Edition #29

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,

Welcome back to Term 4. We are nearly there. It certainly feels like this second period of remote learning started a long time ago, and I am sure that all parents, students and staff are very keen to get back to 'normal'.

Just a final reminder of our plan for returning students to school:

- All P-6 students will return to face to face learning on Thursday October 8th
- All secondary students will return to face to face learning on Monday October 12th.

In the meantime, students will continue with remote learning – either online or by hardcopy workpack. Supervision is available at each campus this week. Thankyou to those parents who have supported this by using the weekly booking process.

The Department of Education has made it clear that there are three main priorities for this term. These are **mental health and wellbeing, learning and transitions**. We will be working hard to re-engage students and families back into normal schooling, and making sure that students who may have fallen behind have the opportunity to catch up. There will be a strong focus on 'essential skills' in literacy and numeracy classes across all year levels.

Term 4 is always a time of transition and celebration for many students. We will make sure that we can prepare students effectively for the move to the next year level, as well as have the opportunity to celebrate important milestones in a safe and appropriate way. Health and safety of everyone remains a key focus for all of us in the community, and will continue to be a priority here at school. Staff will continue to wear face masks, although they can be removed for teaching, and students at secondary school must wear face masks. Bandanas and scarves are no longer acceptable as face coverings.

Regular hygiene will also be maintained with students and staff expected to sanitise hands regularly throughout the day. Progressive cleaning of all school areas will continue as it has for the past two terms. Temperature testing is no longer required for students at the start of the day.

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Faithfull St

UNIFORM SHOP OPEN DAYS FAITHFULL ST CAMPUS

BENALLA P-12 COLLEGE

- Tuesday 6th October
- 11am-5pm CANCELLED
- Wednesday 7th October
- 11am-5pm CANCELLED
- Tuesday 13th October
- 11am-5pm
- Wednesday 14th October
- 11am-5pm
- Tuesday 20th October
- 11am-5pm
- Wednesday 21st October
- 11am-5pm
- Wednesday November 11th
- 11am-5pm
- Wednesday November 18th
- 11am-5pm
- Wednesday December 2nd 10am-4pm (This will be the last day for the year.)

Orders can also be placed over the phone and delivered to your campus.

Call Judds Yarrawonga on 5744 1269 for any further details

Our College Values

Respect

Responsibility

High Expectations

Integrity

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE CONTINUED......

Visitors to the school are still restricted to those offering essential services or contractors completing work. This means that parents still need to avoid coming on to school grounds unless absolutely necessary. You have all being doing an amazing job with this during remote learning so please continue to call and/or email if you need to contact us.

If your child has a medical vulnerability and you do not wish for them to return to school, please seek medical advice and let us know the outcome.

Many students were loaned devices from the school – iPads, laptops and internet dongles. The Department of Education has said we are to continue to allow students to keep these devices until they finish for the year. We do ask that students continue to take good care of these items and that they bring them to school each and every day and then take them home again. This is important to allow staff to complete assessments in the coming weeks, many of which need a laptop/iPad.

Parent Teacher interviews were planned for week 3 and 4 of this term. The current guidelines do not allow us to hold them face to face, so we will set up a booking system through Compass as normal and conduct phone/video interviews. More details will follow in the coming days.

There is some very exciting news however, that regional schools can resume camps and excursions this term. These have to be only to regional venues and can't involve other schools, but I am sure there will be some activities organised this term for students to take part in.

Our canteen will re-open at Faithfull Street next Monday when secondary students return. Please try and use the Qkr pre-ordering app and remember there are EFTPOS facilities.

It is also important to remember that the statewide mobile phone policy will still be in place when students return. This means that phones need to be locked away during the day and will be confiscated if seen.

I am very much looking forward to seeing our P-6 students back on Thursday, all dressed proudly in school uniform and ready to make a positive start back to school. I know the teachers are excited too and they are busily preparing their rooms and activities to welcome students back to school. Our secondary students won't be far behind them and it will be great to have them all back as well.

If you do have any questions about any of the above information, or anything to do with our return to school plan, please let me know.

Regards, 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.

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YEARS 7-9 FAITHFULL STREET CAMPUS NEWS -REMOTE LEARNING 2.0

Welcome back to Term 4

Welcome back to all Year 7, 8 and 9 students, our first week will be remote learning. Please ensure that you continue to check your google classrooms and follow your normal time table.

Next Monday, 12 of October all secondary students will commence onsite learning. It will be great to see everyone onsite but please ensure that we are still vigilant, continue to have good hand hygiene and wear a face mask. More information will be available as the week progresses.

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.

Other important information can be found on your Year Level Google Classroom.

All Year 7-9 students have been invited to these classrooms.

Kindness 21

On your return to school we will focus on being kind and encourage all to be kind to each other. Here is a link to a short clip about being kind to others:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L-LK_MyvnLA

School for Student Leadership

Next year we have been accepted into the School for Student Leadership during Term 1, this is open to 6 current Year 8 students and must include 3 males and 3 females.

The School for Student Leadership is a Victorian Department of Education and Training initiative offering a unique residential education experience for Year 9 students. The curriculum focuses on personal development and team learning projects.

There will be an information session run next week on Wednesday the 14th of October at 5:30pm for all of those who are interested. This will be run virtually and the link is below.

Wednesday, Oct 14, 2020 5:30 pm

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School Values Awards

Year 7: Mackenzie BICKERDIKE, Rory BUNTINE, Murray DAVIS, Chelsea EDGAR, Meghan GUY, Liam HOWARD, Riley HUPE, Jaxon MCCARTHY, Jack PARKER, Isobel SUTHERLAND, Hamish WILLETT, Keely WILLIAMS, Amber ARMSTRONG, Emily BUITENHUIS, Daisy COLEMAN, Manni D'ARMA, Rebecca HUMPHRIES NORMAN, Sky MCNAUGHTON, Charlotte QUILLIAM, Charlotte ROWLAND-WILLIAMS, Abbie SIMPSON, Alexia SQUIRES, Liam SULMAN, Diesel VELLA, Luke WARD, Aria WINKLER, Deisel BONDIN, Ella BRENNAN, Skylah BULL, Paige DALY, Emily HEDT, Charlie PULLICINO, Abbey-Rose RICHARDS, Brandon SEBALY, Damon VAUGHAN, Euan WINTON, Eloise ARMSTRONG, Koren BONNITCHA, Jaidyn CHEE, Clare COOKE, Amelia FIELDING-ELLIOTT, Mason KOLODZIEJ, Hayden PAULL, Joshua ROBERTSON, Jet RUSSELL, Zach SCHLUTER, Paige SIMPSON, Blake WILSON and Logan WITHEROW

Student of the week: Amber ARMSTRONG, Manni D'ARMA and Blake WILSON

Year 8: Jude BALLANTYNE, Tyler BEGNONE, Jett BUNTINE, Jakob DECKER, Declan FLETCHER, Hailie MADDOX, Cody MARKS, Timothy MATKOVICH-ALLAN, Samantha TEASDALE-POOLE, Tyson TURNER, Yanru ZONG, Teresa CAIRNES, Hayley COOPER, Sunny FREEMAN, Cooper GIBSON, Jemma HAUSNER, Jackson LINDSAY, Rose MATHIESON, Caleb PUTTYFOOT, Lincoln TERRY, Thomas BINION, Lincoln CAMPBELL, Grace COONEY, Max CULLEN, Dakota LINDSAY WHITELAW, Annabelle LOWE, Benjamin SPINKS, Summer WALKER, Max WOODS, Cooper WOODS, Imogen BIDDLE, Hannah BRAIN, Kaylah DEVLIN, Alia HEEPS, Gemma MATHIESON, Jye PASTUSZKA-MCMAHON and Pasan RANATHUN GAMAGE

Student of the week: Jett BUNTINE, Hailie MADDOX, Samantha TEASDALE-POOLE, Yanru ZONG and Teresa CAIRNES

Year 9: Maddison STOW, Jasmine WOODFORD, Anna Jay EVANS, Rylie HAWKING, Larissa MACKAY, Memphis WILLIAMS, Ebony ARMSTRONG, Bailey BICKERDIKE, Maddison BRAIN, Kayla GRACIE, Oliver HALL, Ebony JONES, Joshua LAWRENCE, Jennifer LUDVIGH, Eliza MANNING, Isabelle MARTIN, Tyler MCGREGOR, Nicole PATTERSON, Erin QUIN, William SMITH, Kyle TERMORSHUIZEN, Charlize THOMSON, Waylon WALKER and Ella WILLETT

YEARS 7-9 CAMPUS NEWS -FAITHFULL ST continued...

Student of the week: Maddison STOW, Ebony ARMSTRONG, Maddison BRAIN, Kayla GRACIE, Oliver HALL, Isabelle MARTIN, William SMITH, Kyle TERMORSHUIZEN, Charlize THOMSON, Waylon WALKER

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. Have a recess and lunch break at the school time and in this break try to get a bit of exercise/fresh air.
- 3. Look after your well being. Make sure you connect with your friends and have some fun.
- 4. 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:

Well done to all of those who received school values awards, student of the week and those who attended all classes. Please also watch the video about expected behaviours during online classes. Have a great week.

Mr. Carboon

YEARS 10-12 NEWS -FAITHFULL STREET CAMPUS -REMOTE LEARNING 2.0

Staying Connected

Only one more week of remote learning. Please make sure you log into your Google Classrooms at the start of each lesson and answer the attendance question.

On site learning for 7 to 12 students commences Monday October 12. Please organize your uniform, ready to go.

Year 10 and 11 Assembly will be recorded and posted on your Google Classroom this week at 11:30am. Year 12 VCE and Year 11 Fast trackers assembly will be at 11:30 to discuss the GAT. Please make sure you attend this.

Special Announcements

Year 10 Immunisation

Cards for Immunisation have been mailed home. The actual immunization date is Friday October 30. The cards need to be returned to school by Monday October 19 (you will be back at school to return them).

Year 11 Fast Trackers and Year 12 VCE students. GAT Information

Wednesday October 7, 10:00am—1:15pm in the PAC.

Please make sure you have a good, big breakfast so you have plenty of energy.

Preparation: make sure you have a clear water bottle, student ID card, pens, pencils, rubber, ruler and sharpener in a clear zip lock bag. Dress in school uniform but wear layers. Wear a mask.

Town students arrival: 30 minutes prior (9:30am) to allow temperature testing. Please **do not go to the Senior building**, go to the Year 9 Centre for temperature testing. You must leave school grounds immediately after the GAT.

Bus travelers—please sign in at the office upon arrival. You may work in the Year 9 Centre until 9:30am **do not go in the Senior building**. After the GAT, you must sign out at the office.

Emergency evacuation. This will be discussed at assembly on Tuesday. Emergency evacuation area is at the front of the school in the bus loop.

If you are unwell with virus symptoms you must stay home. Get tested and a medical certificate and contact the school.

Final Message: We can do this!! Ms Martin