

# Benalla P-12 College

Acting Executive Principal - Kylie Cotter

## 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,

It has been a busy but fabulous term. I know we have had many challenges, particularly to do with staffing, I am very appreciative of the support from the school community as we continue to navigate through this.

### School Wide Positive Behaviours

School-wide positive behaviour support (SWPBS) is a framework that brings together school communities to develop positive, safe, supportive learning cultures. SWPBS assists schools to improve social, emotional, behavioural and academic outcomes for children and young people.

This week a team of staff from all campuses will meet with Cameron Furze, the Ovens Murray School-Wide Positive Behaviour Support Coach, to discuss how we can strengthen the use of SWPBS in our school. Around 20 staff have volunteered to work on the team and our first meeting was full of positive conversation on what SWPBS is, how well it works and how we can reinvigorate SWPBS in our school community. SWPBS is data driven and the strategies used in the school are set by the behaviours we are seeing at any given time. The team have set a few initial goals which include assessing where we currently are in regards to SWPBS in the school, reviewing our behaviour matrix, looking at developing small targeted lessons around our school values and expected behaviours in a variety of settings and revamping our rewards system. There will also be consultation with students in the development of some of these areas. Thanks to Kirsty Halligan for leading that team.

### [School for Student Leadership](#)

The School for Student Leadership is a residential Government school program for Year 9 students which enables them to grow into better citizens and leaders through increased self-awareness, social engagement, community connection and environmental stewardship. We have had 5 students, Bronti Mustey, Max Harman, Molly Mathieson, Ryder Levy & Will Herbert- Jeffrey attend this term. Part of the program is for the students to produce a Community Learning Project (CLP). Last Friday Mr Alexander got to visit the campus and see their presentations in person (I got to watch online). Our students did a fabulous job presenting their project in a really engaging way. Their CLP, 'The Fishing Project', seeks to create a healthy ecosystem in our local Lake by eradicating carp.



### DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 3 April

Year 10-12 Parents meet and greet-3.30pm

Tuesday 4 April

Avon Street Easter Hat Parade  
9.00am all welcome

Wednesday 5 April

- Hands on Learning working bee
- Avon Street End of Term assembly-9.00am

A reminder the uniform shop will be closed over the school holidays.

Thursday April 6

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS ARE HERE !!  
End of Term Dismissal  
2.30pm



### Our College Values

Respect  
Responsibility  
High Expectations  
Integrity



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## PRINCIPALS MESSAGE CONTINUED...

Their CLP still has a few finishing touches to go, but as the liaison teacher, Mr Alexander feels they are well on their way to developing a successful event for the local community of Benalla.

Wishing you all a safe and wonderful Easter break,

Kylie Cotter  
Acting Principal

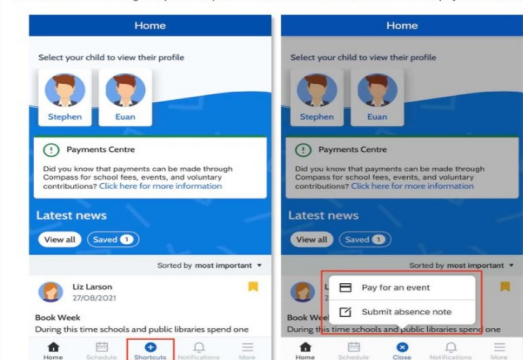


Pictured above are Mr Alexander, Bronti Mustey, Max Harman, Molly Mathieson, Ryder Levy & Will Herbert-Jeffrey

## Adding an attendance note is as easy as 1, 2, 3.....

1. Open Compass App
2. Click on shortcuts
3. Submit attendance note

The 'Shortcuts' button gives parents quick access to add an attendance note or pay for an event.



BENALLA P-12 UNIFORM SHOP  
OPEN DAYS  
FAITHFULL STREET

The Uniform Shop is open  
every  
**Closed during the holidays**  
Wednesday 2.30pm-5.30pm  
&  
Friday 8.00am-12.00pm

Uniforms can be  
ordered through  
the QKR app



### Step 1 Download Qkr!

On your Android phone or iPhone, iPad users can download iPhone app

### Step 2 Register

Select your Country of Residence as 'Australia' and follow the steps to register

### Step 3 Find our School

Benalla P-12 College will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you are within 10km of the school, or search for our school by name.

### Step 4 Register your children

When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them

### You're now ready to order uniforms

- Select Menu
- Click on Uniform
- View menu
- Select items
- Add to cart
- Checkout and pay with credit card



TERM 2 DATES, MONDAY APRIL 24- THURSDAY JUNE 22





Huge Congratulations to Gemma Nolen (pictured left) who was this months Ray White award winner.

Below are our week 9 students of the week.



Don't forget to join Scott each Thursday and Friday morning from 8.30am for breakfast club.





## Social and Emotional Learning in Grade 1/2

This week, students in 1/2 Reaburn/Challman have started to unpack our school values. The first school value that students have started learning about is Respect.

Students have come up with a list of how to respect others including adults and their peers.

Some quotes from our students about how to respect others:

"Treat others the way you want to be treated" – Sophie

"Listening to rules and instructions" – Tyler

"Use kind words" – Ollie

Students will continue to unpack respect in other areas within our school over the next couple of days.



## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK





## National Ride2School Day

Avon and Waller campuses celebrated National Ride2School Day on Friday 24 March 2023. Over half of our students chose to actively travel to school! Raffle tickets were handed out and prizes drawn at both assemblies. National Ride2School Day is the perfect opportunity to kick-start new healthy habits and promote the many benefits of active travel. We hope by celebrating active travel this will encourage all students and their families to leave the car at home and give riding, walking, scooting or skating to school a go.







Pictured right are:

Jack, Miller, Akira, Charlotte, Asha, Sienna and Dillon

Attendance

Samuel, Jazel, Levi, Memphis, Darcy and Eleanor

WALLER STREET STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Students of week 10 pictured below:  
Blake, Jett, Eli, Riley, Harley and Evelyn

Attendance pictured left:  
Mikayla, Maia, Elspeth, Evie, Jonathan, Johnny, Lachlan



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Year 11 Mathematics Foundation organised a Bake Sale with Ms Umar as part of their Unit 1 Mathematics Investigation activity. They baked cakes, cupcakes and cookies and made rum balls in the school kitchen. The kitchen was buzzing with activity and happy sounds of students while baking. We baked more than 100 cookies and cupcakes and some cakes.

Bake Sale was a success with almost all the food sold out. Few groups of students also made profit on the day. The proceedings from the Bake Sale will be used towards a Mathematics Excursion.



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every day counts





Year 7 Technology with Mr Michael. Students have produced some fabulous work with their elephant pencil holders. Learning many new skills over the first term while making some excellent elephant pencil holders. Students have now moved on to learning a few more woodwork skills while completing their cheeseboards. All students have worked very hard over the term to complete their projects.



## THE MATHEMATICAL ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA

### 2023 Mathematics Camp for Year 10 Regional students

Dear Parents and carers,

An opportunity is available for your child to attend the highly sought-after **2023 Mathematics Camp for Year 10 Regional students** hosted by the Mathematical Association of Victoria (MAV). This year, the camp will be held in person in the CBD from **Monday, 26th June to Friday, 30th June**, so students can experience the energy and excitement of being in the heart of Melbourne.

The Maths Camp is designed bring together high potential rural and regional students with a passion for STEM and mathematics and introduce them to the exciting opportunities available in mathematical industries. The MAV has partnered with four mathematical organisations, each of which will provide students with a challenging project investigation. Students will receive daily mentorship from mathematicians and industry experts, ensuring that they get the most out of their experience.

Throughout the camp, students will have the chance to develop **21st-century skills like communication, problem-solving, and creative and critical thinking** as they work in teams to build their project presentations and solutions. Social opportunities will also abound, giving students a chance to engage and collaborate with like-minded peers.

And the best part? There is **NO cost** to students and we will provide:

- Accommodation and all meals.
- All programmed activities, including: access to presentations from Industry representatives.
- Access to mentors who will work with students, including Mathematicians from tertiary sector.
- Social opportunities to engage and collaborate with each other.

*"Our daughter had such a great time! Thank you! She was positively buzzing. Such a wonderful opportunity and they did such interesting things, she was quite inspired. Especially loved the talk by Norman Do. Thank you so much for the opportunity and all the organising you did to make it such an enjoyable experience!"* - parent of Maths Camp attendee

The maths camp is funded by the Victorian Department of Education (DET) through the Strategic Partnership Program (SPP).

To access the application form go to <https://forms.gle/CHejR3TwpWxhJUA78>

**Applications close:** COB Thursday 6th of April 2023

For more information contact your Year 10 Maths Teacher



## Senior School Afternoon Tea

The Senior School will be hosting a brief afternoon tea for parents and Year 10-12 students to meet teachers and finish off the term tonight Monday 3rd April 3:30pm-4:30pm. This is an opportunity for the school community to build relationships, and finish the term on a positive and relaxed note.

Food and drink will be provided, so please let the Faithfull Campus office know via phone (57612777) as soon as possible, if you will be attending for catering purposes.

The afternoon tea will take place in the Senior School theatre if it rains, and outside on the grassed area if the weather is good.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the afternoon tea.

Christa Rembold (Senior School Leader)

### WORDS OF THE WEEK

#### collaborate

**Collaborate** is a *verb* meaning to work together with others.

*In order for the team to be successful, all team members must collaborate with each other.*

*The class will collaborate to produce a class newspaper.*

*The work gets done more quickly when we collaborate.*

#### amicable

**Amicable** is an *adjective* used to describe a peaceful agreement, settlement or solution.

*The friendship ended on amicable terms.*

*We got through the discussion in a perfectly amicable way.*

*The two students ended their disagreement in an amicable way.*

#### empathy

**Empathy** is a noun meaning the ability to understand and share the feelings of another.

*She showed empathy to her friend when she was upset.*

*Sally has a strong sense of empathy which will be helpful when she becomes a counsellor.*

*The author invites us to feel empathy towards the main character.*

#### genuine

**Genuine** is an adjective that describes something true, authentic or sincere.

*He made a genuine attempt to make things right with the friend he hurt.*

*Ben had a genuine curiosity for knowledge.*

*When they are together you can sense a genuine feeling of joy*



## We're a Happy Families School

Our school is now subscribed to the Happy Families School Membership! Owned and run by Dr Justin Coulson, one of Australia's leading parenting experts, the membership offers a wealth of parenting education and resources.

We will regularly share resources available through our membership with you, including Insight Articles and Live Webinars. You can also access your resources at any time using the below URL (unique to our school) and password.



### UNIQUE SCHOOL URL & PASSWORD

<https://schools.happyfamilies.com.au/login/bc>

**PASSWORD:** happybc

We recommend bookmarking this link. You should only need to put the password in once and the site will remember you.

### INSIGHTS ARTICLES

A new Insights article is released weekly during the term and we will include these with the school newsletter. Insights articles are written by Dr Justin Coulson and other leading experts and provide parenting education and support for a wide variety of traditional and contemporary parenting challenges. You can also access 300+ previous [Insights articles](#) on our school's URL.

### PARENT WEBINARS

You have access to 10 live webinars a year on our school's membership page via our school's unique URL. From there, you'll also be able to access to the Video Library which is the full back catalogue of all of Dr Justin's and Parenting Idea's previous webinars. Webinars take place once a month. As they are live, you'll be able to ask Dr Justin and / or the guest presenter questions in real time. The recording will be available in the Video Library as mentioned above. We will announce upcoming webinar details in our school newsletter or other preferred method of communication. We hope you enjoy the Insights and webinars!

## Auskick is Back!!!

## Saturday 29th April 2023

Register here:

<https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/4449cf>



Any enquires please email  
[benallaauskick@gmail.com](mailto:benallaauskick@gmail.com)

# Connect9

TOMORROW TODAY  
Benalla, Stronger together

**Calling ALL Year 9s**

### WHAT IS Connect9?

A 10-week program just for Year 9 students. You are matched with a local mentor to explore some of the wonderful things that Benalla has to offer. You'll also make new friends and have the chance to consider your future.

### WHAT'S IN THE PROGRAM?

Every week we explore a new activity, there is so much to do here in Benalla!

- YMCA
- Masterchef Night
- Lakeside Scavenger Hunt
- Art
- Venturers
- Robotics
- Flight simulation
- New hobbies like archery, blacksmithing, fishing, sports and fitness, photography and more!
- Volunteering opportunities in the community
- A FREE GLIDER FLIGHT!

### WHO CAN COME ALONG?

Any Year 9 student living in Benalla Rural City.

### HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

The program is absolutely FREE!

### WHEN?

You can join the program in either Term 2 or Term 3.

**TERM 2 2023**  
Tuesdays 5.30pm - 7.30pm

**TERM 3 2023**  
Wednesdays 5.30pm - 7.30pm

### WHERE?

Tomorrow Today  
66 Nunn St, Benalla

**USE THIS QR CODE TO APPLY, OR SEE YOUR YEAR 9 COORDINATOR**



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Dear Parent,

Saver Plus helps to pay for education related items.  
Is your child in Primary School or High School?  
Would \$500 help cover the cost of education related items  
such as laptops or iPads?



**You or someone you know may be eligible to join a local savings program and receive \$500 for education expenses.**

Berry Street is delivering Saver Plus in your local area, and is currently looking for more people to join for the next exciting round.

Saver Plus is a 10-month program that can assist you to save for your own or your children's education expenses. Participants receive:

- One dollar in matched savings from ANZ for every dollar you save, up to \$500
- Free MoneyMinded financial education workshops, delivered online
- Personal support and guidance from a trusted community organisation

At the end of the program you can use your matched savings to purchase education-related items, such as a computer, laptop, school camps/excursions and textbooks.

To be eligible to participate in Saver Plus, you must:

- Be 18 years or over
- Be a parent or guardian of a student attending school, or be attending or returning to vocational training yourself
- Have a current Health Care card or Pensioner Concession card
- Have some form of income, for example, yourself or your partner may have casual, part-time, full-time, seasonal or cash-in-hand employment
- Be in receipt of an eligible Commonwealth social security benefit, allowance or payment

\*Many types of income and Centrelink payments are eligible

It's easy to find out more, and all correspondence will be kept confidential. Contact your local Saver Plus Community Liaison, Richard Pemberton by phoning 0407 567 312. Feel free to email [rpemberton@berrystreet.org.au](mailto:rpemberton@berrystreet.org.au) or return the attached slip to the school for Richard to call you.

Kind regards,

Richard Pemberton  
Community Liaison, Saver Plus

Saver Plus is an initiative of Brotherhood of St. Laurence and ANZ, delivered in partnership with The Smith Family and Berry Street. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services.



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