

WCB VISION

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UPCOMING EVENTS

OPEN HOURS

SCHOOL

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

OFFICE

Monday – Thursday
8.15am – 4.15pm
Friday
8.15am – 4.00pm

UNIFORMS - Noone

Monday to Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm
Saturday 10:00am - 1:00pm

21 Queen Street Bendigo.
(03) 5440 5600

JULY	
31ST	<i>Whole Staff Berry Street Training—No Classes for students</i>
AUGUST	
9TH	<i>Elective information evening for Year 8 and 9 students - 7 pm - Merin Building</i>
7TH—9TH	<i>Year 7 Camp - Campaspe Downs</i>
23RD—25TH	<i>Year 9 Camp - Melbourne Urban Camp</i>

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M8B Elizabeth Nicholson
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M9B Lucy James
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K9B Sarah Davis
K1A Tara Podkington
K1B Sophie Alford

FROM THE PRINCIPAL TEAM

We would like to welcome everybody back to Term 3. The term has had a busy start with students from the Energy Breakthrough Team representing the college at Sandown last weekend. We have also had students competing in netball tournaments with other schools across the Bendigo district. All these students and staff represented the school in a very positive light.

The National Aborigines' and Islanders' Day Observance Committee or NAIDOC celebrations occurred during the school holidays from July 2-9. As part of WCB celebrations students undertook a number of activities including basketweaving, traditional games and participated in a smoking ceremony to officially unveil a mural designed by Ally Charles.

This mural has been specifically designed for the community of Weeroona College Bendigo.

It details our children's journey and experience through the educational system. It signifies all levels of leadership and supports developed by Weeroona College Bendigo and the Victorian Education Department.

The lower section of the painting represents the 18 clans of Dja Dja Wurrung country and the ancestors who have paved the way for the youth of today, continuing to look over our youth.

The circle in the middle represents the heart of Weeroona College Bendigo and the overall education system in place to nurture, inspire and enable strong members of the community.

The red, yellow, blue and green colours represent the four connecting communities of Weeroona College Bendigo.

Lastly, the top section represents the friendships and pathways that the students partake and develop throughout their personal and educational journey whilst being supported a Weeroona College Bendigo.

We would like to thank Jason Kerr for the ceremony and didgeridoo playing. We would also like to thank Ally Charles and Tammy Nancarrow for their tireless efforts in completing the painting.

Jason Bysouth


Sarah Trew

Principal









Assistant Principal



ADMINISTRATION NEWS



Brotherhood of St Laurence
Working for an Australia free of poverty

 <p>Saver Plus</p> <p>Program includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matched dollar for dollar savings up to \$500 • Money Minded workshops - Financial Education • Coaching on budgeting and savings <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>SCAN ME</p> </div>	<p>Eligibility Criteria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be a health/concession card holder; • Be in receipt of a Centrelink Payment • Be studying or have a child in school • Have some regular income from work • Be 18+ years old 	 <p>State Schools' Relief</p> <p>Provides school uniforms and shoes to those that are unable to afford them.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>SCAN ME</p> </div>
 <p>Camps, Sports and Education Fund</p> <p>Funding to attend activities like:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • school camps or trips • swimming and school-organised sports programs • outdoor education programs • excursions and incursions <p>\$125 per year for eligible primary school students \$225 per year for eligible secondary school students.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>SCAN ME</p> </div>	<p>Eligibility Criteria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent must be a health/concession card holder; • Or families on protection/bridging visas, or seeking asylum; • Or children in out of home care 	 <p>Computerbank</p> <p>Low cost refurbished computers that include various programs including word processing, Google Chrome and PDF Maker</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>SCAN ME</p> </div>

Weeroona College Bendigo Beanies -

Available to purchase @ our Administration Office for \$20 or from our College uniform supplier Noone - 21 Queen Street Bendigo.



Bus Information-

Important update for students who are approved for travel on the School Bus Program: Thank you for your patience while the School Bus Management System (SBMS) has been under maintenance.

The School Bus Management System has now been upgraded, and the new Student Travel Assistance Portal will be available from early Term 3.

It is important to note that the School Bus Program Policy has not changed, and navigating the new Student Travel Assistance Portal will be very similar to the previous SBMS.

The Student Travel Assistance Portal requires new log in details. All existing users will be sent their new username and a link to create a new password via the email address attached to your SBMS account, to allow you to access the system.

In relation to Term 3 travel:

All eligible and conditional travellers (those approved for travel at no cost) will continue to be approved for travel in Term 3.

All ineligible travellers will be communicated with shortly. They will be provided with a Term 3 travel offer and payment advice. As per previous terms, families will need to make the applicable bus fare payment of \$125 to be approved for travel in Term 3.

To check your current e-mail address is on file, or to update your contact details, please contact the School Bus Program team on schoolbus@education.vic.gov.au or call us on 1800 338 663.

Blue EDGE Program

Term 2

Last term, 22 Year 7 students completed and graduated from the Blue EDGE program. Students displayed increasing teamwork, leadership and discipline throughout the term. Students were exemplary in completing the fitness sessions at the beginning of the day, with everyone giving it a go and trying their best all the time

This graduation was the sixth group of students to complete the program, with 105 students from WCB so far receiving their sports-watch as recognition of their effort. The program has now become semester based, with students only completing one session per week. 20 students have just begun their journey for the remainder of the year.

Congratulations to the following students for successfully graduating:

Xavier Attard-Mitchell

Madelyn Beaton

Mannix Blair

Joseph Bryant

Nobleson Chris

Summer Clarke

Georgie Collier

Gemma Denton

Isabella Farrell

Darcy Ford

Samuel Griffiths

Tyler Lwin

Ashley Lythgo

Will Marshall

Tyler Minster

Jack Newton

Angus Paterson

Jaxson Read

Tahnee Richardson

Darcy Scarcella

Connor Ulbrich

Jacob Wel



Callum Draper

Blue EDGE Program



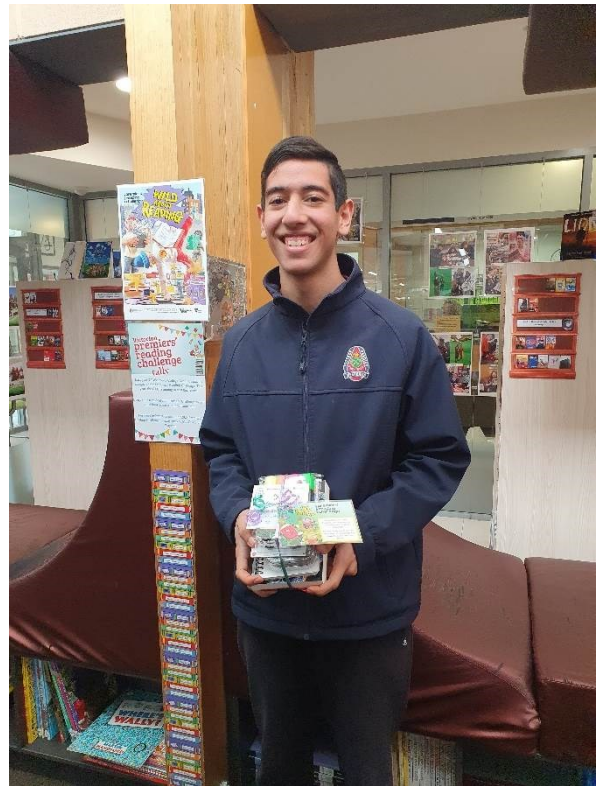
Premiers' Reading Challenge

The Premiers' Reading Challenge closes this term on September 8th. All WCB students are registered to participate in this very achievable challenge and it is fantastic to see that 51 students have already successfully completed it. The Challenge encourages children and students to read 15 books over the year and record their efforts online. Since the Challenge first began in 2005, more than 4 million students have read over 57 million books. To date, WCB students have recorded over 2,100 books on the website this year.

All students who finish the Challenge receive a certificate from the Office of the Premier, an invitation to attend a celebratory lunch hosted by the GLC and the chance to win lucky prizes drawn from a pool of student completers. Congratulations to Basil Elkomos who was the winner of our third lucky draw. For more information about the PRC please refer to Compass, visit the GLC or ask your English teacher. More information can be obtained from:

<https://www.vic.gov.au/premiers-reading-challenge>

<https://vprc.eduweb.vic.gov.au/home>



Book Week – Read, Grow, Inspire

Each year since 1945 the CBCA has brought children and books together across Australia through Children's Book Week. During this time schools and public libraries spend one glorious week celebrating books and Australian children's authors and illustrators.

Book Week this term will run during Week 7 (August 21st-25th). The Global Learning Centre will once again be celebrating this week with a number of competitions and activities. Please keep an eye on Compass for notifications closer to the event date.

There will be a special meeting of Book Club during this week on Tuesday 22nd August at lunchtime.



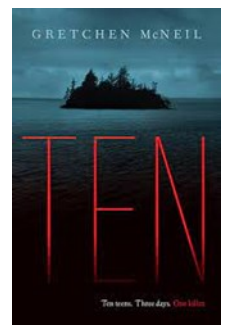
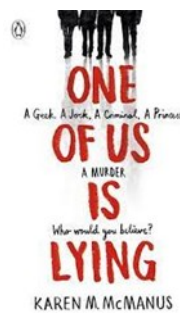
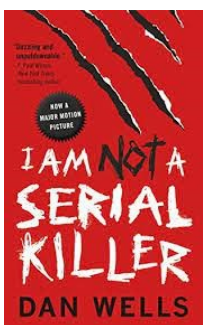
BOOK CARE POEM

So, you've chosen me off the book shelf,
Well, you'd better watch yourself,
I'm tired of being treated with little regard,
Your abuse and neglect has left me scarred,
Shoving me in your pencil case is plain wrong,
And don't abandon me outside all day long,
Wash and dry your hands before you touch me,
Being covered in food and grime is ghastly,
I am not a ball, so don't throw me about,
Don't graffiti me with pencil, ink or white out,
Do not bend my delicate spine and bear in mind,
I must be kept away from liquid of any kind,
Use a flat bookmark to keep your place,
Dog-earring my pages is an utter disgrace,
My contact is not a scab you should pick,
Refrain from ripping my pages like a lunatic,
A hot car is not an appropriate place to reside,
Melted glue binding is not healthy or dignified,
Pets of varying types and I do not get along,
And babies can be destructively strong,
So...you'd better start treating me nice
or prepare to pay the ultimate papercut price!

The Global Learning Centre is responsible for over 39,000 resources, with approximately 2,500 books on loan at any given time. It is important that students take care of our valuable resources, so that they may be utilized and enjoyed for many years. If you have accidentally damaged or lost one of our library books,



Most Popular Books in the GLC



2024 ELECTIVES INFORMATION EVENING

Parents and students in Years 8 and 9 are invited to attend the Electives Information Evening on Wednesday the 9th of August at 7 pm, in Merin Learning Community. The evening will begin with an information session to explain the process students must undertake to select their 2024 electives. Teachers will be present to answer questions about the electives subjects and provide further information to assist students in choosing the best electives to suit their interests and career pathways.

MATHS

The Australian Mathematics Competition (AMC)

When: Friday 4th August 2023

Entry closing dates: Friday 28th July 2023

Cost: Free for students (subsidised by the Mathematics Faculty)

The AMC is an engaging 30-problem competition that demonstrates the importance and relevance of Mathematics in students' everyday lives; it is open to all students in years 7 to 10 at WCB. Australia's leading educators and academics, with a deep understanding of our national curriculum standards, actively design the unique AMC problems each year.

Teachers coordinate the AMC on a nominated day and the competition is fully online.

The AMC has 2 divisions available at WCB - Junior (years 7–8) and Intermediate (years 9–10).

Students wishing to register for the AMC need to give their name to their Maths teacher before Friday July 28th.

All information can be accessed on the following website: <https://www.amt.edu.au/amc>

Sample Question

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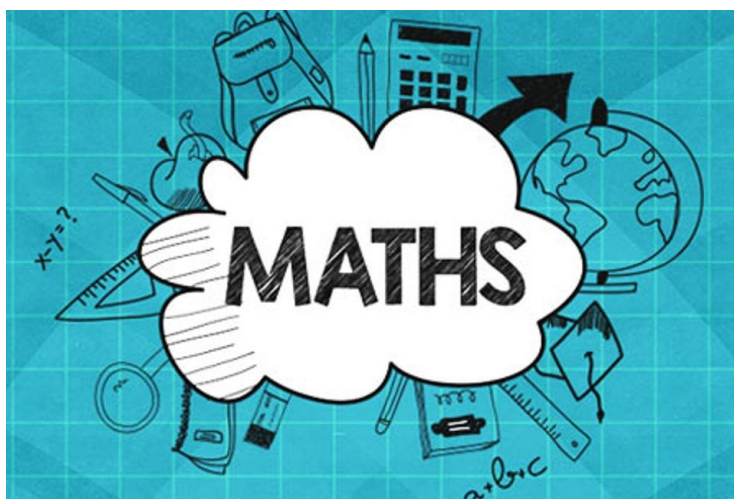
Consecutive numbers are written on five separate cards, one on each card. If the sum of the smallest three numbers is 60, what is the sum of the largest three numbers?

- (A) 62 (B) 63 (C) 64 (D) 65 (E) 66

Alternative 1

The average of the three smallest is 20, so they will be 19, 20 and 21. Then the largest three numbers are 21, 22 and 23, which add to 66,

hence (E).



ENERGY BREAKTHROUGH

We had our third race of the Victorian HPV series at Sandown Raceway this was the first time a HPV race had been held at that track. It was a great day and we thoroughly enjoyed using the race car garages. Our junior team Intimidator won their third successive race, our senior teams faired very well with Banshee taking out third place and Boomerang finishing a respectable sixth. The senior teams have been racing against year twelves all year!

Training has resumed for this term, over the course of this term vehicles will get a full service and be prepped for our next race, this time we'll be repainting the vehicles in preparation for Maryborough. Training will be a mixture of fitness and preparation of the vehicles, but also include some compulsory sessions for our display and presentation preparation these sessions will be on compass as well. A reminder to students if you cant make training for any reason its important to notify Mr. McIntosh or Mr. Draper.

We have locked in our first Bunnings sausage sizzle for the year, it is scheduled to be held on Sunday the 22nd of October, a late change from the original August date due to a clash. More information will be available early next term.

The annual Scouts Victoria Monster Raffle is back for another year. The tickets are available online and there is a post on the school social media accounts and our QR code is below. A great fundraiser that supports the Scouts and us. \$1.50 from every ticket sold goes directly to us! Tickets are \$2 each.

The raffle will be drawn at 11am on Friday, 18 November 2022 at Victorian Scout Centre 152 Forster Road, Mt Waverley VIC 3149. The holder of the winning ticket **does not need to be present**. The winner will be notified by telephone and email (if provided).

Our next race is at Casey Fields round four on Saturday the 21st of October.



Thanks to all of our sponsors for your ongoing support. If you or someone you know is interested in sponsoring the team please contact me via the school for more information.

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Jack McIntosh

Energy Breakthrough Leader





CAMPS

YEAR 7 CAMP—

Monday August 7th at 9am to Wednesday August 9th at 3.15pm

To allow students to get to know students and staff from other learning communities outside of the classroom environment. To provide a fun and challenging experience and immerse students in school culture. Increasing student connectedness to peers and school.

Students will be participating in a range of activities over the 3 days including canoeing, rock climbing, giant swing and many more. The cost of this camp will be a total of \$260. If you have applied for CSEF, or had this previously please contact the Administration Office to secure your camp spot.

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YEAR 9 CAMP—

Wednesday, 23 August at 09:00 AM to Friday 25th August 2023

The Urban Camp is designed for students to explore Melbourne city and experience the culture and diversity associated with Melbourne as well as visits to some of the sights and experiences it can offer.

The total cost of this camp will be \$350.00.

To secure a spot on this camp could you please consent and pay a **\$50.00 deposit by Friday July 28th.**

Final \$300.00 payment will be due by 19th August.

If you require a payment plan, please contact Sonya or Rhiannon in the office by the 28th of July.

If you have CSEF, please contact the office to arrange using this for payment ASAP.

This camp looks at exploring Melbourne and aims to reduce the barriers experienced by regional Year 9s to participating in the city's rich artistic landscape and provides access to a range of dynamic and exciting Arts programs. Activities will include, street art and bender studio tour, Artvo, eureka skydeck (night) Kingpin bowl and arcade, Melbourne Zoo as well as other activities.

Accommodation: Students will be staying at CYC City.

Transport: Train (to Melbourne and return) and trams (around Melbourne city) Meals: All meals are provided by CYC City, however, students will need to bring money or a packed lunch for the first day.



RAINBOW CLUB

Happy 1st Birthday!!

Rainbow Club has been running for a year! We decided to celebrate our many exciting achievements with a rainbow cake, and had great fun singing 'Happy Birthday' along with our mascot Stevie, who loved blowing out the candle. We are very lucky to have such a fantastic, fun group of students!

Rainbow Club Mentor Badges

We were very excited to present the Rainbow Club mentors with their new badges in a whole school assembly. Rainbow Club has only been running for a year, and these students have contributed excellent ideas and put great effort into many different areas, helping to run Rainbow Club meetings and events.

The mentors have also increased inclusion at Weeroona College Bendigo, and demonstrated excellent leadership skills, helping to make Rainbow Club such a great success. Thankyou to every mentor, and a big congratulations to:

MERIN

Tayte SPICER

Quinn EMERSON

KAPPEN

Erin DENNIS

Caitlyn LOUGHNANE-NEULANDS

Jordan MURPHY

KATYIL

Moon VINCENT

WANNOP

Felix WILSON

Alexis KNIGHT



PERFORMING ARTS

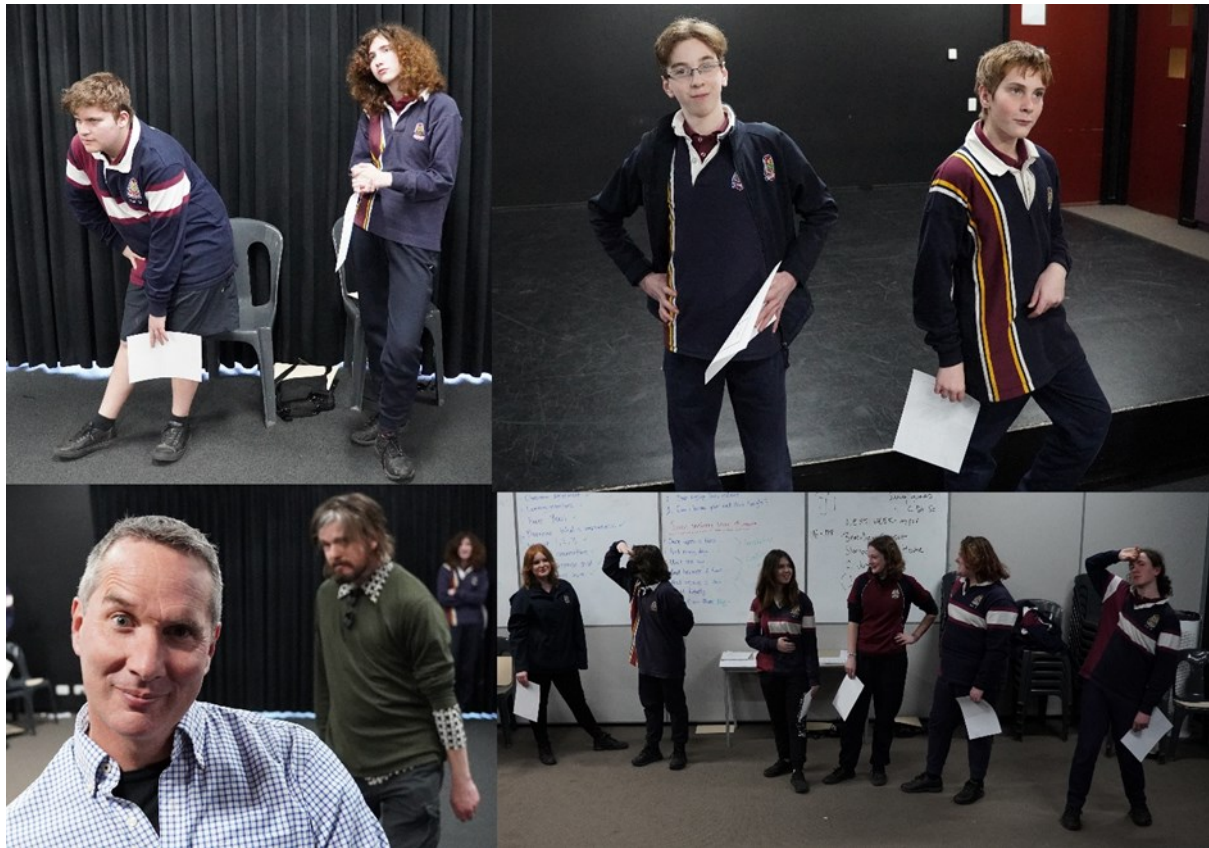
Look out, here we come !!!!

Term 2 was great! Term 3 is looking to be just as great if how quickly the calendar is filling is anything to go by. There are some great performances and concerts both in school and out of school coming up, Fretworks, this is Music Week equivalent for guitar, bass guitar and drum students. Rehearsals, both in classes and lunchtime rock bands. Like I said, Look out !!!!

Music Week – With Weeroona College Bendigo students represented in every ensemble and them displaying all of our College values, Music Week was a huge success for all instrumental students involved and the Bendigo Instrumental Music Program (BIMP). Have a look at the photos to see just how good this event was -



One Act Play Festival: Directors Workshop – With our One Act Play Festival announced, this means we need directors. Mr Hickmott and Mr Emond recently ran a Directors Workshop for all One Act Play Festival participants. Going by the photos it looks like a lot of fun was had. Wednesday, September 6th, put it on your calendar. The One Act Play Festival is going to be great!



Term 3 – So, what does Term 3 hold for our fantastic Performing Arts Department? Here's a run-down, dates to come soon –

Count Basie Band visiting Crusoe College (Yr7 Bands)

Hargraves Mall Performances

Presentation Band rehearsals

Celebration Concert (Presentation Band and Symphonic Band)

Noise Fest Concert

One Act Play Festival

Fretworks

No doubt there will be more dates added to this list. It's going to be another great term full of great performances.

Keep an eye on Compass for events, instrumental lessons, rehearsal lessons and music and drama classes. Parents, please feel free to contact me at Weeroona College Bendigo on 5443 2133 or via email at christopher.blackshaw@education.vic.gov.au . Finally, check out my interview with Amayah Seboa straight after here violin lesson.

All the best, Chris.



AMAYAH SEBOA



- What do you love about your instrument?
That it's angelic
- What do you love most about learning to play music?
It's fun and I like being able to play music with other people
- What are your favourite pieces to play right now?
A Flat and Sweet Child of Mine
- What music do you listen to at home?
Lana Del Ray
- What are the goals that your teacher has set for you this week?
To practice more
- What do you find to be most challenging?
Also, to practice more and new pieces (of music)
- Can you tell me how you succeeded in what you were trying to achieve?
How I've succeeded is by not quitting
- When is your next performance?
In my Music Elective class
- What would you say to a grade 6 student who wants to sign up for instrumental lessons next year
Give it go, don't quit and practice practice !!!!

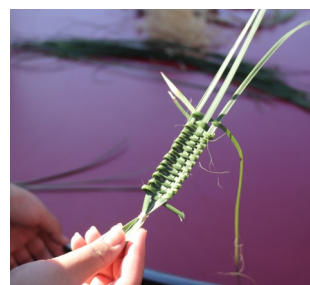
Thanks

Amayah

NAIDOC WEEK

The past week at WCB we have been celebrating NAIDOC Week (which occurred during the school term break). It has featured indigenous activities and games at lunch, a whole school assembly followed by a free BBQ lunch and the centerpiece of our celebrations, the official unveiling of our recently completed indigenous mural.

It has been a wonderful celebration of the indigenous culture enjoyed by all who have participated.





WEEROONA COLLEGE BENDIGO
PE CRT
REQUIRED

Are you a PE Casual Relief Teacher looking for regular work?
Do you want to work in a supportive team environment?
Must have current VIT.
Please email your expression of interest to -
Tracey Lee (Daily Organiser) -
tracey.lee@education.vic.gov.au



Bendigo Country Bus Network

Interchange Supervisors (Permanent Part-Time)

Bendigo Country Bus Network is looking for a team of personnel required to assist with the general overseeing of the safe movement of student travellers through the Tom Flood Sports Complex bus interchange.

The Interchange forms part of the Bendigo School Bus Program (SBP) Network, which is managed by Bus Coordinator, located at Bendigo South East Secondary College (BSE). BSE is the Coordinating School for the network. The Department's SBP Policy forms the framework used in the management of the network and the SBP Country Buses only.

Note: (PTV is responsible for the management of Bendigo's public services including School Town Specials (STS) operated by Christians Bus Company).

The Interchange hosts numerous country buses supporting students from local schools across the Bendigo area to travel into/out to their designated schools.

Successful candidates will need to provide supervision at the interchange in the mornings between 8.15am and 9.15am, and/or in the afternoons between 3.15pm and 4.15pm during school terms.

Interchange supervisors will need to monitor student movement within the bus zones. Issues must be reported to the Bus Coordinator for further investigation/action.

Appointment of successful applicants will be made subject to satisfactory pre-employment conditions check. A probationary period may apply during the first 3 months of employment and induction and support manual provided.

Requirements for the position;

- *Police check*
- *Working with Children Check (Employee)*
- *Mobile Phone (remuneration will be provided)*

For further enquires and/or to send your curriculum vitae to the HR manager at Bendigo South East College. All applications to be forward to bendigo.southeast.sc@education.vic.gov.au

Applications close on the 28th July 2023 at 5pm.