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VISION STATEMENT

Our vision is to empower our students and staff to work together to become active and valued community members. We provide a safe and supportive learning environment, which fosters independent, resilient lifelong learners.

Date	Event	📅
SEPTEMBER		
Mon 2 nd – 6 th	Bogong Ski Camp	
Thur 5 th	F-Yr 6 Incursion 'Habitat'	
Frid 6 th	Premiers' Reading Challenge Finishes..	
Tues 10 th	Subject Selection Year 7-11	
Fri 13 th	Year 4/5 Hospital Visit	
Mon 16 th	Year 4-6 Sandhurst Athletics	
Tues 17 th	Parent/Teacher Interviews	
Frid 20 th	SRC Footy Colours Day	
Frid 20th	Last Day Term 3 Finish 2.30pm	
OCTOBER		
Mon 7 th	First Day Term 4	

Principal's Report

School Saving Bonus

In Term 4, 2024, families with a child enrolled in a government school from Foundation to Year 12 in 2025 will receive the one-off \$400 School Saving Bonus.

The \$400 School Saving Bonus provides families with support for education-related costs, such as school activities and/or school uniforms and textbooks.

The School Saving Bonus is not available for full-fee international students, home schooled students, TAFE students and students attending kindergarten in 2025.

Actions for parents and carers

Before 18th October 2024, the Department of Education is asking parents and carers to:

- **Complete enrolment:** If your child, or children are changing government school for Term 1 2025 or starting in Foundation or Year 7 in 2025.
- **Check your contact information:** Ensure your email address and phone number is up to date with us. You can check this information by contacting us directly.

We need to ensure your contact information is up to date as the Department of Education will email you twice:

- in October, to verify your email address
- in November, with your \$400 School Saving Bonus.

Please check your junk mail regularly to make sure you do not miss an important email.

Further information about the School Saving Bonus will be available for parents and carers next week.

Assistant Principal

I would like to announce that Hayden Rowley was the successful applicant for the Assistant Principal position that was recently advertised. Hayden will commence his substantive role as our Assistant Principal at the beginning of the school year in 2025.

Whole School Review

Our school review has been completed. I have received the 'preliminary results' of the review and our school will be sent our final report early in term 4. I would like to thank all our stakeholders who participated and contributed within the 'focus groups' and the feedback that was provided on our current school processes and areas for improvement.

Parents' Club

A huge thank you to our Parents' Club for organising and conducting our Father's Day and Special Friends Breakfast this morning, which was very well represented. It is also fantastic to see our Parents Club and our SRC, working together in partnership to organise and purchase five brand new outdoor seating and table settings.

Although it is a busy time of year, we hope to see you at the many events that will be conducted this term and during Term 4. It is an excellent opportunity for families to strengthen connections with our school and continue the all-important relationships that will support student learning throughout this term and beyond.

Todd Woodfine

BDS Motto: 'Achieving Excellence Together'
BDS Beliefs and Values: Acting with Integrity and Honesty

HONESTY

LMR Hockey 7's

On Tuesday of Week 5, our Girls Hockey 7's team from Years 4-6 competed in the Loddon Mallee Region event. The team only had one opponent for the day with Irymple travelling down to Swan Hill to compete as well. With only one game the girls played an extended game that was a seesawing affair with a close game throughout. With Irymple getting an early goal the girls showed excellent resilience and determination and managed to score a leveller in the 3rd quarter before scoring with around 5 minutes left in the game to hold on to a victory.

A huge thank you to our supporters who came along for the day and Lily Caine who helped out doing the coaching for the day. Their next game is at the State Championships on Thursday 12th September in Footscray.



Mental Health Services and Support

Beyond Blue

24/7 mental health
Support service

1300 22 4636
beyondblue.org.au

Headspace

Online support and counselling to
young people aged 12 to 25

1800 650 890

(9am to 1 am daily)

For webchat visit:

headspace.org.au/eheadspace

Kids Helpline

24/7 crisis support and
suicide prevention services
for children and young
people aged 5 to 25

1800 55 1800

kidshelpline.com.au

Year 8 NCTTC Orientation

On Monday 19th August, our Year 8 students spent the day at the North Central Trade Training Centre (NCTTC) in Charlton getting a taste of the trade subjects that are on offer to them for next year. Students took classes in textiles, visual communication, metalwork, woodwork, media studies and agriculture/horticulture to find out which ones they wished to pursue an interest in. While it was a long day, all the students thoroughly enjoyed the experience to try new things and make friends with students from other schools.



Change of Date

Due to unforeseen circumstances the Subject Selection Counselling for Year 7-11 date of Thursday Sept 12th has been changed to Tuesday Sept 10th.

CANTEEN NEWS

People interested in being on an emergency list to work in the canteen please contact the School Business Manager - Lois Mitchell.

A Food Handling Certificate would be preferred but not essential.

Premiers' Reading Challenge.

Congratulation to those students who have completed the challenge. The challenge closes on 6th of September. If you are having trouble entering your child's books online, please send the completed check list to the Library before the 6th and we will enter them for you.



CALDER ATHLETICS

In Week 5, our Foundation to Year 6 students all travelled over to Charlton to take part in the annual Calder Athletics Carnival. Students took part in a variety of track and field events, scoring points for their schools. The student's hard work and practice over the weeks since our House Athletics was on full show and their efforts were amazing with the school coming away as Overall Winners of the carnival and also winning the Relay Shield. Great work by all students and staff who attended on the day.



History Roadshow

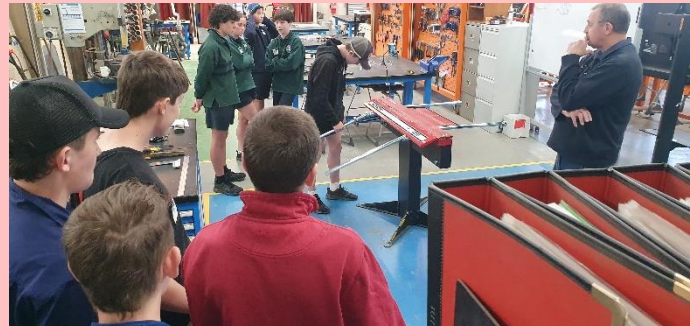
On Friday 16 August the Year 12 History class travelled to Bendigo to attend the History Council of Victoria's History Roadshow program at the Bendigo Library, as part of their studies on the French and Russian Revolutions. Highlights of the day included attending a lecture from world-renowned French Revolution historian, Professor Peter McPhee, along with a session on the Russian Revolution led by University of Melbourne's Dr. Oleg Beyda. Students also had the opportunity to view a travelling exhibition from the State Library of Victoria, that included letters signed by George Washington and Louis XVI.

Drew Crilly

Year 12 History teacher



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2024 Australian Geography Competition

In Semester 1, students in the Geography classes running at the time took part in the 2024 Australian Geography Competition. Congratulations to all those who sat the 30 minute multiple choice online test. Some excellent results were recorded (please see below).

Credit

Jonas Haw
Amelia Hosking
Harry Malone
Zane Polack

Drew Crilly
Humanities Coordinator

Year 9 Broader Horizons program

The Year 9s recently had the opportunity to spend three consecutive mornings in local workplaces, learning about a variety of jobs and experiencing a range of hands-on activities. One group visited Boort District Health each day, while the other students travelled to the Boort Grain Co-Operative, along with the Sawyer and Weaver farms. The Year 9s were very appreciative of the time taken by many members of our community to provide them with fantastic experiences tailored to their career interests, and we thank those people, along with the North Central Local Learning and Employment Network, for delivering a terrific program for our students.

Drew Crilly

Careers Coordinator



Crazy Hair Day

On Wednesday we had so many amazing hairstyles that managed to survive the wind for our Crazy Hair parade.

Our winners were:

Foundation: Tom M

Year 1: Emma S

Year 2: Mae M

Year 3: Naazneen A

Year 4: Elke H

Year 5: Layla H

Year 6: Eva P

Secondary: Sid C and Alice M

We raised \$132 for Cystic Fibrosis Australia, which goes to support young people living with Cystic Fibrosis, and their families.

Thank you to everyone who participated and brought in their gold coin donation.

Footy Colours Day

Our next event will be Footy Colours Day on the last day of this term, Friday 20th September, supporting the Fight Cancer Foundation. Again, we will be asking for a gold coin donation towards this worthy cause.

Sharon Pickering and Meredith Byrne
SRC Coordinators



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Year 1/2	Levi M	For great Smart Spelling tasks.
	Sebastian H	For super independent tasks.
	Emmanuel K	For helping other's with Smart Spelling tasks.
	Sienna A	For super reading.
	Casey G	For excellent work on repeated addition.
Year 4/5	Wafa M	For her beautiful manners and hard work in maths
	Pranvi S	For writing a wonderful detailed narrative titled My Robot.
	Connor M	For his studious attitude and hard work in all subjects.

Book Week

Last week was a wonderful celebration of books and reading. We had the Bunny Hunt throughout the week, with all six bunnies being found, the last one only being located on Friday afternoon!

Students from Foundation through to Year 8 (and some Year 12 students!) produced beautiful colouring of the official artwork of Book Week 2024 (see below). We had some thoughtful and gorgeous interpretations of the theme 'Reading in Magic' as part of the bookmark competition. I wish I could put them all in the newsletter.

Our week finished with the annual parade of book themed costumes. There were some AMAZING creations, from siblings dressed as Willy Wonka, Violet Beauregarde and an Oompa Loompa, to the Year 7s (and Mr Sims and Mrs Rees) as Snow White and the Seven Dwarves, from the F-6 staff as 'Gangster Grannies' to the Year 12s as 'Where is the Green Sheep'.

Thank you to Mr Woodfine and Mr Nickless for judging the colouring and bookmark competitions.

Finally, I would like to say a HUGE thank you to the Parents' Club, who donated all the prizes for our competitions. I really appreciate the support you continue to provide for the promotion of literacy in our school.

I can't wait to see what the theme is for next year's Book Week. Until then, happy reading!

Sharon Pickering
Learning Specialist- Literacy





COLOURING
WINNERS

Foundation- Pippa Nelson
Year 1- Daisy O'Flaherty
Year 2- Tyler Stringer
Year 3/4- Beau Kane
Year 5/6- Pearl Muller
Year 7/8- Alice Marsh
Year 12- Tayla Gooding



BOOKMARK
WINNERS

Foundation-
Noureen Mubarak
Year 1/2- Isabel Crilly
Year 3/4- Wafa Mubarak
Year 5/6- Layla Hare
Year 7/8- Grace Binu



PARENT'S CLUB
Father's Day
 BREAKFAST!!!

It was wonderful to see Dads & Special People at school for the breakfast. It was great to have you at school and even being able to go back in the classroom for a activity or two. I have heard some even went home with painted nails, a nice massage, some drawings and even heard astory being read. Thank you for coming and being with your kids at school, the kids really love having you with them. A big Thank you to John Buchanan and Jamie Sutton for getting at school nice and early to start cooking the bacon and eggs!

To Kath, Sherryn, Nikki, Jacinta, Merryn, Tom and PC for all your help to prepare and serve thank you!! Thank you also to the wonderful people that donated eggs. Thank you to anyone else I have missed.



HAPPY
Father's Day





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COMMUNITY NEWS

Boort-Yando Cricket Club Player EOI 24/25 Season.

U13/14 NDCA competition (Saturday mornings) Ages - 31/8/2011 - 2016

U17 ULCA - 1/10/2007 - 1/9/2011

Seniors - ULCA

Also seeking-

U13/14 Coach

U13/14 Team Manager

U17 Coach

U17 Team manager

Senior Captain/coach

Eoi's to boortyandoccl@gmail.com by 5/9/24 or to 0407 857 894

Golf Clinic

Mr Kane will run a free, 1-hour golf clinic for any students and interested parents on Friday 13th September, out at the golf club starting at 4pm. If you have any of your own clubs then please bring them along. Golf balls and spare clubs will be provided.

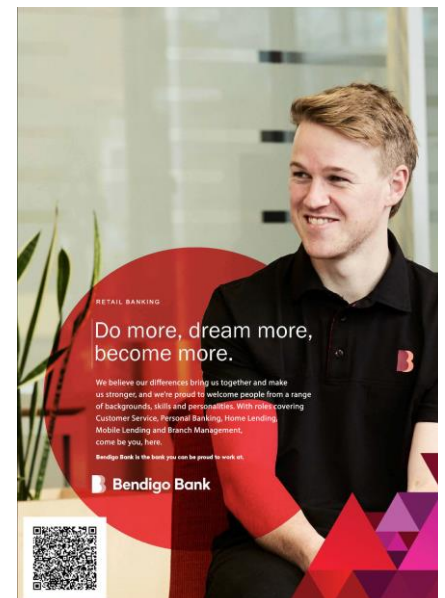
Bendigo Bank advertised position

Bendigo Bank has contacted the school regarding a full-time position at its Charlton branch. The link below has further information about this position and the QR code at the bottom of the Bendigo Bank poster has information about careers with the Bendigo Bank.

<https://careers-ext.bendigodelaide.com.au/jobs/customer-service-officer-community-bank-charlton-district-vic-victoria-australia?lApplicationSubSourceID=>

Drew Crilly

Careers Coordinator



Careers and Pathways

Remember!

YEAR 12 STUDENTS

EARLY ENTRY PROGRAMS

ACU Guarantee – Open Now

Latrobe ASPIRE – Open Now

Federation University – Open Now

CSU Advantage – Open Now

RMIT Early Offer – Open Now

Swinburne Early Entry Program – Open Now

Victoria University Early Entry Program – Open Now

Year 12 VTAC COURSE, SEAS, & SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Open Now!

www.vtac.edu.au

ACU SEAS SCHOLARSHIPS

www26.uac.edu.au/esapply/

Casper test Registrations Open Now – Education/Teaching Courses

Register for one of the following dates:

Friday September 20 2024 10am AEST

Sunday October 13 2024 10am AEDT

Sunday October 27 2024 10am AEDT

Sunday November 3 2024 10am AEDT

<https://my.acuityinsights.app/dates-times>



www.ncllen.org.au/careers.html

UPCOMING OPEN DAYS

Saturday 31st August

Aust Institute of Music – Melbourne Campus
Collarts – Melbourne Campuses

MOORABBIN AIR MUSEUM YOUTH AVIATION CAREERS EXPO SAT SEPT 14, 10am to 5pm



Considering a career in Aviation or Aerospace?

Come and talk to professionals from the industry and discover your future career.

Set among the incredible collection of aircraft at the Museum, this is a unique opportunity to learn about all aspects of aviation and pathways to achieve your goals, from pilots, to engineers, to crew and more. Also meet the amazing youth groups and theatre group that operate from the Museum on the day.



FREE ENTRY

To register to attend the Youth Aviation Careers Expo visit:

www.mamonlinestore.com.au/product/youth-aviation-careers-expo/1602

Pathways – How to get to your chosen course Webinar



Tuesday September 3, 5:30pm – 6:30pm

Pathways provide opportunities to use a qualification to get into another course. There may be more than one pathway to the qualification you want, in our webinar we will speak about the different types of pathways and provide some ideas in how you can get to your chosen course if you fall short of entry requirements.

To register visit:

<https://vtac.edu.au/events>

VCE Revision Lectures



September 23 to 26, 9:30am – 4:30pm

Completing VCE? Monash Science is excited to support students currently studying VCE through a series of on-campus revision lectures. These sessions are designed to reinforce key concepts in the curriculum and will be delivered by a qualified VCE teacher with extensive experience in their subject.

Maths Methods: Monday 23 September

Biology: Tuesday 24 September

Physics: Wednesday 25 September

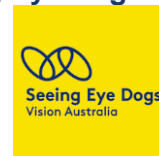
Chemistry: Thursday 26 September

To register visit:

<https://shop.monash.edu/shop-by-area/science/sci-student-activities/vce-revision.html>

Work Experience

Seeing Eye Dogs Australia



Seeing Eye Dogs offers limited weekday work experience placements at our kennel site in Kensington, Victoria. This unique program offers students the chance to learn about the vital work that we do to support the blind and low vision community whilst gaining hands-on industry experience.

Applications for placements in 2025 are now open.

To find out more visit:

<https://sed.visionaustralia.org/volunteer/office-and-Work-Experience>

Pam McConville 
Careers and Pathways

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