 https://study.unimelb.edu.au/openday
University New South Wales (UNSW) Canberra Campus (ADFA) Virtual Tour Sydney Campus Virtual Tour	Sat 22 August Sat 5 September	9am 4pm 9am -4pm	1300 864 679 https://www.events.unsw.edu.au/event/adfa-open-day https://www.events.unsw.edu.au/event/unsw-open-day-0
University of Tasmania Virtual Presentation	28 – 30 August	10am – 5pm	https://www.utas.edu.au/open-day
Victoria University Footscray Park Campus Virtual Tour City Flinders Campus Virtual Tour City Queen Campus Virtual Tour	Sat 29 August	12pm – 6pm	1300 842 864 https://www.vu.edu.au/open-day-2020
William Angliss Institute of TAFE	Sat 1 & Sun 2 August	tbc	1300 264 5477 https://www.angliss.edu.au/study-with-us/meet-us/OpenDay/



ONLINE -Tuning into Kids

A 5 week program via **ZOOM** for parents/carers of children 2-10 years of age that helps you tune into your children's emotions and manage their behaviour.

Learn about:

- "Emotion coaching" - helping children to understand and regulate their emotions.
- Responding to your children's individual needs in ways that suit the child and the family.
- Problem solving and managing strong feelings.
- Using children's emotional experiences as an opportunity for connection and teaching.



Online via
ZOOM

Time: 10am to 12pm



Wednesday
19th August to 16th
September 2020

What do I pay?

FREE



Bookings Essential

Email:

gerda.schaap
@gatewayhealth.org.au

REMOTE LEARNING AT BENALLA P12 COLLEGE 2.0

A Guide to Online Learning



1 FOLLOW YOUR NORMAL TIMETABLE

- Your teachers will set work to be completed during each lesson a week.
- If you can't remember your timetable reach out to your coordinator.



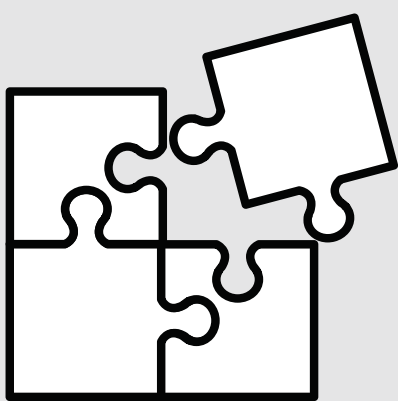
2 SIGN IN EACH DAY

- Students in VCE/VCAL must record attendance for each class every day.
- Students in Years 7-10 must record attendance in their period one class.
- Each subject teacher will keep track of you work completion to help you stay up to date.



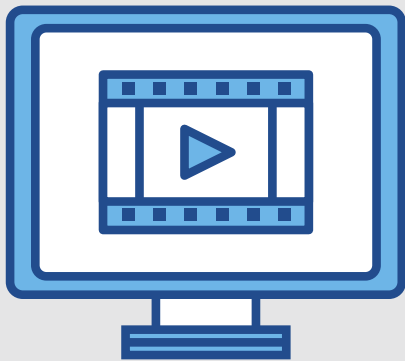
3 NEED HELP?

- Teachers will be available during your scheduled class time via email or Google Classroom.
- IT help can be accessed by emailing helpdesk@benallap12.vic.edu.au



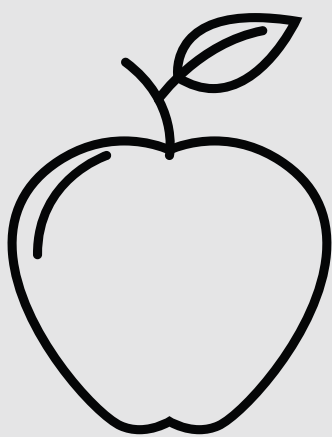
4 SUBMITTING WORK

- Submit your work by the due date set by your teacher. This may be the end of the lesson or later if it is a larger task.
- Upload work to Google Classroom so your teacher can mark it and give you feedback.



5 VIDEO LESSONS

- Once a week your teacher may ask you to attend a video lesson during your scheduled class time. They will be short and used to check in on your progress.
- If your teacher decides to run a live lesson they will send you the information on Google Classroom.



6 LOOK AFTER YOURSELF

- Get outside
- Eat Well
- Exercise
- Stick to a Routine
- Let your teachers/coordinator know if you are getting overwhelmed.