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WCB UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL
4th Last Day of Term 1 - 2:30pm finish
21st Easter Monday
22nd First Day of Term 2
23rd Parent Student Teacher Conferences (pm)
24th Parent Student Teacher Conferences (am)
25th *No Scheduled Classes on this day

MAY
7th WCB Cross Country
13th NAPLAN Testing
19th Immunisations for:
Year 7 Boys & Girls
Year 9 Boys

SCHOOL TIMES
Start 9.00am
Lunch 11.45am - 12.35pm
Recess 1.45pm - 2.05pm
Finish 3.15pm

OFFICE HOURS
Monday – Friday
8.15am – 4.00pm

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS
Tuesday 2.00pm – 5.00pm
Thursday 8.30am – 12.00pm

Weeroona College Bendigo Vision Statement
Students at Weeroona College Bendigo are actively engaged in their learning which is personalized according to their needs and interests. Our students are independent; know what they need to learn and our teachers challenge and support them to achieve personal excellence.
FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

College Council News
The first meeting of our newly formed College Council was held on Monday night and I would like to welcome all new and returning councillors as follows:

Parent Representatives
Gillian Davey
Danielle Duval
Geoff Hamilton
Andrew Pollock (Treasurer)
Fran Shaw
Len Sheridan (Vice President)
Michael Short
Brian Stratford

Community Representatives – Co-opted
Sonia Evans (President)
Students - Ellymay A and Ethan C

DEECD Representatives
Jason Bysouth
Michelle Griffin
Tim Lawrance
Leanne Preece (Executive Officer)
Helen Tuohey

Also at this meeting, I presented the 2013 Annual Report and you can find a copy on our College website.

One Team, One Goal – Celebrating Diversity
At Weeroona College Bendigo we always encourage students to be respectful and supportive of each other. We are excited to be participating in a new AFL and Victorian Government competition using football as a way to celebrate multiculturalism and diversity.

In the competition – One Team, One Goal – Celebrating Diversity – our school can win a $5,000-grant, a football clinic with an AFL footballer, tickets to an AFL match during Multicultural Round and limited edition AFL footballs.

To enter, students need to design a logo reflecting the competition’s theme – with the winning logo to be printed on limited edition Sherrin footballs. This is a wonderful opportunity to talk to your children about diversity.

The final logo will be designed on a school computer, however students are encouraged to work on their designs at home with your support. The competition website has more information about how to enter: www.education.vic.gov.au/oneteam

Leanne Preece
Principal

FROM OUR ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

Assessment
At Weeroona College Bendigo the method and practice of teaching affirms the important role of assessment to promote learning through timely feedback that informs future teaching and learning and builds students’ confidence in their ability to learn. The Weeroona College Bendigo community uses assessment information to support improvements in student learning. In this way the school promotes assessment for learning (monitoring students through diagnostic and other assessment to target teaching), assessment as learning (enabling student to reflect on their own learning) and assessment of learning (to gather evidence in the relevant subject achievement standards).

Assessment Definition
Assessment is the ongoing process of gathering, analysing and reflecting on evidence to make informed and consistent judgments to improve future student learning.

Purposes of assessment
Assessment for improved student learning and deep understanding requires a range of assessment practices to be used with three overarching purposes:

- Assessment FOR learning - occurs when teachers use inferences about student progress to inform their teaching.
- Assessment AS learning - occurs when students reflect on and monitors their progress to inform their future learning goals.
- Assessment OF learning - occurs when teachers use evidence of student learning to make judgements on student achievement against goals and standards.

Reporting at Weeroona College Bendigo
Reporting is the process by which assessment information is communicated to help students, parents, teachers and the system to make decisions by providing information about what students know and can do, together with recommendations for their future learning. At Weeroona College Bendigo written reports to parents are communicated four times per year. These consist of interim reports which are completed at the end of Terms.
1 and 3, and end of semester formal reports which are shared at the end of Terms 2 and 4.

Weeroona College Bendigo parents are provided the opportunity twice per year to meet with teachers to discuss their child’s educational performance and pathway opportunities. These face to face conferences take place early in Term’s 2 and 3. Parent teacher interviews are scheduled to take place on the evening of Wednesday 23rd April and the morning of Thursday 24th April. Further details together with PTO log on information will be mailed out in the coming weeks.

For families who require 2 copies of reports for each parent, please ensure you contact the General Office to confirm your details.

Jason Bysouth
Assistant Principal

SPORT

Year 7 & 8 Boys Cricket – Sandhurst Division
The Year 7 & 8 Boys competed in the Sandhurst Division Cricket competition on Monday 17th March at the Strathfieldaye Soccer Complex. The games were played in damp conditions under a threatening sky which resulted in some rain breaks throughout the course of the competition. All involved were excellent in their efforts and approach.

The Boys first game was played against Girton Grammar. The WCB Boys bowled very tight holding Girton to a score of 7 for 52. Donovin V, Jesse B and Jarrett M bowled particularly well. WCB responded with a score of 3 for 92 with Jack B crafting a very impressive 38. This resulted in a strong victory for the Weeroona College Bendigo team.

The second game saw WCB take on Bendigo South East Secondary College. With the ground not as wet as the morning session, WCB again bowled and fielded very well holding BSE to a score of 5 for 91. In reply, WCB made a score of 5 for 61 from their designated overs. Some untimely run out did not help Weeroona’s cause.

Thanks to local cricket identity Barry Findlay for his efforts in coaching the team throughout the day.

Year 9 & 10 Volleyball- Sandhurst Division
On Friday 7th March, the Weeroona College Bendigo Year 9 & 10 Boys and Girls Volleyball teams competed in the Sandhurst division Volleyball Competition held at the Bendigo Entertainment Complex.

Both teams were competitive throughout the competition with both teams finishing in fourth position out of eight teams. The boys challenged in each and every game and displayed a fine range of skills. The girls teamed well and displayed vast improvement throughout the course of the competition.

Thanks to the VET Sport and Recreation students involved in assisting throughout the competition. Below is a picture of both teams who represented the college on the day.

Upcoming Sporting Events

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MEDIA STUDIES AT WCB

We are proud to announce that our Media Studies students have worked very hard to produce an ad that will be aired on Channel 7 in April.

It will be advertising a new organisation called “Foundation 97” which has been developed to support people who have spinal cord injuries but no insurance cover. The campaign is based around the theme of ‘Lucky I’m Alive’ and features a “Foundation 97” ambassador by the name of Danni Di Toro, a former World Champion wheelchair tennis player.

Our students worked extremely hard to film, edit and produce an excellent advert that will help enhance the lives of spinal cord injured people. “Foundation 97” has been developed after years of hard work by local Bendigo people Noel and Tracey Clarke. Noel is an ex Motorcross rider who suffered a major spinal cord injury in unusual circumstances, coming off his bike at a slow 15 KPH in a paddock on a farm. He had no TAC insurance and has been wheelchair bound ever since.

I am very proud of the efforts of our Year 10 students from 2013, Laura C, Jake R and Euan P and two 2014 Year 9 students Mitchell H and Nicole H. A 30 second television ad takes a lot of technical work to produce and the students have had an excellent real life experience in producing this ad. Thanks also to some excellent support from our I.T. team Daniel Sharman and Will Holt.

The Foundation has a lot of corporate support including Bendigo Bank, City of Greater Bendigo, Austin Health, Australian Quadriplegic Association, Royal Talbot Rehabilitation Centre, Bendigo Publishing as well as Channel 7.

Tim Lawrance
Media Studies Teacher

IMMUNISATIONS

Year 7, Year 9 Boys and Year 10 Immunisations were held on Tuesday 18th March. If your child was absent on the day and you wish for them to have their vaccination, please contact the Bendigo City Council on (03) 5434 6312. They will be able to help you with your enquiries or alternatively, you are more than welcome to phone the school nurse (Sarah Warburton) who can assist you with Bendigo Council Immunisation times that your child can attend.

Sarah Warburton
Secondary School Nurse
Hours: Monday & Tuesday

SOUTH BENDIGO FOOTBALL CLUB

U14 Players required
• Train and play locally at Weeroona Oval
• Senior & Reserve Grades
• Friendly and welcoming environment
• Professional Development Program

If you are interested in playing football for U14 teams, contact Chris Lloyd on 0421 717 605 or simply come to training and try out.

Where: Weeroona College School Oval
When: Monday & Wednesday nights
Time: 4:30pm – 5:45pm

**Limited positions available**
The Suicide Prevention Awareness Network suicide walk on March 23 is designed to allow those touched by suicide to remember loved ones, friends, work or school mates and to raise awareness of the issue of suicide across the broader Central Victorian community. The walk will be approximately 3 km.

**9.30am:** Registration opens in Dai Gum San Chinese precinct at 1-11 Bridge Street, Bendigo. $15 with SPAN walk T-shirt. Free with no T-shirt.

**10.50am:** Official welcoming ceremony.

**11am:** SPAN suicide awareness walk starts.

**Noon:** Walk finishes at Dai Gum San Chinese precinct.

**12.30pm:** Official speeches by guest speakers and Butterfly Remembrance ceremony.

**12.40pm:** Free sausage sizzle lunch served.

**12.40pm:** Entertainment provided by Mez Whittle and the Castlemaine Pipe Band.

Follow event news at www.bendigo advertiser.com.au

Sponsorship and general inquiries: Alannah McGregor
by email at alannah.m.15@gmail.com or phone 0408 541 082
These outstanding ensembles present well-known classics, marches and film music – as well as dramatic contemporary repertoire.

A highlight will be the Premier Performance of the demanding and exciting “Lyric Suite” by Scott Cameron, composed in 2013 for The Grainger Wind Symphony.

4.00pm Sunday March 30
Performing Arts Auditorium
Bendigo South East College
(enter from Ellis Street)
Interested in playing Table Tennis?

**Bendigo & District Table Tennis Association has places available in the Junior program.**

During each School term BDTTA runs its Junior development program on Friday nights. The program is open to beginners and experienced players. The emphasis is on participation, fun and learning to improve your table tennis skills and games are played in various formats. The program is open to Girls and Boys up to 18 years of age.

**Details**

**Where:**
The Stadium is located at 140 Victoria Street, Eaglehawk. Telephone: (03) 5446 1839

**When:**
Term 2 starts Friday 2nd May and runs each Friday between 7PM and 9PM during the term.

**Fees:**
Registration (including insurance cover) $5 per school term. Subs $3 per Friday night

**Equipment:**
You need to wear a pair of rubber soled ‘non marking’ runners or gym shoes. Balls provided. Bat, bring your own or we can lend you one on the night.

**More Info:**
If you would like to give it a try or need more information please contact: Andrew Lewis on 0418 335 596


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**Oceania Cup & Championship on in Bendigo 16-21 April**


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**Event Schedule**

- **Wednesday 16th April**
  - 18:00 - Opening Ceremony

- **Thursday 17th April**
  - 20:00 - Team Semi Finals

- **Friday 18th April**
  - 13:00 - Gold Medal matches for Under 21
  - 18:00 - Gold Medal matches for Men's and Women's Team

- **Saturday 19th April**
  - Individual Events commence
  - 18:00 - Mixed Doubles Gold Medal

- **Sunday 20th April**
  - 19:00 - ITTF-Oceania Cup Semi Finals

- **Monday 21st April**
  - 10:00 - Gold Medal matches commence
  - 16:00 - ITTF-Oceania Cup Gold Medal

**Ticketing Info**

- Tickets available through Bendigo Tourism on 1800 813 153 (20% advance purchase discount)
- or at the door

- Daily Ticket: $10 Adult, $5 Child
- Friday 18th April – from 18:00
- Sunday 20th April – from 18:00
- Monday 21st April – from 10:00

- Event Ticket: $20 Adult, $10 Child
- Access to all ticketed sessions

All other times free entry

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**Event Partners:**

- KSPORTS
- ITTFWorldCup
- ITTFoceania.com

**Sanctioned by:**

- Ksports
- ITTFoceania

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Bendigo and surrounding areas, you are invited to

**Movies on the Green**

at Holy Rosary Primary School

**Frozen**

**Date:** Friday March 28, 2014

**Time:** From 6pm-11.30pm  
Movie to start at dusk (approx. 8.15pm)

**Where:** Holy Rosary Primary School, Napier Street, White Hills  
(parking off Hamelin Street)

**Cost:** $5 per person, or $20 per family of 6

Bring your chair, rug or bean bag. BBQ tea, fairy floss, popcorn and drinks available to purchase.

Fun Zone: Includes jumping castle, face painting and sports activities run by SEDA

Snacks and drinks are welcome but please no glass.

Pre-purchase tickets from Holy Rosary Primary School Office - Ph 5448 4280

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