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Welcome back to our last term, and to some warmer weather.

We have started this term with a mix of activities. The year 8 students enjoyed a fantastic start with three days of camp at Queenscliff. Riding, surfing, and enjoying the change of space. Thanks to Ms Hunt, Mr Marshall and Mr White for ensuring the year 8's were able to make the most of this time. Year 11 & 12 students have already completed their year 12 practice exams, as they lead up to the VCAA English exam on 31st October. Many attended exam revision sessions over the holidays and are well prepared for the final week of school.

Year 12's will have their last Assembly on Wednesday 23rd at 11am. All parents or family members are welcome to attend.

We also welcome back our year 9 Alpine School for Leadership students from China. They had great reports on their participation and we will be running a presentation of their journey soon. I will be inviting any year 8 students to put forward their expression of interest for the six positions offered for term 3 in 2019.

PUPIL FREE DAY - Staff Professional Development Monday 5th November

As part of our ongoing professional development program, we will be taking the last of our pupil free days on Melbourne Cup Eve. This will ensure we continue our work on school curriculum development, and focus on improving our Writing to Learn strategies across the curriculum. We have engaged in a School Improvement Partnership with Lilydale Heights Secondary College this term. This will enable us to work on a range of approaches to our strategies to improve our student's Writing skills. Our leadership team travelled to Melbourne this week and joined their leadership team to share ideas and planning for improving student outcomes at BSC.

Please ensure all students join in the great day for our whole School Athletics day next Thursday 18th Oct. This is important that it is a whole school event, building our sense of community and encouraging participation across the year levels.

Saturday October 27th is another amazing event. This time at the Gaol - the Arts Extravaganza! Please support the school and see our student's creative work and performances.

Our students Short film on bullying and its impact, was nominated as a finalist in this years Tidy Towns Awards, Young leaders category. Sinnead, Jordyn and Leela and their parents joined me at the Awards dinner on Saturday, along with representatives from all the Finalist towns. They did not win this category, as there were some other outstanding finalists. Achieving nomination was a great success when entries came from across the state. Well done to the team.

Attendance at School

A reminder to parents as we start term four, that daily attendance is important for all children and young people to succeed in education and to ensure they don't fall behind both socially and developmentally:

- School participation maximises life opportunities for children and young people by providing them with education and support networks.
- School helps children to develop important skills, knowledge and values that set them up for further learning and participation in their community.
- School helps them to make the most of life opportunities.

A child missing one day a fortnight will miss four weeks in a year, and more than a year of school by Year 10 with this pattern throughout school. It is important that students develop regular attendance habits.

Patricia Broom - Principal

Important Dates

Tue 16th October
Yr 9-10 Hockey

Thu 18th October
House Athletics

Fri 19th October
Solar Car Race Day

Sat 20th October
1st Dragon Boat Training 10am
Gateway Lakes Wodonga

Mon 22nd October
School Council Meeting

Tue 23rd October
Production Roadshow

Wed 24th October
* Last Day Year 12 & Assembly
* Yr 11 Biology Camp

Sat 27th October
Arts Extravaganza Old Gaol

Tue 30th October
* Yr 7&8 Indonesian Cultural Day
* Fit2Drive Yr 11

Wed 31st October-2nd Nov
VCAA English Yr 12 Exams

Fri 2nd November
Defence Force Careers Presentation

Sun 4th November
2nd Dragon Boat Training 2pm
Gateway Lakes Wodonga

Mon 5th November
PUPIL FREE DAY

Tue 6th November
Melbourne Cup Day

Sun 11th November
Dragon Boat Regatta

Fri 16th - Tue 20th November
Yr 10 & 11 Exams

Fri 23rd November
Yr 12 Graduation Dinner

Tue 27th November - Fri 7th Dec
Indonesian Trip

House Athletics

Albury Athletics Track, Thursday October 18th

Buses will be leaving after form assembly from BSC and will return to BSC at the end of the day for the usual bus departure arrangements.

There will be NO pick up or drop off at Yackandandah due to difficulties with bus numbers, permission forms and supervision.

PERMISSION FORMS THAT WERE RETURNED FOR THE HOUSE SWIMMING AND CROSS COUNTRY ARE STILL VALID FOR THE ATHLETICS.

STUDENTS WHO HAVE NOT RETURNED FORMS FROM EARLIER IN THE YEAR WILL RECEIVE A NEW ONE TO RETURN. NO FORM – NO GO.

Please note: There will be NO student supervision or classes at school.

Competitors can be in only 5 INDIVIDUAL EVENTS and ONE Relay.

What to bring: hat, sunscreen, dress in house colors, Face paint available, sunglasses, water bottle, kiosk will operate, will and drive to compete in as many events as you can!

Cross fingers for the weather!
AppleMack

Winners! Indigo and Asha -Inner Vision

2018 Dreamfields Creative Youth Awards Prize Winners:

We are excited to announce that Beechworth SC students Indigo and Asha have, as The Inner Vision, won the Dreamfields Award at Henty Field Days. Their prize being First Offer for the 2019 Somerset UK Creative Youth Exchange and will go to the UK in May 2019. Congratulations!



Uniform Shop

Opening hours on Transition Day
Tuesday 11th December 2018

8.30am-9am
10.15am-10.45am
1.15pm-2.30pm
3.30pm-4.30pm

Opening hours during the School
Holidays in January 2019

Friday 18th January 11am-4pm
Saturday 19th January 11am-2pm
Tuesday 22nd January 11am-4pm

Please note that there will be a price increase for 2019 and as soon as we have this information at hand we will let you know.

We encourage parents to get in early and purchase/layby for 2019.

Sarah Healy

Congratulations to Sarah Healey in Yr 12 for winning third prize in the State for her essay on the first woman elected to the Victorian Parliament in the Parliament Prize competition. Sarah was presented with an award before the holidays at Parliament House and also spoke on ABC Radio about her award. Well done Sarah!





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EXTRAVAGANZA

A celebration of youth in Beechworth

SATURDAY 27TH OCTOBER

5 - 8 PM, THE OLD BEECHWORTH GAOL
Crn Williams St & Ford St, Beechworth

FREE ENTRY
ALL WELCOME

MARKET STALLS
FOOD STALLS
CHILLOUT SPACES
MUSIC, DRAMATIC PERFORMANCE
ART EXHIBITIONS, ROBOTIC DISPLAYS

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Schoolies For Victorian school leavers, schoolies is a time to celebrate an exciting milestone in their lives but this shouldn't mean impacting their health and safety, or causing problems for the communities where they decide to celebrate.

It's a good idea to know where your school leaver will be and what their plans are for end of year celebrations:

- where are they going? For example, what is the address of where they will be staying?
- the names of their friends who they will be travelling with.
- how you can contact them if you need to.

Encourage your school leaver to register where they are going and find out more about safe partying at www.goodtimesgreatbreaks.com



The maths challenge is a fun way for you, your family and friends to explore and solve problems. Take on as few or as many challenges as you like. Work together to find your own solutions.

Head to the maths gallery to check out entries from our first Challenge participants!
Sign up for the challenge online at: Global2
<http://vmc.global2.vic.edu.au/>
To access maths tips and tricks for your child, see:
Maths tips for children

Yackandandah Study Hub

Homework help for BSC students
Yackandandah Primary School
Wednesdays
5pm until 6pm.

Contact Mr or Mrs Barnard for more information



Solar Car practice day last week of term 3

School tractor is up for tender-

Description:

Massey Ferguson 135 - Year of Make 1960

4 cylinder, Petrol

New battery, recently serviced

In Full working order

Includes Carry All and Rotary Slasher



Tractor is available for viewing by appointment with Martin Hendriks 03 57281264

Written Expressions of Interest with offer must be received at the school office by Friday 26th October, 2018.

Liz Wilkinson
Business Manager



Tidy Towns Finalists

The Tidy Towns Awards dinner was held last Saturday night and we were proud to have Sinead, Leela and Jordyn there as finalists for their fantastic video on bullying. Unfortunately the girls weren't successful on winning an award but we congratulate them on their wonderful achievements.

GP Program – Help 4 U.



Last term we ran the Help 4 U program with all Year 9 students, local GP Christie Rodda, local pharmacist Kelly Williams, Health teacher Joanne Morrison and School Nurse, Ange Davidson.

The program is an interactive workshop, where students get to participate in different activities and discussion around health. The workshop aims to increase young people's access to local GP's and health services, break down barriers between young people and GPs, local services, provide education regarding access to local health and wellbeing agencies and online, provide information to improve young people's knowledge around topics of sexual health, mental health, respectful relationships, confidentiality, managing stress and trauma and supporting friends.

Evaluations of the Help 4 U workshops and students feedback showed an increase in skills, decision making and health literacy around Mental Health, Sexual Health, Alcohol and other drugs, improved understanding of and how to access the health services available in their local community, an understanding of how to support their peers, increased partnerships between education, health and community services in supporting young people.

A big thank you to Quercus Support for generously funding the program. We are very appreciative of their support which allows Help 4 U continue to run.

YEAR 8 QUEENSCLIFF CAMP

On the 8th of October the year eights left early that morning to head to Queenscliff where we attended camp Wyuna. As we arrived at camp, the camp staff toured us through our cabins before settling in and starting the fun!

We got involved with many activities including surfing, bike riding and other sports around camp. The first activity we attended was tossing water balloons where we learned about the history of Queenscliff as well as having a blast. The second activity we attended was surfing which was a hit for the majority of the year eights. This activity was led by two or three professional surfers who lead us through a safety talk and assisted us with anything concerning us about the activity. The last guided activity that was led by a staff member was a bike ride around the ocean where some got to walk the pier and go to a historic cave along the way. Some year eights even got to participate in fishing.

Back at camp each meal was planned out very well and every meal was delicious as well as filling. Fifteen minutes before each meal the duty group would set up for the meal as well as clean up after the meal. The camp cooks were also very considerate to those who were vegan, vegetarian or to anyone with dietary conditions, making them a separate dish to eat that meets their needs. There were four lodges but two were accommodated by the boys and one was accommodated by the girls. Each cabin was equipped with two bunk beds, a heater and shelving, two rooms would share one bathroom between them where we had a shower, two sinks and toilet. Every lodge was comfortable and was named after something with significance for example, the cave that some were able to see along the bike was called Buckles as well as a lodge was named after it. Overall our stay was a great experience and was fun for everyone.

Written by Briana Wingard and Brynn Larkings





The Reconnect program has been designed to help people turn their life around for the better and to assist you into training and employment. Teaming up with a mentor, you will be assisted with developing a career plan, motivation, gaining work experience, enrolling into study and finding employment.

You are eligible for this program if you are one of the following:

17 - 19 years old	20 - 64 years old
Not completed year 12 or equivalent (Cert II or above)	Not completed year 12 or equivalent (Cert II or above)
Not currently studying	Unemployed from full-time employment for more than 12 months
Not in full-time employment	

Contact our friendly reconnect team and find out your options today

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RECONNECTING INTO EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Wodonga TAFE is offering the Reconnect program to assist people in the Towong, Indigo and Alpine shire communities to re-engage with an education and employment pathway.

There is no cost involved for the participants of this program which can help people with drafting a career plan, resume writing, finding and applying for jobs, education pathway planning and goal setting activities. Using specialised funding and support from the Victorian Government, the Reconnect program is currently helping a variety of people from stay-at-home mums whose skills are outdated, people with transportation difficulties, as well as long-term unemployed who have no current educational skills.

This program is aimed at 17 – 64 years olds (not currently studying), who have not completed Year 12, have not obtained a Certificate II or above in studies and are currently not in full time** employment. For further information about the Reconnect program contact Wodonga TAFE customer service team on 1300 698 233 or email info@wodongatafe.edu.au

*Funding for the Reconnect Program is being provided by the Victorian Government, through the Department of Education and Training **Reconnect Program is open to participants who are employed casually and part-time.

TRAINING STARTS TUESDAY 16/10 @ WAVES
5:30 - 7PM
SEASON STARTS FRIDAY 19/10.

WODONGA WATERPOLO CLUB

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JUNIOR COME & TRY SESSIONS

COME & TRY WATER POLO SESSIONS FOR PLAYERS BORN 2005, 2006 OR 2007. MALE & FEMALE. MUST BE ABLE TO SWIM 25M - BUT NO PRIOR WATER POLO EXPERIENCE NEEDED!

THURSDAY 18TH
FROM 5 PM - 6:30 PM @ WAVES WODONGA

Season starts Saturday 27th October and runs until March, with time off over the summer holidays.

For more info head to: facebook.com/wodongawaterpoloclub or email: presidentwodongawaterpolo@gmail.com



IDENTIFYING FAMILY VIOLENCE



FREE SESSION

This introductory session is for workers and community members wanting to learn more about family violence.

The workshop unpacks the gendered nature of family violence, and provides an opportunity to explore the types of abuse and how to identify, respond and refer.

The session builds participants skills to ask questions and respond to disclosure. It includes a component on risk assessment and safety planning based on the Common Risk Assessment Framework (CRAF).

WEDNESDAY 24TH OCTOBER

1pm to 3.15pm

Beechworth Health
Function Rooms 1 & 2

52 Sydney Road
Beechworth VIC 3747

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Learn locally and start your health career

Study in your local community - gain the skills and knowledge to work in residential aged care, and home and community care support roles.

Certificate III in Individual Support (Ageing, Home and Community) CHC33015

Make a difference in other people's lives - support them to maintain their independence and health. If you would like to learn how to assist clients in their homes or in care facilities, apply now for your place in this course. You will gain real experience working in the healthcare industry, with practical placement included in this course to give you hands-on training at a local care facility and a head-start on your career!

Apply now

Commencing in October 2018 (days and times to be advised), finishing mid-year 2019. Delivered in Yackandandah, with classes at Yackandandah Community Centre, supported by Yackandandah Health.

For more information

Please attend the information session Thursday 11 October 2018, 5pm, Yackandandah Community Centre.

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