Edition #22

## 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 and Carers,

Well the big news is that we are back at school tomorrow which is very exciting. Hopefully the fact that this lockdown was so short means we can get back to 'normal' as soon as possible.

Now that we are heading back, there will be a few things on the radar to look out for. Firstly, the annual Parent Opinion Survey has started. Information about this will be sent out vis email those families who are randomly selected to take part. The survey takes about 20 mins and provides valuable information for us on how we are going in a range of areas. There will be some additional questions this year about flexible and remote learning.

Each year the College offers scholarships to students in Years 5-8 to recognise and promote academic excellence and achievement. The process involves an application, some testing and an interview. This process will start very soon and information will be sent home to students and parents of the relevant year levels.

I would also like to mention a great positive from last week. Our Year 11 and 12 Sport and Recreation and Outdoor and Environmental Studies students finally got to go on their ski camp to Mt. Hotham. They had great snow conditions and perfect weather, but unfortunately were cut short a little by the lockdown announcement on Thursday night.

# Have you moved house or changed your contact details?

It's important that we have up to date contact details on file so in an emergency, or if your child is injured or unwell, we can contact you as quickly as possible.



#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Wednesday August 11

Uniform Shop Open-Faithfull Street Campus 3.00pm-5.30pm

#### Thursday August 12

Victorian School Music Festival

#### Wednesday August 18

- •OES White Water Day –King River
- Senior School Course

Counselling Interviews 8.00pm

### Our College Values

Respect

Responsibility

#### Principals message continued...

The feedback about our students was outstanding. They were all extremely well behaved and brought a very positive attitude to the trip, despite the efforts of getting COVID tested the Monday before leaving. It is always a pleasure to receive this positive feedback about our students. Thankyou to all the students and staff for making the trip such a success, and a special thankyou to organising teacher Mr. Mitchell Booth who is leaving this Friday after several years at the College.

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Regards,

Tony Clark

Executive Principal.



## Register **NOW** For ...2022

Do you or a friend have a younger child due to start school next year? We are currently accepting enrolments for prospective 2022 prep students and their families. Please contact our friendly Avon and Waller Street Campus to register your interest.

Avon Street Campus-5762 1646

Waller Street Campus-5762 2600



# SCHOOL UNIFORM DATES-FAITHFULL ST CAMPUS

3.00-5.30pm

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July Wednesday September 1st.

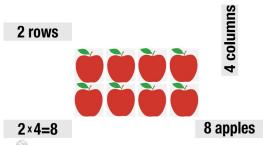
Orders can also be placed over the phone and delivered to your campus.

Call Judds Yarrawonga on

5744 1269 for any further details

#### **AVON ST CAMPUS NEWS**

In 1/2 Annakin we have been learning about Multiplication in mathematics. This week we learnt about arrays. An array in maths is an arrangement of objects, numbers or pictures in columns or rows. We looked at arrays in real life and discovered that lots of buildings have arrays in their windows. We made an array city, making sure the windows were presented as arrays. Learning about multiplication has been so much fun!







# Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

#### **GOLDEN SHOVEL AWARD**



Congratulations Sebastian and Samuel on receiving this weeks Golden Shovel award.





#### WALLER ST CAMPUS NEWS

This week in Numeracy students have begun to revisit days of the week through listening to stories and songs. They have applied their knowledge to a range of activities. Students are working on ordering the days of the week, associating activities to days of the week and naming what tomorrow will be or what yesterday was.





#### YEAR 1/2 HAMMONE

Our class had fun writing our fairytale stories. Some of us wrote about Puss in Boots and how he was chased by a meanie and then got lost in the woods but was finally saved by a snake. Cinderella eventually found her lost puppy and Ariel managed to mend her broken tail. Goldilocks cleaned herself up after she fell in a puddle and Red Riding Hood and Snow White managed to get down from a very high tree.









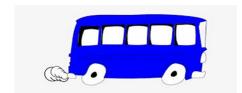
#### UNIVERSITY BUS TOURS

This year, Year 11 and 12 students have the opportunity to visit 4 universities. As these trips are being organised by Tomorrow Today, there is no cost. Students can sign up on the white board outside the Study Centre.

Thursday 12 August

Bus 1: RMIT and La Trobe

Bus 2: Deakin and University of Melbourne



Thursday 9 September

Bus 1: RMIT and La Trobe



#### **UNIVERSITY OPEN DAYS 2021**

#### Getting the most out of an Open Day

Most institutional Open Days are held in late July and August. However, you are more than welcome to contact an institution to arrange a visit any time. Please note that a number of institutions are now only holding virtual open days, so please check their websites for the most up to date information.

#### What happens on an Open Day?

On Open Day you can visit an institution when it's at its best. Everyone is there – academics, lecturers, current students, and information officers. More importantly, you can talk with academics, lecturers, and current students about what certain courses are actually like, and what is required to get into them.

#### Who should attend an Open Day?

Anyone who is considering studying at a tertiary level in the next few years should attend.

#### Why should you attend an Open Day?

Apart from the opportunity to obtain course information there are many other reasons why attending an Open Day is a good idea:

- You are going to feel more comfortable arriving at a university or TAFE institute on the first day of classes if you have been there before.
- What is really involved in the course or courses you are interested in?
- If you have to move away from home, where are you going to live?
- Will you be happier studying in a large metropolitan institution or a smaller, perhaps rural institution?
- What does the place 'feel' like? Is it a bustling environment with lots of activity or a quieter, more relaxed campus set in landscaped grounds?
- How are you going to get there? Is it close to public transport or should you start saving now for a car?

If you don't know the answers to any of these questions, then you should attend an Open Day!

#### How to make the best of Open Days

To make your Open Day visits fun and informative, here are some pointers:

- Write down a list of questions you would like to ask about particular courses.
- Be there early. Crowds tend to develop as the day progresses.
- On arrival, get a map from a central point and ask for directions to the relevant faculties or schools.
- Ask questions!
- Don't spend the day collecting printed information only. Use the opportunity to speak directly with academics before applications close.
- Introduce yourself to selection officers if you feel it is appropriate, but don't be pushy.
- Check out the residential colleges, if available. After all, it is you that will be living there.
- Walk around the campus. Have a good look! See what sporting facilities and other services are available.





#### Getting the most out of a Virtual Open Day

Some institutions are holding a Virtual Open Day will be held in late July and August. However, you are more than welcome to contact an institution at any time for advice on courses.

#### Who should participate in a Virtual Open Day?

Anyone who is considering studying at a tertiary level in the next few years should attend.

#### Why should you attend an Open Day?

Apart from the opportunity to obtain course information there are many other reasons for participating:

- You are going to feel more comfortable arriving at a university or TAFE institute on the first day of classes if you have done your research and found out more about the institution.
- What is really involved in the course or courses you are interested in?
- If you have to move away from home, where are you going to live?
- Will you be happier studying in a large metropolitan institution or a smaller, perhaps rural institution?
- What does the place 'feel' like? Watch Virtual Tours and try gaining an insight into whether or not it is a bustling environment with lots of activity, or a quieter, more relaxed campus set in landscaped grounds?
- How are you going to get there? Is it close to public transport or should you start saving now for a car?

If you don't know the answers to any of these questions, then you should participate in a Virtual Open Day

#### How to make the best of Virtual Open Days

To make your Virtual Open Day activity fun and informative, here are some pointers:

- Write down a list of questions you would like to ask about particular courses if they are not addressed during the virtual event, you can always follow up with the institutions later
- If the event allows Q & A, make sure you ask lots of questions!
- Enjoy the activity!

Not everyone can participate in every Virtual Open Day and various institutions are also holding their Virtual Open Days on the same date, so students are encouraged to register for as many as possible so that even if you miss one, you should receive notifications from the institutions.



#### VTAC UNIVERSITY APPLICATIONS

VTAC applications opened on Monday 2 August, so Year 12 students can now go to vtac.edu.au and make an account, then start the process of putting in preferences and doing SEAS and Scholarship applications.

VTAC are currently running webinars for students are parents on the processes of applying for tertiary study and SEAS/ Scholarship appli-

cations. Please go to <a href="https://vtac.edu.au/events">https://vtac.edu.au/events</a> to register.

Students are encouraged to meet with the Careers Advisor, Molly Craig if they need assistance with any areas of applying.





7 July 2021

Dear Parent, Guardian or Student

Tomorrow Today provides the chance for every young person in Benalla to participate in local sport and recreational activities.

So, if you hold a current Pension Card or Health Care Card and live in the Benalla local government area, your children aged 5 to 19 can have from \$60 to \$130 paid towards their registration costs for a sport or activity in Benalla.

If you already know what sport or activity you would like to do, phone Tomorrow Today on 5762 1211. We will help to organise the registration and payment.

If you have any questions about this project, please call Tomorrow Today on 5762 1211.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

Sally Matheson Education Benalla Program Manager







