

# Benalla P-12 College

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,

Welcome back, it has been a fantastic start to the year. It has been wonderful seeing all of the students excited to come back and engaging back into the classrooms.

There has been a lot of progress with the next building phase at the Faithfull campus, the administration building was demolished over the holidays, they are now preparing to start the new build.

While we are currently not fully staffed, the positions have been filled, so over the next term the new teachers will begin their roles. I continue to appreciate the support from the community as we do navigate these shortages.

The start of the school year is a timely reminder that the Department does not provide insurance for personal property, personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students. If you do not have accident insurance, you will be responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for any injuries, including the cost of ambulance attendance or transport. The Department does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools, and has no capacity to pay for any loss of damaged property. Parents and carers can purchase insurance policies from commercial insurers.

Regards,  
Kylie Cotter  
Principal



### DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday February 5

Year 5/6 Swimming

Monday February 12

Year 12 Retreat

Senior Boys Cricket

Year 3/4 Swimming commences

Tuesday February 13

Avon & Waller St School Photos

Faithfull St -Yr 10-12 School Photos

Friday February 16

Year 4-6 Swimming Time Trials

Monday February 19

Year 3/4 Swimming

Year 5/6 Hockey Clinic

Tuesday February

Year 7-12 Swimming Carnival



### Our College Values

Respect

Responsibility

High Expectations

Integrity

We are delighted to share that Benalla P-12 College has officially begun construction on our new Administration-Food Technology building. To mark this occasion, Uncle Dozer led a special smoking ceremony, infusing the project with cultural significance and positive energy.

This innovative building, set to complement the STEAM facility completed in 2023, will provide our students with a state-of-the-art Food Technology area. We're eager to see the impact this new construction will have on enhancing the educational experience at Benalla P-12 College.





## Uniform Shop

**Wednesday 2:30pm - 5:30pm**  
**Friday 8am - 12 pm**



Respect - Responsibility - Integrity - High Expectations

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**TERM 1 DATES, TUESDAY 30TH JANUARY- FRIDAY 29TH MARCH**

## REMINDER

Just a reminder our Faithfull Campus Administration has moved. If you are looking for our new location head towards the Performing Arts Centre and you will find the entrance to the BER Centre under the blue shade sails.

Uniform Shop has also relocated over into the Community Performing Arts Centre right next door to the BER Centre. You will need to enter Faithfull Street campus off the second entrance on Faithfull Street. You will find the Uniform Shop in the second room on your left as you enter the Performing Arts Center.

Uniform Shop Hours for Term 1  
**Wednesday 2:30pm - 5:30pm**  
**Friday 8am - 12pm.**

Uniforms can also be ordered anytime through the QKR app or via email [uniforms@benallap12.vic.edu.au](mailto:uniforms@benallap12.vic.edu.au) and pay via Credit Card or EFTPOS or call 5761 2777

**Download the QKR app to order uniforms or canteen lunch orders (Faithfull/Clarke/Waller St only)**



### 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/lunches

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





## Benalla P-12 College



*Out of School Hours Care*

**We Are Hiring!**



**Are you Certificate III or  
Diploma Of Early Childhood  
qualified?**

Respect - Responsibility - Integrity - High Expectations



If you have had a change of circumstances recently and now hold a Current Concession Card, Health Care Card, Veterans Affairs Gold Card or a temporary foster parent you may be able to access the CSEF Funding. If this applies to you come into the school office or download for an application form.

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/PAL/csef-application-form.pdf>

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary School student rate \$150.00
- Secondary School student rate \$250 per year

If you have applied for CSEF last year you do not need to apply again.

**Any NEW students or students who have commenced at our school last year must complete an application form to receive funding.**

*Application close 28th June 2024*

## Benalla P-12 College

### Photo Day 2024

**Date: Tuesday 13th February Waller Campus, Avon  
Campus & Faithfull Campus Years 10-12**

**Wednesday 21st February Faithfull Campus Years 5-9**

#### To Order Photos:

Order via the Compass Portal.

**Order your School Photos before midnight Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February.**

Late Orders can be accepted after 28<sup>th</sup> February by Ordering online via the Compass Portal or by contacting **03 5482 3190**. All late orders incur an extra \$20 for postage and handling.

**Family Photos** - Please order online prior to photo day using the Compass Portal.



  
**msp**  
**photography**

03 5482 3190  
admin.mrr@msp.com.au  
[www.msp.com.au](http://www.msp.com.au)



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**TERM 1 DATES, TUESDAY 30TH JANUARY- FRIDAY 29TH MARCH**

Welcome to term 1, 2023. As you would already know from the stories that your child/ren bring home, that they learn new things every day. What you may not know that **going to school every day is the most single important part of your child's education**..... missing school puts them behind. There are no safe days for missing school. Did you know? Attendance patterns are established early - a child that regularly misses days in kindergarten or in the early years of school will often continue to miss class in later years and receive lower test scores than their classmates. It is vital that students go to school every day - even in the early years of primary school.

## Every day counts, even when your child is anxious

Going to school is usually an exciting and enjoyable event for children and adolescents. However some children are occasionally reluctant to go to school or have some anxiety about activities like school camp; it is also normal that at some stage in life every individual will feel anxious when faced with a difficult situation. Anxiety becomes a problem when it is persistent and prevents a person from enjoying normal life experiences, such as not wanting to go to school. If you feel your child is experiencing anxiety and not wanting to come to school, please speak with your child's teacher, or contact one of our student wellbeing team members who can offer assistance and make recommendations about professional support if needed.

All staff at Benalla P-12 College want your child/ren to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begins with your child/ren coming to school each and every day. If your child/ren miss school regularly, they miss out on learning the fundamental skills that will set them up for success in the later years of school.

If you are having trouble getting your child/ren to school every day, please pop in to see one of our student wellbeing team:

- Avon St/Clarke St Campus -Scott Greig 5762 1646
- Waller St Campus -Bron Greig 5762 2600
- Faithfull St Campus -Lou McCloskey/Kaitlyn Rockliff 5761 2777

**We would love to support and work together with you to get your child/ren back on track attending every day**



EVERY MINUTE COUNTS



Every student. Every day.

**Just a little bit late doesn't seem much but....**

He/She is only missing just....	That equals....	Which is....	over 13 years of schooling, that's....
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly HALF A YEAR
20 minutes per day	1 hour 40 minutes per week	Nearly 2.5 weeks per year	Nearly 1 YEAR
Half an hour per day	Half a day per week	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 AND A HALF YEARS
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 weeks per year	Nearly 2 AND A HALF YEARS



Every student. Every day.



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Congratulations to this weeks Students of the Week & Attendance award winners.



**HATS:** A reminder that hats are compulsory for outside play this term. Please ensure your child/ren have a broad-brimmed hat, with their name clearly labelled on it. Hats are available to purchase from the office for \$10 each.

- \* School Photos Tuesday 13 February
- \* Everyone is welcome to our Avon Assembly every Friday 2.40pm
- \* Our lunch order day is Friday's please write your child's name, class and correct money in an enclosed envelope, no change is given. Order forms available from the office
- \* Breakfast Club is every Thursday and Friday from 8.30am
- \* Please join us for assembly every Friday 2.40pm, all welcome
- \* Students are not permitted at school before 8.30am.
- \* Parking is not permitted in the Staff car park
- \* CSEF applications are now open if you hold a valid HCC or concession card. See Karen for an application form.
- \* *Any **NEW** students or students who have commenced at our school last year must complete an application form to receive funding.*
- \* Please mark your childs absence on Compass

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



## The Pink Shop

Friday Lunch orders

Orders must be in to the office by 9.00am. Please write your Childs name, class and total money enclosed in an envelope  
(Ensure correct money is enclosed as no change is given)  
Phone: 5762 2135

### Hot Food

PIE	6.00
SAUSAGE ROLL	5.00
PARTY PIE	2.50
HOT DOG	4.00
HOT CHICKEN AND GRAVY ROLL	8.50
HOT BEEF AND GRAVY ROLL	8.50
PIZZA	4.00
TOMATO SAUCE	.50

### Rolls

HAM OR BEEF	4.50
HAM OR BEEF WITH CHEESE	5.00
HAM OR BEEF WITH SALAD	6.50
CHICKEN	4.50
CHICKEN WITH MAYO	4.50
CHICKEN WITH SALAD	6.50
SALAD	5.00
CHESSE & VEGEMITE	4.50
PEANUT BUTTER, JAM, HONEY	4.50
VEGEMITE	

### Sandwiches

HAM OR BEEF	5.00
HAM OR BEEF WITH CHEESE	5.00
HAM OR BEEF WITH SALAD	6.50
CHICKEN WITH MAYO	5.00
CHICKEN WITH SALAD	6.50
SALAD	5.00
CHESSE & VEGEMITE	4.50
PEANUT BUTTER/ JAM, HONEY OR VEGEMITE	3.50

### Drinks

CHOCOLATE/STRAWBERRY MILK SML	3.00
ORANGE/APPLE/BLACKCURRANT JUICE SML	3.00
WATER SMALL	3.00

February 2024



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What a wonderful first week with our Avon & Waller Street Preps! Avon and Waller students have had a fantastic start to school. They are already Benalla P-12 Champions and can demonstrate our school values. We are so excited for the year ahead.







## Waller Campus



Daphne our well being dog will be on site this term!

### Assembly

2:40 Fridays in the 3/4 Hub

### Lunch Orders

Wednesday's  
order via the Qkr! app

### School Photo's

Tuesday 13th February



Tomorrow Today is seeking additional volunteers to be Reading Buddies. This program runs in the Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 classrooms at Avon and Waller St campuses.

As a Reading Buddy you'd spend time one on one supporting children in reading, writing and language development. Reading Buddies develop strong relationships with the children they are paired with and seeing the children improve is a rewarding experience.

Volunteers receive initial training and ongoing support from Tomorrow Today and school staff. Volunteers would need to commit to two hours (9am-11am) for one to three days per week during term time.

Training for Reading Buddies is on Tuesday 20 Feb, 9am-12pm at Tomorrow Today, Shop 1, 66 Nunn St Benalla.

If you or someone you know would be interested in being a volunteer for this program, please contact Janene Humphries on 5762 1211 or email [janenehumphries@tomorrowtoday.com.au](mailto:janenehumphries@tomorrowtoday.com.au)



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## Students of the Week



Daniel, Buddy, Harry, Ben, Ari, Haylee and Jax



Kayde, Owen, Ben, Eli, Jackson, Rory and Cynthia



"...I've loved seeing the children gaining confidence and progressing."

Leanne - Tomorrow Today volunteer



## Be a Reading Buddy!

Contact Janene  
03 5762 1211  
[JaneneHumphries@tomorrowtoday.com.au](mailto:JaneneHumphries@tomorrowtoday.com.au)

Shop 10, 66 Nunn Street, Benalla 3672  
[www.tomorrowtoday.com.au](http://www.tomorrowtoday.com.au)





**Welcome Back!**

Welcome back to our awesome Year 12 Cohort for 2024! It has been fantastic to see everyone so motivated and excited to get the year going. Our Year 12 kids have already started being positive role models for our younger students, embodying our school values- Respect, Integrity, High Expectations and Responsibility. In the coming weeks we are also looking forward to announcing our House Captains for 2024 and having our first Whole School Assembly on the 7<sup>th</sup> March.

The Senior Sub-School team is incredibly grateful for the patience of our senior kids and the school community while the school transitions with new staff, new sub-school teams and more construction sites.

We are super eager and enthusiastic for

the opportunities of 2024 and hopeful to have some really positive experiences and events coming as the year progresses.

Welcome back everyone!

**NURSE ANNA**

Welcome back to everyone for another wonderful year at Benalla p-12 College

My name is Nurse Anna and I will be talking with the students about how to live a happy and healthy life. I work at Faithful St Campus on a Monday and Friday. Please feel free to contact me anytime on those days to discuss any health issues or concerns your child might be having. I would love to help!

I like to remind everyone that during term 1 all students need to remember

to wear sunscreen and reapply every two hours, wearing a hat outside is also a great way to protect against the sun. Australia has one of the highest rates of skin cancer in the world! Each year almost 2000 Australians die from this almost entirely preventable disease.

Fortunately, being SunSmart is a simple and effective way to reduce your risk of developing skin cancer. Don't forget to do a personal skin check every 3 months and see your Doctor for one every 12 months.

Protect yourself in **five ways** from skin cancer



SLIP



SLOP



SLAP



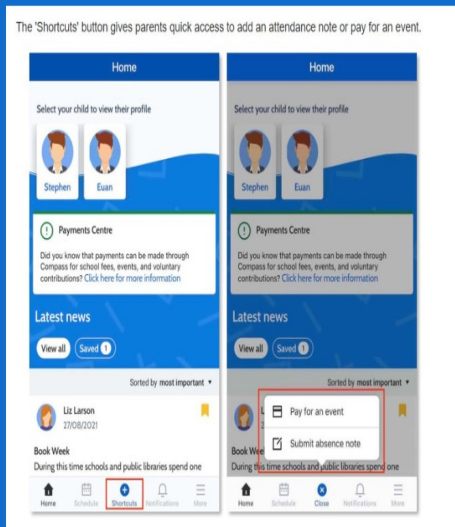
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SLIDE

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

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



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## BENALLA P/12 CANTEEN MENU

FAITHFULL CAMPUS

### HOT FOOD

#### RECESS

Egg & Bacon Roll \$5  
Breaky wrap \$6  
Ham, Cheese Toasty \$4  
Hash Brown \$1

#### LUNCH

Cheese Burger \$5  
Chicken & Cheese Burger \$6

Pie \$4 (add sauce .20c)  
Sausage roll \$4 (add sauce .50c)  
Hot Chips \$4 (add sauce .50c)  
Chicken Nuggets & Chips \$6 (add sauce .50c)  
Potato Cakes \$1  
Dim Sim \$1  
Vegetarian dim sim \$1

#### DRINKS:

FLAVOURED MILK. \$3.00  
Chocolate, Strawberry, Banana, Iced Coffee, Honeycomb  
UP & GO \$4.00  
Chocolate, Strawberry, Banana, Vanilla  
Juice \$3.00  
Orange, Apple  
Water \$1

### COLD FOOD

BERRY SMOOTHIE \$5  
FRUIT SALAD \$4  
WRAPS \$6  
Sweet Chili Chicken, Chicken Salad, Salad  
MUFFIN \$4  
Chocolate  
LEMON SLICE \$4

CHICKEN SALAD BOWL \$6



(PRE ORDER VIA QKR APP)



Use the QKR app and pre-order  
your lunches.

ALL orders need to be placed by  
**9.00am**

**A reminder to change your child's  
year level on the OKR app**

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# JOIN THE FUN!


## NAB AUSKICK T1 BENALLA COLLEGE P-12

**5 WEEK PROGRAM  
COMMENCING TUESDAY 20TH FEBRUARY 2024  
WALLER CAMPUS OVAL  
3:45PM - 4:45PM**

**PERFECT INTRODUCTION TO AUSKICK!**

**REGISTER NOW**





The Victorian Government, in conjunction with the Recreational Fishing Licence Trust Fund, are providing free 'Little Angler' kits to all our Year 6 students.

The kits include a fishing rod, reel with line, tackle box with some hooks, lead sinkers, swivels and a lure, as well as a [Kids Guide to Fishing](#) – all FREE! Please note that the tackle tray does include fishing hooks and lead sinkers, in line with Australian standards. The tackle tray will be wrapped in cardboard and placed inside a pocket, inside the kit bag, which will be cable tied to discourage students from opening their kits until they are under the supervision of a parent or carer. When handing out the kits to students to take home, teachers should tell students not to open the kits until they are safely at home with a parent or carer.

Please note that fishing equipment is not for human consumption. If a child does swallow a hook or sinker, please seek medical assistance immediately - don't wait for it to pass.

For more information Victoria Fisheries have created a [kid-friendly web hub](#) with lots of useful information and videos.

Please advise if you do not wish your child to participate for any reason, as we support parents in making decisions that align with their family values and beliefs.

# A Cyber Safety Event for parents and carers

## Delivered by a Former Undercover Internet Detective

**WHAT TO EXPECT:**

- ENGAGING AND POWERFUL INFORMATION
- UNDERSTANDING DIGITAL COMPLIANCE
- NAVIGATING YOUR CHILD'S DIGITAL WORLD
- STRATEGIES FOR PROTECTION AND PREVENTION

**WHO SHOULD ATTEND:**

- PARENTS AND CARERS
- YOUTH AGES 10-18

**DATE & TIME:**  
TUESDAY 20 FEB 2024  
5.30PM - 7PM

**LOCATION:**  
ONLINE VIA ZOOM

**WHY ATTEND?**

- EMPOWER YOURSELF WITH DIGITAL AWARENESS
- SECURE YOUR HOME FROM ONLINE RISKS
- DISCOVER THE SIMPLICITY OF ONLINE SAFETY

**DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS FREE TRANSFORMATIVE WORKSHOP!  
YOUR CHILD'S DIGITAL SAFETY IS IN YOUR HANDS.**




**Register via QR Code**







## Benalla Scout Group

**Tuesdays 5.00 – 6.30pm**

Joey Scouts are amazing! Some activities Joeys are doing In Term 1:

- Boulder Climbing
- Summer Sleepover and Movie Night
- Cooking: making and decorating cupcakes
- Learning about the Ashanti Tribe and trying African cuisine
- Cycling
- Aquatic Adventures
- Easter Craft
- Pioneering
- Camping
- Pitching a Tent
- Nature Scavenger Hunt
- Orienteering and Hiking

**Contact**  
Wedgie or Kooka to discuss more  
Jenny Wapling "Wedgie" 0428 590 606  
Kylie Dennis "Kooka" 0435 624 380

