

NEWSLETTER

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Learners today Leaders tomorrow

DON'T FORGET

Please remember smoking is banned within four metres of an entrance to all Victorian Schools and within the school grounds



**FAMOUS PEOPLE DRESS UP DAY
LAST DAY OF TERM JUNE 30TH
GOLD COIN DONATION**

A reminder that Wednesday 28 June is allocated for 3 Way Conferences. Students are to attend in full uniform for their appointment time only.

Fidget Spinners

Fidget Spinners are not to be brought to school. We are experiencing situations where the spinners are being broken, stolen and causing students to be distracted from their learning throughout the day. If students decide to bring spinners to school, teachers will collect them for the day and return them at the end of the day.

Students requiring sensory items to assist with their learning, already have appropriate models provided for them.

Lost Property

There are a great deal of jumpers, jackets and non-school items collected over the last term in the lost property cupboard. We will put them all out on display in the Gym for our final Assembly, so please take the time to go through the pile. Any un-named school uniforms remaining at the end of the day will be washed and added to our Second-hand uniform shop, while other clothes may be sent to the Op-Shop.

If you purchase new uniforms over the break, please ensure each item of clothing is clearly named; if this is not possible, see your child's teacher on the first day who will gladly write your child's name on the clothing with a fabric pen.

NAIDOC Week

Ms Mel and Mrs Roberts have worked very hard at organising wonderful activities for our whole school community to celebrate NAIDOC Week in classrooms, which we are celebrating next week due to the fast approach of school holidays.

If you come into the school next week, please have a look at the beautiful display they have put up in our foyer.

NAIDOC celebrations are held around Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. so take the time to look out for opportunities to learn more about Indigenous Culture / History during the holiday period.

Year 6 Cottage by the Sea - School Camp 2017

Permission notes have already been sent home this week, for the 2017 School Camp. More information to follow.

Passions & Pathways

Passions & Pathways is starting to take shape for this year with permission forms sent home this week. Year 6 Students will begin to visit businesses and take part in training and forums that introduce them to local businesses in Bendigo. The newsletter will feature stories alongside the student's journey.

Last day of term

The last day of term is Friday 30 June. School will finish an hour earlier. Please make sure you are here to collect your child/ren at 2.15pm.

Enjoy the weekend.

Julie Hommelhoff

Principal

**Last day Term
2
June 30th
2.15pm Finish**



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STUDENT LEADER COUNCIL



Famous People Dress Up Day

Friday 30th June. Our Student Leader Council are raising money towards an end of year event. Don't forget your gold coin donation on the day.

School fete

If you have any containers that could be used to replant bulbs for our school fete could you please bring them to the office.

Thank you!

NET SET GO

The school has been lucky enough to be able to conduct a net set go program which is designed to teach basic skills to children between the ages of 5 and 12. The program will run for the next ten weeks beginning on Monday May 29th at 11.00am in the gym. Please encourage your child to come along and attend this program as the children who participated a few years ago had a wonderful time. If you would like to join us in the gym on Monday morning you would be most welcome.

3 Way Conferences 28 June 2017

Students are to attend their conference time only. Students are to be in full uniform. Further information will be sent home in the coming week. Put this date in your diary.

WE WANT OUR STUDENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK



Our school is conducting a survey to find out what your child thinks of our school. The Attitudes to School survey is an annual student survey offered by the Department of Education and Training to assist schools in gaining an understanding of students' perceptions and experience of school. Our school will use the survey results to plan programs and activities to improve your child's schooling experience.

The Department has updated the survey for 2017 to include important new measures that are known to influence student engagement and performance.

Students from Years 4, 5 and 6 at our school will participate in the survey. These students will complete the survey online during school hours using a purpose built secure online survey tool. It is important to note that we are not in any way "testing" your child. Your child has the right to refuse or withdraw from the survey at any point before, during, or after completion of the survey.

Each student will be provided with a unique login to complete the survey. The student login is an assigned identifier that may be used by the Department to combine data for research purposes only. Each student's privacy and the confidentiality of your child's survey responses will be protected at all times. No identifiable personal data is included in the survey response file.

The survey results will be reported back to the school in term 3. No student can be identified in the results reported to schools or in any other report of the data. The survey results will be communicated to parents through annual reporting.

This year the Attitudes to School survey will be conducted at our school over this week. The survey only takes 20-30 minutes to complete and occurs during class time.

Please speak to me if you would like more information or visit the Department of Education and Training website:

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/management/Pages/performsurveyat.aspx>.

Joanne Ryan

Assistant Principal



MUSIC NEWS



This week we have enjoyed learning about Woodwind Instruments. Weeroona College was once again kind enough to loan us a saxophone, clarinet and flute. A big thank you to Norma O'Dea who has kindly donated a range of musical instruments to our school. If you have any musical instruments at home you would like to donate to our music program please see Mrs Johnstone.



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NAME OUR POOL

Do you know a good name for our new aquatic and wellbeing centre?

The Greater Bendigo community is invited to submit their ideas for an appropriate name for the new centre, which is under construction in Browning Street, Kangaroo Flat.

FOR DETAILS AND ONLINE ENTRY FORM, GO TO:
www.bendigo.vic.gov.au/nameourpool

SATURDAY 1ST JULY 2017
WINTER DONATION DRIVE

BABY GEAR YOU NO LONGER NEED!

WANT IT TO GO TO SOMEONE IN NEED... THEN LET SUNSHINE BENDIGO RE-HOME IT!

DROP IT OFF
UNITING CHURCH HALL
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We accept new and used nursery equipment like cots, prams, car seats, highchairs, bassinets, change tables, toys and clothing (up to size 12) in good condition. If you are unsure about your items, feel free to contact us.

Woolworths Earn and Learn

Our school has registered with the Woolworths Earn and Learn Program, which commences on Wednesday the 26th July. Staff, parents and friends that shop at Woolworths can collect stickers to place on their sticker card. Once your sticker card is complete place them in the collection box at school. Please help make a difference to our school.



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Learners today Leaders tomorrow

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Vikki Stone

Social Worker:

Gai Maddams

School Council President

Sonia Valli

Parents and Friends President:

John Moosman

Calendar of events:

Tuesday June 27th - Horsham SC school band 2.15pm

Wednesday June 28th - 3 way conferences

Friday June 30th - Last day of Term 2 **2:15pm** finish

Friday June 30th - Famous People Dress up Day **GOLD COIN DONATION**

Monday 17th July - Term 3 commences

Friday July 21st - PJ and Hot Dog lunch day

Term 3



Friday July 21st will be our schools PJ Day / Hot Dog Lunch Day.

A gold coin will be required to wear your PJ's and all proceeds will go to National PJ Day

A Word from Ms Ryan

Happy birthday to Kie KS, Hayley H, Kobi G, Jayden T, Jasper A and Hser Wah Wah S.



We hope you all have a wonderful day.

If you have any special news that you are happy to share with the school please let Ms Ryan or Sue in the office know.

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