

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,

ANZAC day parade and assembly

Last Tuesday we had a number of students represent the College at the Benalla ANZAC Day parade. Our College Captains attended the dawn service with myself, and they also attended the march and the 11am ceremony along with our campus leaders from Clarke, Waller and Avon. It was also pleasing to see many other Benalla P-12 College students and staff marching with community organisations. One of our college captains Ebony Armstrong performed a reading at the ceremony. Ebony did a fantastic job, demonstrating her outstanding public speaking skills. Thankyou to all the parents who brought children along to this event and for supporting the College to be a part of the community.

Thankyou to those parents who attended our whole school assembly last Tuesday. The number of community representative there was excellent and we received lots of positive feedback from members of the RSL and others who felt that our ceremony was a respectful and moving acknowledgement of ANZAC day and the service of those in the armed forces. As usual, our College Captains did a fantastic job running the assembly. What was most pleasing from my perspective was the respect shown by all our students all the way through the ceremony. This is a core value of ours and one that we talk about a lot, and it was wonderful to see this in action at a whole school event.

Student Attitudes to School Survey

Over the next few weeks all students in Years 4-12 will complete a short online survey about their experiences at school. This is done every year and gives us good information that we can use to improve the school. More information will be provided via Compass soon.

Staffing

We have welcomed some new staff to the College. We have three new ES staff members working at Avon, Lisa Harris, Elise Nolan and Dee Fowles and one at Faithfull, Angela Shweinsbergen. Lisa Nicholl has joined the music team at Faithfull as an Instrumental music teacher. Jaimee Linke has joined us as Admin at Faithfull. Will O'Donoghue is the new Sports Trainee at Faithfull. Matthew Kelly has taken on the role of IT Manager, Ashley Lahm has joined us filling the specialist technician role.

Regards,
Kylie Cotter
Acting Principal



DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday May 2

Year 9 ATO visit
Parent teacher phone Interviews-
3.30

Thursday May 4

Athletics Carnival

Tuesday May 9

Year 3/4 Camp 1-15 mile Creek

Wednesday May 10

Parent teacher Interviews

Thursday May 11

Senior School University Bus Tour

Monday May 15-19

School Dental Van

Tuesday May 16

Year 3/4 Camp 2-15 Mile Creek

Our College Values

Respect

Responsibility

High Expectations

Integrity

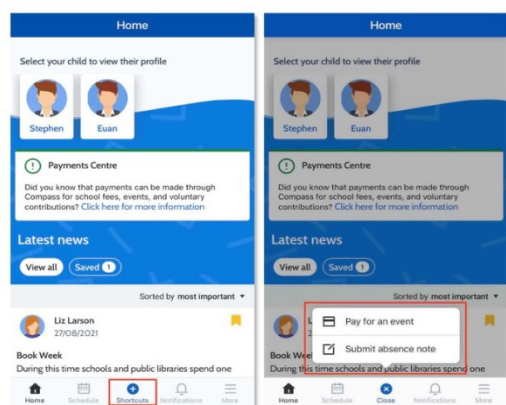


Email: benalla.p12@education.vic.gov.au
Web: www.benallap12.vic.edu.au

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

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



How adorable are our two new Waller Street babies! Miss Challis's gorgeous baby boy Sonny born 10/04/2023 and Terri Dodmans baby Macey 5 months who has the most adorable smile you will ever see.



TERM 2 DATES, MONDAY APRIL 24- THURSDAY JUNE 22

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS OF TERM 1



Students from Benalla P12 College, Avon St Campus had another successful morning at the Benalla Woodworking Group. Students, with the help of the 'Woodies' were able to make a lovely gift for Mother's Day. Many thanks to all at the 'Woodies' for their skill, patience and hard work with the students.



SAKG EASTER STALL

Easter Monday during the school holidays our Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program held a stall at the Molyullah Easter Sports Day. At our stall, we sold jams, chutneys, sauces and cordials our fantastic Year 3/4 students made during their kitchen classes. Everyone was amazed at the variety of products for sale and, that these delicious treats had been created by Year 3/4 students, staff and our dedicated team of volunteers (Gemma, Julie and Pip).



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BENALLA P-12 COLLEGE

On ANZAC Day, School Captains and student leaders from Benalla P12 College participated in the Benalla local ANZAC Day march. Many other students marched in the extra-curricular groups they are involved in such as Scouts, Girl Guides and Cadets. School Captain, Ebony Armstrong contributed in the service by reading "The Call of the ANZACs".

On Friday the whole College participated in a special Assembly, it was a fantastic event. Thank you to everyone involved. The College Captains did a wonderful job. Thank you to all staff for helping to ensure the event ran smoothly.



Poppy loves it when Phil from Jim's Dog Wash Benalla visits to groom, bath and brush her. Poppy visits the groomer every 6 weeks to keep her coat looking neat, tidy, and healthy.



ROCK CLIMBING AND ABSEILING

On Tuesday the 28th of March the Unit 3&4 Outdoor and Environmental Studies class set off to Chiltern Mt Pilot National Park for Rock Climbing. In class we have been investigating historical relationships with outdoor environments. A key focus has been on the perceptions, interactions and impacts from the different time periods throughout history. These time periods include indigenous, early European, increasing population, industrialisation and nation building relationships. The first stop was at the Eldorado Dredge where we were able to explore and read about the history of the Eldorado Dredge, as this was significant during nation building. The Dredge worked for about twenty years from the mid 1930s, excavating huge quantities of the gold. After the Dredge we made our way to Chiltern Mt Pilot National Park for rock climbing and abseiling. Although the forecast didn't look great, we managed to get through the day with no rain. Both activities had their challenges, and it was a great introduction into the different type of relationships people can have with their local environment. Overall it was a great day and we look forward to our next adventure.



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**Term 2 Words of the Week:**

This term we are trialling making some changes to our Words of the Week Program. Each week we will have one English word and one Yorta Yorta word. The theme for this term is the natural world.

The following links will allow you to play a sound clip of the Yorta Yorta word of the week.

Week 1: <https://guyulqang.com/language/yorta-yorta/word/7189a8aa-3523-4d53-b8c4-c1ffa58736bd>

Week 2: <https://guyulqang.com/language/yorta-yorta/word/3cc9d5f0-ab70-40f6-9963-be71b5bbe138>

We hope this will assist in improving the cultural diversity at Benalla P-12 College.

Ways to incorporate the words of the week at home:

Ask your young people about the words and what they might think they mean.

Discuss the Yorta Yorta fact or research further facts about this Nation.

Discuss one or more of the relationships students have with a friend and how these words might fit into that friendship.

Ask your young person to put the word in a sentence.

Discuss other words that mean the same thing or words that mean the opposite.

Words of the Week: Term 2 Week 1

Theme: The Natural World

| English Word of the Week | Yorta Yorta Word of the Week |
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| unique | Baka |
| <p><i>Definition: Unique</i> is an adjective used to describe when something is one of a kind or unlike anything else.</p> <p><i>Each tribe has its own unique language</i> <i>That dog has a unique bark</i> <i>Each person's signature is unique</i></p> | <p><i>Definition: Dog</i></p> <p><i>Yorta Yorta Fact:</i> The Yorta Yorta people occupy a unique stretch of forest-wetlands located in the central Murray-Goulburn region. The lifestyle of the Yorta Yorta people was based on hunting, fishing and collecting food provided by the ancestral lands.</p> |

| English Word of the Week | Yorta Yorta Word of the Week |
|--|---|
| diversity | naikidjiga |
| <p>Diversity is a noun referring to the practice or quality of including people from a range of different backgrounds, cultures, genders etc.</p> <p><i>The school aims for diversity in its student population</i> <i>The city is known for its cultural diversity</i> <i>Our council believes in encouraging cultural diversity</i></p> | <p><i>Definition: Little Duck</i></p> <p><i>Yorta Yorta fact:</i> The Yorta Yorta people are river based people. Most of their time was occupied with fishing for food. The network of rivers, lagoons, creeks and wetlands are regarded as the life source and the spirit of the Yorta Yorta Nation.</p> |

Community Seminar

BUILDING HAPPINESS & RESILIENCE IN YOUNG PEOPLE & THEIR FAMILIES



NESAY
youth, family & community

Guest Speaker
DR MICHAEL CARR-GREGG

Wangaratta
THURSDAY
04-MAY-2023

Myrtleford
THURSDAY
18-MAY-2023

Family Connections Through Art

CREATE AN ARTISTIC IMAGE OF YOUR FAMILY TREE WITH THE SUPPORT AND GUIDANCE OF LOCAL ARTIST *Lisa Bishop*

Wangaratta
TUESDAY, 9TH MAY 2023
5.30PM

Myrtleford
TUESDAY, 16TH MAY 2023
7.30PM

PLACES ARE LIMITED, SO BOOK NOW & DON'T MISS OUT!
This is for young people aged 12-18yrs, & a parent, grandparent or other important adult in their life



LISA BISHOP
ARTIST • STORE • STUDIO

Rhythmic Drumming Together

Connect and have fun through African Drumming



Wangaratta 5:30pm - 7:30pm
Tuesday 23rd May 2023

Myrtleford 5:30pm - 7:30pm
Tuesday 6th June 2023

This is for young people aged 12-18yrs, and a parent/grandparent or other important adult in their life
Places are limited, so book now & don't miss out!

in the GROOVE
Community Drumming

NESAY
youth, family & community



nesay.com.au/upcoming-events
(03) 5720 2201



All events are **FREE** - scan here for more:



Auskick is Back!!!

Saturday 29th April 2023

Register here:

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



Any enquires please email
benallaauskick@gmail.com

Connect9

TOMORROW TODAY
Benalla, Stronger together



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 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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