Edition #11

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,

Course Counselling Day

This is a reminder that our 2024 Course Counselling Day is scheduled for this Thursday 3rd August. On this day, students from Year 9, 10 and 11 are required to attend with a parent or carer to discuss their subject selections and academic pathways. This is a crucial opportunity for students to make informed decisions about their future education. Please note that no regular classes will be held for Year 9. 10 and 11 on this day to facilitate the course counselling sessions.

2024 Prep Enrolments

We are delighted to witness the interest of many families enrolling their young students at Benalla P-12 College. Our Avon and Waller campuses offer exceptional prep programs, dedicated staff and excellent facilities. For those planning to enrol their children in Prep for 2024, we kindly request that you submit an application form as soon as possible. If you know of any family or friends who are still uncertain about their decisions, please encourage them to book a school tour to experience the welcoming environment of our college.

Meet and Greet

Our next Meet and Greet even is scheduled for Thursday 17th August. This is an excellent opportunity for you to meet with myself, our Assistant Principals, and other members of staff. During the event, you will have the chance to observe some of our students in action and learn about the various happenings around the College. It starts at 10am and morning tea is provided. We look forward to seeing you there!

Thank you for your continued support.

Kylie Cotter Acting Principal





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DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday July 31-Thursday August 3

Avon St Year 3/4 Swimming—cancelled

Tuesday August 1

Interview to Impress mentoring

Wednesday August 2

- .Health Careers Day
- .100 Days of Prep

Thursday August 3

Year 10/11 Course Counselling Day

Monday August 7-10

Waller St Year 3/4 Swimming

Thursday August 10

Hands on Trades Career Expo-Winton Raceway

Our College Values

Respect

Responsibility

High Expectations

Integrity

Benalla P12 Kokoda Fundraising

PRESENTS

Trivia Night and Auction!

25th AUGUST

6:30pm Avon st Campus

CONTACT MOLLY OR TEAGAN FOR BOOKINGS PH 5761 2777

tegan.vogel@education.vic.gov.au maria.craig@education.vic.gov.au

Tickets \$15







Notify the school of your child's absence

Protecting the safety and well-being of children through the reporting and monitoring of absenteeism is the responsibility of both parents/carers and schools.

Please remember to call the school on 0357612777 or log your child's absence using our school's IT platform Compass early in the morning if your child is going to be away or late for school so your child's absence can be recorded correctly.

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

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





BENALLA P-12 UNIFORM SHOP OPEN DAYS FAITHFULL STREET

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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



AVON STREET CAMPUS NEWS

At the end of second term, the 3/4s at Avon learnt about "Barong" a mythical creature. He is the king of the spirits and represents the forces of good. In Bali, each region of the island has its own protective spirit for its forests and lands. The Barong for each region is modelled after a different animal, a boar, a tiger, a dragon (or serpent) or the traditional lion. The lion is the most popular Barong and originates from the Ubud region. The lion has a red head, many jewels and decorations. He is the hero of the Barong dance. Every village has their own Barong as a protector. Barong is represented through dance and is sometimes featured in processions for festivals. Barong and Rangda are the two main characters of the Barong Dance. The dancers wear a carved wooden topeng (mask) in the Barong dance which is a battle between good and evil. Barong the good character is always the victor. Students also made their interpretation of the Rangda or Barong mask.





CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS OF WEEK







Avon & Waller Street Campus News

At the end of term 2, eleven Year 3/4 students from the Waller Campus and fifteen from Avon Campus participated in the Lions Junior Public Speaking Competition. They included both Year 3 and 4 students having a go for the first time and some Year 4 students who were attempting it for their second time. Students were required to deliver a 3 minute speech on the topic, 'Oh no you've turned into a giant!'

Leading up to the competition, students worked independently and alongside their peers to brainstorm, plan, write, revise, edit and practice delivering their speeches.

The competition provides an opportunity for students to interact with the wider community, represent themselves and their school and practice their writing and presenting skills in a real-life context. For our emerging student leaders, it is an invaluable opportunity to practice the public speaking skills, which are an integral part of running our campus assemblies and other school-based events at the Year 3/4 level and beyond.

Following the school-based speeches, Dannika Fahey was awarded Runner-Up and Olivia Anderson the Most Outstanding Speaker from Waller St. Rabiya Azhar was awarded Runner-Up and Estella Vella the Most Outstanding Speaker from Avon St. On Sunday 23rd July, Estella and Olivia participated at the next level of competition and Olivia was awarded Runner-up.



Waller Street Campus News





STUDENTS OF THE WEEK





Clarke Street Campus News

Clarke Street

Our assembly is held every Friday at 2:40pm - don't be stranger, come and join us in celebrating our learning journey. Here are our award winners from assembly on 14/07/2023.

We have a lot happening this term, with the second day of the Health and Personal Development Program on August 9th, "Bully - No Way" Day is on August 18th and don't forget Book Week, which commences August 21st. Start preparing for the dress up day!

Our Fathers' Day stall will be on Friday September 1st, and we will be putting on a breakfast for the dads – details will be provided soon.

District Athletics for 11- and 12-year-olds is scheduled for September 6th, with the 9- and 10-year-olds scheduled for September 7th – both will be at Churchill Reserve.









EVERY MINUTE



Faithfull Street Campus News

On a freezing cold and frosty morning, a group of Year 10 and 11 students travelled to Melbourne to tour Monash University's Clayton Campus.

Monash has four campuses and Clayton is the largest, with over 40,000 students! Our students heard about the various areas of study available at the campuses and then went on in very windy conditions to look at the various facilities, classrooms and lecture theatres.

After lunch the group toured the residential accommodation onsite, which houses over 3,000 students.

It was a really information and interesting day, with everyone getting their steps up!









Faithfull Street Campus News

Maths Homework – Weekly!!

Parents do you find yourself asking "Do you have any homework" to which you are answered "NO!" each night? Students ... do you want an icy pole every week?? Ask your teacher how!

Each week students in Year 7 – 10 will have a homework sheet to complete for maths. This homework has a number of benefits, including:

Regularly revising key skills in all areas of maths

Setting up a homework routine for senior years of school

Providing opportunities for organization and persistence

English Word of the Week

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It can be completed all in one hit or broken up over a few nights. Working out can be done on a separate page and brought to school on the designated day at the end of the week (usually Thursday or Friday).

Students will then correct their work and work to improve on the last weeks results.

They may find some of the questions challenging – that's ok! You may like to try the Problem Solving questions together as a family .. they can be trickie!

Please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns.

Narelle McInnes Secondary Maths Leader

Words of the Week: Term 3 Week 3

Them: Coming together

Taungurung Word of the Week

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| coalition | gerrbik |
| Coalition is a noun for an alliance between two people | |
| or two groups, usually on a temporary basis. | Definition: family |
| The coalition of political parties tried to make real | Taungurung fact: Taungurung country covers over |
| change. | 20,000 square kilometres and stretches from Kyneton in |
| The coalition of the two animal rights groups have | the south-west up to Rochester in the north-west, across |
| saved over 30 species. | to Bright in the north-east and down to Woods Point in |
| Following an increase in public dissatisfaction, a coali- | the south-east. |
| tion was formed | |

Term 3: Week 4

| equitable | gilbruk |
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| Equitable is an adjective describing something that is fair | Definition: respect |
| and impartial. | |
| | Taungurung fact: Taungurung people identify with the |
| Support from the government must be equitable. | rivers and the mountains, with the Goulburn River run- |
| A more equitable approach to education is required. | ning through our heartland country, and the great high- |
| Creating an equitable workplace is not the same as cre- | country peaks of Mt Buller, Mt Stirling and Mt Buffalo |
| ating an equal workplace. | dominating our eastern uplands. |



Faithfull Street Campus News



Debutant and Formal Wear Library

Over the past few months staff have been working hard to get up and running the Debutant Library for the students at Benalla P-12 now and in the future. Benalla P-12 College Debutant Library is now open for appointments thanks to the generosity of the community and their donations.

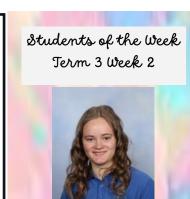
With the amazing generosity we will be able to extend the hire out to not only debutant dresses but also for the formals with dresses and suits available. To allow all students

to be apart for the special occasion throughout their school years.

We are still taking donations. So, if you have a dress hanging in the wardrobe that is too good to get rid of you are welcome to drop it in to the office at Faithfull Street Campus to add to our collection. However, we are not only hiring out dresses. We are taking donations for suits, ties, shoes, white gloves, and anything a student may need to make their night extra special. Appointments can be made at the Faithfull Street office. A small bond will be held once the students say yes to a outfit which will be returned once the outfit is dry cleaned and returned







Aria Winkler -Year 10



Cooper Gibson - Year 11



Lachlan Squires- Year 12

CHILD EMPLOYMENT - AN OVERVIEW HOW TO LEGALLY EMPLOY CHILDREN **UNDER THE AGE OF 15**

From 1 July 2023 the employment of children under 15 years of age in Victoria will be regulated under The Child Employment (Amendment) Act 2022.

The Act improves the regulation of child employment, strengthens protection for children in the workplace and makes it simpler for employers to understand their obligations when employing children under the age of 15 years.

The Wage Inspectorate Victoria is responsible for enforcing compliance with the Act.

A NEW LICENSING SYSTEM WILL REPLACE THE **CURRENT PERMIT SYSTEM**

From 1 July 2023, all businesses employing children under 15 years old will require a Child Employment Licence. This will replace the existing Child Employment Permit. Once the Child Employment Licence is granted, employers will be able to employ multiple children under the one licence. This licence may have certain conditions attached.

Employers can apply for a 24-month licence for their business. Employers with businesses operating in the entertainment industry can apply for a 12-month licence.

The new system introduces a 'fit and proper person' test which includes, among other things, consideration of an employer's compliance with child employment and other relevant workplace laws. See overleaf for more information.

There are new roles for 'nominated officers' under the Act. The nominated officer is a delegate of the employer who will be responsible for ensuring that the Act and any licence

There will be a public register of all child employment licence holders on the Wage Inspectorate's website.

FIND OUT MORE HERE:

www.vic.gov.au/changeschild-employment-act

DO YOU HAVE FURTHER QUESTIONS? SPEAK DIRECTLY TO THE WAGE INSPECTORATE:

www.vic.gov.au/contactwage-inspectorate-victoria

IS YOUR WORKPLACE **EQUAL AND FAIR?**

Check your Fair Work compliance here: fairwork.gov.au calculate.fairwork.gov.au



CHILD EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS

If you're considering employing someone under the age of 15, you need to be aware of the following requirements.

THE MINIMUM AGE OF **EMPLOYMENT IN VICTORIA IS 13**

This includes employing children to do delivery work. To employ children without a licence they must be 15 years and older.

SUPERVISION

From 1 July 2023, children are required to be supervised by someone who holds a current employee Working with Children Check.

Supervisors of children under 15 in the workplace will now be required to be 18 vears or older.

MOST TYPES OF EMPLOYMENT **WILL REQUIRE A LICENCE**

You must obtain a licence from Wage Inspectorate Victoria prior to the employment commencing. This includes paid and voluntary work.

Employing a child without a licence is a criminal offence and may attract a penalty.



WORKING CONDITIONS

- During school term children can be employed for a maximum of 3 hours per day and 12 hours per week.
 During school holidays children can be employed for a maximum of 6 hours

- Children may not work before 6am or
- Children must have a 30 minute rest



OFFENCES AND PENALTIES FOR BREACHES OF THE CHILD EMPLOYMENT ACT

- Obstructing or hindering a child employment officer
 Breaching a licence condition
 Employing or allowing a child to be employed without a licence
 Employing a child without observing the general and/or special conditions of employment
- Employing a child in prohibited employment
- Allowing a person who is not considered to be suitable to have direct supervision or control of a child

Penalties for these and other offences range from \$1,000 to \$10,000.



Could you be a Foster Carer?

We have an urgent need for full-time, emergency and weekend/school holiday Carers in your local community.

If you can share your home, heart and time with a child or young person in need, we'd love to hear from you!

To find out more scan the QR code or call Louise on 0437 262 194.

LIFE WITHOUT BARRIERS

lwb.org.au/faster-care





2023 SPRING COMPETITION

Juniors and Ladies Netball starting

> Tuesday 22nd **August**

Registrations close Thursday 17th August







Connecting with your kids - Emotion coaching

For parents and carers of children aged between 2 and 12 years

This two-hour session will provide information on the following:

- Emotional intelligence and why it's important
- Children's brain development
- Tuning in to your children's emotions to help manage behaviour
- Emotion coaching Helping children to understand and regulate their emotions
- Different styles of parenting

Location

Via online link

Date and time

Monday 24th July 2023 from 7 -9pm

Cost

This is a free information session.

Contact us

For enquires and to register your attendance please call 0457 279 796 or email parenting@gatewayhealth.org.au.





Raising Resilient Children (from the Triple P International)

For parents and carers of children aged between 2 and 10 years

This session will provide information on:

- Recognising and accepting feelings
- Expression of feelings
- Building a positive outlook
- Developing coping skills
- Dealing with negative feelings
- Stressful life events

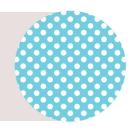


| Location | Date and Time | Cost |
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| Online (link will be provided) | Monday 21st August 7pm to 9pm | This is a free program |

Book your place

To book your place contact Gateway Health on 0457 279 796 or email parenting@gatewayhealth.org.au

Bookings are essential





Tuning in to Teens Emotionally intelligent parenting

This free six-week program aims to help parents and carers of teenagers to understand their child's experience and connect with and support their child.



If you are a parent or carer of a teenager this program will help you to:

- understand what your child is going through at this stage in their life
- help your child manage their emotions
- · communicate more effectively
- build a closer more connected relationship
- build on your skills as a parent.

| Location | Date and Time | Cost |
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| Online (link will be provided) | Thursdays 3rd August - 7th September 7 - 9pm | This is a free program |

Contact us

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