

Contacts 2010

Personal Difficulties
College Support Team:
Sue Bull / Alan Paterson
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College Nurse: Barb Semler

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Katyl (A Wing)
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Jason Bysouth / Bree Franks

Merin (C Wing)
Learning Community
Leanne Miller / Tim McInnes

Kappen (Library)
Learning Community
Sue Pollard / Trent Bysouth

Wannop (Hall)
Learning Community
Ron Llewelyn / Paul Ellis

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Merin MBW Ben Waters
MCE Christine Edgar
MCH Christine Henty
MHP Helen Peppink
MJS Christine Henty
MJT Jean Stephens
MKD Karen Dale
MLS Leigh Schroeter
MNC Chris Toose
MRJ Ron James
MSM Shawn McCormick
MTJ Therese Johnston
MTV Jennie Ryan

Katyl LBM Bettina Morrison
LBP Barbara Pelly
LCJ Carolyn Jones
LCN Chloe Neath
LDA Dianne Andrea
LGD Geoff Dempster
LJM Jill McKenzie
LMA Mark Adams
LMR Matthew Reeves
LSB Sue Bull
LTD Terrie Dempster
LTL Tim Lawrance

Wannop WBL Ben Lee
WDC David Crowley
WDM David Morrison-Blunck
WKP Kristen Purden
WMH Meryl Hayes
WMW Monica White
WRJ Raelene Jeffrey
WSS Sarah Smith
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KGS Gary Schroeder
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Weeroona College Bendigo

NEWSLETTER

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Lunch: 11.46 am—12.34 pm

Recess: 1.47 pm—2.07 pm

Finish: 3.20 pm

Office Hours:

Monday—Thursday

8.15 am—4.15 pm

Friday

8.15 am—4.00 pm

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What's Happening Term 4....

Calendar

October

27th:: Bendigo Cup Holiday

29th:: Year 7 Boys & Girls Immunisations

November

1st:: School Council

18th—21st:: RACV Energy Breakthrough

23rd:: Instrumental Music Concert—A.T. Dingle Performing Arts Centre 7.30pm

25th:: Year 10 Exams

26th:: Year 10 Exams

December

2nd:: Year 10 Valedictory Dinner

6th:: School Council

7th:: 2011 Year 7 Transition Day

7th:: Awards Evening

17th:: Last Day of Term 4

February

4th:: Start Up Day—1pm-8pm

7th:: Normal Classes resume

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome back to Term 4 for both staff and students. I trust you had a relaxing and enjoyable holiday break and are ready to attend to your studies with the diligence that is required to end the year on a positive note.

We have commenced Term 4 on a very busy note. The Bendigo Education Plan schools hosted David Hopkins, Chief Ministerial Advisor on School standards UK, to work with members of the Leadership Teams across our schools to implement Learning Walks. David is well researched on the needs of providing personalised learning opportunities within the curriculum for students. Weeroona College Bendigo hosted David Hopkins last Thursday 7th October, where he spent the morning walking through classes and speaking with students. I would like to particularly thank the staff and students involved in the Learning Walks program. What was really evident, and commented upon by all our visitors, was the respectful relationships between staff – staff, staff-students and students-students along with evidence of teachers working hard to meet the needs of students in a variety of ways.

On Sunday I will be accompanying four staff members, Jason Bysouth, Christine Edgar, Sue Pollard and Kim Saddler, to Canada to attend a conference and visit schools that are implementing a self-directed learning approach to their curriculum. As a College we are committed to moving towards a more personalised approach to our studies and this trip will provide a greater knowledge base for us to make some decisions around this endeavour.

In our absence (18th October – 2nd November) the following staff changes will be apparent. Helen Tuohey will be Acting Principal, Chris Toose will be Acting Assistant Principal, Terrie Dempster will be Acting Katyii Learning Community Leader and Alan Aylward will be Acting Kappen Learning Community Leader.

Weeroona College Bendigo has been honoured with an invitation to represent the Loddon Mallee Region at a special reception for the Premiers Reading Challenge to be hosted by the Premier of Victoria, John Brumby MP. The reception will be held on Thursday 21 October at the National Gallery of Victoria and we are invited to send four students and two staff members to represent our school at the reception. One student will represent the school to receive a framed certificate for the school from the Premier. It is terrific for our school to receive this recognition as we continue to encourage everyone at Weeroona to read.

Kim Saddler
Principal Intern

Leanne Preece
Principal

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Immunisations

The last round of immunisations will take place Friday 29th October for Yr 7 Boys & Girls. They will begin at 9.30am approx.

Any queries about immunisations should be directed to the Greater City of Bendigo, Immunisation Coordinator - Angela Evans on 5434 6312.

Year 10 Rugby Tops 2011

For 2011 the Year 10 students will be able to purchase rugby tops to wear. The tops will be in a combination of the school colours- navy, maroon and white and all current Yr 9 students will be able to vote on their preferred style.

The rugby top will again have the school logo and students will be able to have their nominated 'name' embroidered near the logo.

Cost will be slightly higher than for the 2010 hoodie, but hopefully can be subsidized in some way.

Order forms will be organised to go out to all current Year 9 students as soon as possible. Orders and money will need to be back to the General Office approximately by the end of Week 4.

Helen Tuohey
Assistant Principal

A NOTE FROM THE OFFICE...

We will be sending out a package to families in the next couple of weeks with information regarding next year. The mail out will include next year's booklist, intention to hire text books, family statements and more!

Booklists

Booklists for students for 2011 will be sent home in a couple of week's time. The book collection will be held at the Crook Street Hall in January, a date will be advised at a later time. A reminder to families that you cannot use EMA to pay for stationary items. EMA may be used for any school fees, electives, book hire, camps & excursions.

Text Books

Intention to hire text books for 2011 will be sent home shortly. Parents will be able to indicate if you would like to hire text books for your child/ren in 2011.

BPAY

Families are now able to pay for school charges using Bpay. Details are printed on family statements. If you would like to make a payment in the upcoming weeks using Bpay, please contact the General Office for details.

CAREERS NEWS

Apprenticeship Opportunities for Year 10 Students

CVGT currently have at least 4 employers in Bendigo who are looking for 1st year apprentice chefs (full-time).

The employers have no particular requirement regarding education level but anyone who applies must be really keen to enter this industry and become a chef.

Enthusiastic students who see this as their career path of choice will require area resume with current referees and school to be given to Mrs. Quarrier in the pathways office.

SUMMERTIME PLACEMENTS AT THE YMCA

The Y is keen to hear from people to work as Lifeguards and Customer Service staff in Bendigo - Brennan Park Flora Hill, Kangaroo Flat, Bendigo Aquatic Centre, Heathcote and in Mount Alexander Shire - Castlemaine and Harcourt pools.

The YMCA web site:

<http://www.bendigo.ymca.org.au/positionsvacant/Pages/default.aspx> provides the application form, details of the positions and requirements and the email/phone contact for Tamara Ivanovic (applications go to her).

Local Water Park Vacancies over this Summer

A Local Water Park is looking for some school based kids for casual work from mid November to late March-April.

The positions are for "several" lifeguards, kiosk operators and some "general hands". There will be split shifts from 9am-1pm & 1pm-6pm approximately.

Resume's of interested Year 10 students to submitted to Mrs. Quarrier in the Pathways Office

BTEC Information Evening

Bendigo Technical Education College (BTEC) is holding an Information Evening for Year 10, 11 & 12 students. You are invited to come along and hear 'first hand' from students, teachers and employers about their personal experiences at BTEC.

Employment outcomes, course information, fee structures and other important details will be discussed.

At BTEC we offer VCE & VCAL programs to Year 10, 11 & 12 students who are looking at a career in the trades and want to undertake a school-based apprenticeship.

Date: Wednesday 20th October, 2010
 Time: 6.30pm – 8.30pm – light food & soft drinks from 6.30pm.
 Venue: BTEC, Cnr St. Andrew's Ave & Myers Street, Bendigo
 RSVP: Monday 18th October, 2010 to Rachael Wells on 5434 1881 or rwells@britafe.vic.edu.au
www.bendigotec.edu.au

Linda Quarrier
 Pathways Coordinator

SPORTS NEWS

Super 8's Cricket

Last Friday saw a boys and girls Super 8's Cricket squad represent WCB at the regional Championship held at Beischer Park.

The girl's team improved a great deal throughout the course of the day and ultimately won their last game.

The Boys squad produced excellent results and they were very unlucky not to make the finals, losing two games by very narrow margins, ultimately the year 7/8 Boys team won three of their four games.

Each and every member of both squads were excellent in their application, effort and behaviour. A special thanks to many parents who supported the squads throughout the day.

Northern Zone Athletics

Thursday the 7th October saw the Northern Zone Athletics Carnival held at the Latrobe University Athletics Complex, Bendigo. Below is a breakdown of results:

Brayden S	4 th 13yr Long Jump 1 st 13yr Javelin
Declan S	4 th 16yr Shot Put 2 nd 16yr Hurdles 4 th 16yr Long Jump 2 nd 16yr High Jump
Tori B	1 st 15yr Hurdles
Stephen R	3 rd 13yr Triple Jump
Kaitlyn B	6 th 13yr Discus
Shelley T	1 st 16yr 800m 2 nd 16yr 1500m
Joshua D	5 th 14yr High Jump
Matthew C	1 st 14yr 800m 1 st 14yr 400m 1 st 14yr 1500m
Grace C	4 th 15yr 800m 7 th 15yr Long Jump
Sarah N	2 nd 15yr 200m
Max S	4 th 14yr Javelin
Nathan J	4 th 14yr Shot Put
Ruby C	2 nd 13yr Javelin
Brenton H	9 th 15yr 1500m
Rhys I	1 st 16yr 1500m

It is a fantastic effort for Weeroona College Bendigo to have five individual students represent the College at the VSSSA State Finals to be held on Tuesday 19th October at Olympic Park, Melbourne.

A sensational result and we wish the competitors well at the upcoming state finals. A special mention to Matthew C who will represent WCB at the upcoming state finals in three events, an extraordinary effort. Good Luck also to Tori B, Shelley T, Brayden S and Rhys I.

Congratulations to Laura W – Another Championship (Shooting)

Monday 11th October saw WCB student Laura W represent the college at the Winchester Sponsored Field and Game Shooting championships held at the Benalla Field and Game shooting complex.

Laura had great success in the school based Clay Target Championships where she was crowned Junior Girls champion. Laura continued her great form at the Benalla championships. Her powers of concentration and skill in the art of shooting saw her ultimately crowned the female champion of the competition and ultimately she received the Calma Olholm Perpetual Trophy as the female Champion of the competition.

A well deserved congratulations to Laura from the college community for her success in recent competitions. Laura is a fine ambassador for Weeroona College Bendigo.



Laura with the Calma Olholm Perpetual Trophy as female winner of the Benalla based Victorian Field and Game Championships.

UPCOMING SPORTS DATES

Super 8's Cricket – Date to be advised. (Cancelled due to wet weather on Friday 16th Oct)

Tuesday 19th October – VSSSA State Track & Field Finals

Friday 29th October – Boys Cricket (forwarded date from prior game that was cancelled)

Shawn McCormick
Sports Coordinator

WCB UNIFORM SHOP HOURS – DOBSONS

The uniform shop has moved to the far right portable at the front of the school.

All customers please note: The W C B Uniform Shop can only process CASH transactions or CREDIT CARD (not cards connected to a debit card) whilst in our temporary facilities. Apologies for any inconvenience. Lay-by is available. Some second-hand uniform items are available.

Term 3 SHOP HOURS:

Mon - 2.00 pm – 5.00 pm Thurs - 8.30 am – 12.00 pm

NAPLAN – Civics and Citizenship

This Thursday 21st October, 2010, Ms. Lee's K10A Humanities class will be undertaking the Civics and Citizenship NAPLAN.

The assessment will focus on civics knowledge and understanding and the skills and values needed for active citizenship. Active citizenship promotes students as active and informed citizens with an understanding and appreciation of Australia's system of government and civic life.

This is the third time that a national Year 6 and Year 10 assessment of civics and citizenship has been held. The purpose is to inform schools, education ministers and the community about the achievements of Australia's students. It is part of a national plan to monitor and report student achievement in the areas identified in the *National Goals for Schooling in the Twenty-first Century*.

If you would like further information please contact the College.

Brian Edebohls
Assessment & Reporting

YEAR 10 PHOTOS

We have available to order a photo of all Year 10 Students. Cost of the photo is \$25 and is to be paid at the General Office. Orders close on Friday 22nd October, 2010.

COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS

From Thursday 2 September until Sunday 31st October, 2010, every \$10 spent* at Coles Supermarkets will earn customers a Coles Sports for Schools voucher worth 1 point. For as little as 85 points schools will be able to get some brand new sporting equipment! Please support this by collecting vouchers and placing them in the box provided in the main foyer near the General Office.

EAGLEHAWK DAHLIA & ARTS FESTIVAL YOUTH ART SCHOLARSHIP 2011

The Eaglehawk Dahlia and Arts Festival Committee have initiated Youth Scholarship to encourage the **Eaglehawk Youth** to achieve their potential in their chosen field of art. The scholarship is to the value of \$1000. The art is to complement the Festival programme i.e. Literacy, Visual or Performing Arts. Further Details and a nomination form are available on the Committee's website www.dahlia.bendigo.net.au

Nominations for the scholarship close on 26th November, 2010.

BLANK BRONZE SILVER GOLD

**ALL NEW STUDENTS
ALL YEAR 7 STUDENTS
ORGANISED LOCKER**

**FULL SEMESTER
FULL SCHOOL UNI-
FORM
NO RISK ENTRIES
OVER 98% ATTEND-
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DEVELOPE A INDIVID-
UAL LEARNING PLAN
ORGANISED LEARNING
JOURNAL
ONE SESSION PER
WEEK IS NEOGOTI-
ATED WITH
ADVISOR(MUST STAY
IN SCHOOL GROUNDS)**

**FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM
DEVELOPED AN INDIVIDU-
AL LEARNING PLAN
ORGANISED LEARNING
(E.G. GOALS TIMETABLE)**

**FULL YEAR
FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM
NO RISK ENTRIES
OVER 98% ATTENDANCE
DEVELOPE A INDIVIDUAL
LEARNING PLAN
ORGANISED LEARNING
JOURNAL
TWO SESSIONS PER
WEEK NEOGOTIATED
WITH ADVISOR(MAY
SIGN IN OR OUT OF
SCHOOL.**