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# Bright P-12 College Newsletter

## YEAR 9 GEOGRAPHY – BIOMES in a box

Year 9 students have been looking at different Biomes, or ecosystems in Geography this term. Their project was to select one of the 5 major biomes of the world and create a 3D representation of it. Students worked in small groups on their research and construction of the displays. A formal presentation of their group's Biome will take place in class on Thursday. *Katrina Ciolli, Year 9 Geography teacher.*



## COLLEGE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT
Monday 11 April– Friday 15 April	YR 9 APOLLO BAY CAMP
Wednesday 13 April (all day)	Yr 10 Amazing Race in Bright (Youth Week)
Thursday 14 April (7.30-8.30)	Bright College Snowsports Team Information evening in the College Library
Tuesday 19 April	State Swimming Year 7 Immunisations
Thursday 21 April	SCHOOL PHOTOS

## STAR 6 Excursion

On Friday the year sixes had to wake up at about quarter past five in the morning, because they had to go to Melbourne. As they arrived at Scienceworks they were all so excited to start the day. The best part was probably about the liquid nitrogen being used on different objects ,and the Planetarium.

After Scienceworks, the year sixes went to the Aquarium and met Joe Grey after his model shoot. Then we went inside the Aquarium and had a talk about Antarctica, in which they demonstrated what clothes they wore over in Antarctica. Jack Banks and Mia Lynch had to dress up in embarrassing Eskimo clothes.

After that the year six's had a tour around the aquarium and saw a live crocodile, penguins different coloured/types of fish and sharks. After a long day we went to the gift shop.

After that they went onto the bus and started the long boring trip home. They stopped at a service centre for dinner for a while and then they hopped back on the bus and started the trip back. When they arrived home they were glad to hop off the bus and go home and tell everyone what had happened in Melbourne. By Jack Banks and Joe Vear



## HAPPY EASTER



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## Principal's Report

As we near the completion of the first term of 2016 and look forward to an imminent two week break, it is timely to reflect on the last nine weeks. Schools are now very busy environments, with much going on, in and out of the classrooms.

This term we have: welcomed our new Prep students, who have now completed their first term of formal education; welcomed our visitors from Bad Aibling; participated in many excursions and camps; covered the first nine weeks of the 2016 instructional program; elected new College leaders and a new College Council; attended many meetings; completed the first progress reports and Parent Teacher interviews; researched and planned the new Victorian curriculum for introduction in 2017, to name just a few of the events and goings on of the College.

I believe the start of the year has been very successful; busy yes, exhausting yes, but extremely rewarding. Our students have shown a preparedness to learn and achieve in all areas of the curriculum and extra-curricular activities, for which they should be commended. The staff have made an extraordinary effort and given their time freely, to ensure the success of the students and the College. The students have actively participated in lessons, extra curricula camps and excursions, and behaved admirably. You, the parents, have been involved in many diverse areas of College life, through participation in fundraising, College Council, Snow Sports, developing the grounds and facilities, reading with students and meeting with teachers. I am extremely grateful to everyone for your efforts this term, for it is through the effort and time we give, that we will succeed in continuing to build a strong College with a mighty reputation for excellence.

### College Council

I am pleased to announce that at the Bright P-12 College Council AGM the following office bearers were elected:

Bright P-12 College Council President – **Gerard Gray**

Bright P-12 College Council Vice President – **Fi Forbes**

Bright P-12 College Council Finance Sub-Committee Convenor – **Ty Caling**

During the AGM a reorganisation of College Council structure was discussed and passed. ***The College Council updated structure can be found on Page 16 of this newsletter.***

The **Bright P-12 College Sub-committees; Environment, Education and Policy and OSHC** are now using the P&F Sub-Committee model, of inviting any interested parents, staff and students to join the committee to broaden the representation and voice of the sub-committee in reporting to College Council. Please email Sally Cocks at; [cocks.sally.m@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:cocks.sally.m@edumail.vic.gov.au) if you are interested in joining a sub-committee by COB Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2016 .

***The meeting schedule for the sub-committees can be found on Page 17 of this newsletter.***

I wish you all a happy, relaxing and safe holiday and look forward to the challenges and excitement of Term 2.

*Jean Olley - Principal*







## Assistant Principal's Report

The term has come to an end and it has certainly flown by. There have been many **student achievements** to celebrate including **sport, student leadership and academic achievements**. I would like to thank the staff, parents and students for making term one a success and I look forward to term two and beyond.

### Parent Teacher Interviews

Thank you to the Secondary parents who will be attending Parent Teacher Interviews this week. Continued dialogue around student performance is important in developing academic rigour and improved student performance. Also to the staff, thank you, for your ongoing professionalism and making alternative times to see families that could not make assigned times.

### School Uniform

A reminder that term 2 will see the **transition period in the first two weeks for uniform**. Boys are reminded that grey shorts and or grey pants are acceptable for the first two weeks of term 2. Girls are reminded that blue shorts, dresses and/or blue pants are acceptable for the first two weeks of term 2 also. The **uniform shop will be open on Tuesdays from 3pm to 4.30pm and Thursdays from 8am to 9.30am**.

In regards to jewellery it is for safety reasons that only simple studs and small sleepers are acceptable. Earrings should be no larger than 1cm in diameter and should not dangle longer than 1cm. **Jewellery should be discreet**: no thick chokers, bangles or arm bands. In sport, students may need to remove jewellery if asked by the teacher.

### Headlice

We continue to see headlice in schools and parents should continue to treat students on a regular basis. The school holidays is a great time to treat your children. If you notice lice in your child's hair they cannot attend school until treatment has occurred. If lice are an ongoing issue for you and your family, please give me a call or an email so I can try to address concerns.

### Country Education Partnerships (CEP)

CEP is a leading voice on rural education. It provides a strong link between rural education and the state government and its voice is well respected nationally and internationally. I am pleased to announce that I have been elected as part of the Board for CEP. They recently held their Annual General Meeting in Melbourne where they presented their ambitions for 2016 and also discussed the success of the Rural Youth Ambassadors.

This team of secondary students from around the state ended up presenting their wishes for rural education to the Minister of Education. They discussed teacher retention as a major issue for rural communities as well as attracting graduate and quality teachers to rural locations.

I look forward to making a valuable contribution to the Board and will keep you up to date with the work of CEP over 2016.

### Japanese delivery to Katamatite Primary School

Next term Keiko Sanderink will commence teaching Japanese to the Katamatite Primary School through Virtual Learning and the Polycorn Conference. This is an exciting time and the launch of the Language Hub. Keiko has taken on a significant amount of work to learn and prepare for this so I wish her all the best for her new classes.

### Camps and Excursions

I would like to thank all of the staff who have attended camps and excursions over term 1. Without the support of the staff we would not be able to offer such wonderful and diverse programs for our students and I appreciate all of the work and effort put in. The students certainly get a lot out of these experiences.

*Kelli Jacobsen—Assistant Principal*

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photos will be held for all students on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April. Order forms have been distributed to all students, with information on the packages offered and how to order online or via the order form.

If photos are ordered online, pay for first two children then other children's packages are complimentary.

Family photo order forms are available from the school office.

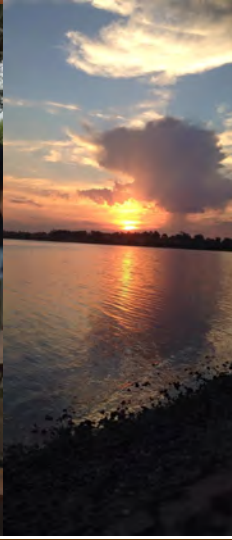
If you have any queries about the school photos, please direct them to Arthur Reed Photos—

Phone: 03 52498600, or

Email: [enquiries@arphotos.com.au](mailto:enquiries@arphotos.com.au).



# Year 7 Camp Coolamatong





## YEAR 7 CAMP REFLECTIONS

- ◆ Our first activity was raft building. We learnt how to tie knots. When we went in the water, the girls' raft broke, but the boys' didn't, so the boys won the race. By Caleb West
- ◆ I loved everything about this camp: the lake, the beach, the food and the activities. Camp Coolamatong was a great way for all of Year 7 to get to know one another better. By Ben Hausser
- ◆ On the last day we went to Raymond Island and saw the Koalas. There were heaps! I think we found around 22. The cabins were awesome, apart from when you got sand in your bed! By Ella McCormack
- ◆ The main thing I liked doing was the boat trip and I'm quite surprised that I didn't get seasick! By Trinity Williams
- ◆ The leaders were nice. I liked the boat trip to 90 Mile Beach. Overall, Camp Coolamatong was super fun. By Amy Ditcham
- ◆ In the adventure race we had to ride bikes on the sand; that was quite hard. We also climbed a really steep hill. Another one of the activities was canoeing. By Penny Graves
- ◆ One of the best things was the food. It was delicious. We had spaghetti, rice and chicken. They even did dessert and supper. By Reuben Cocks-Wheaton
- ◆ The camp itself was great, the food was absolutely amazing, the staff were friendly and the activities were good. By Ashlee O'Neill
- ◆ My favourite activity was canoeing because Reuben and I nearly capsized a few times. The best part was the mountain climb where we had to climb a hill with a rope. By George Hamilton
- ◆ I had a load of fun at camp. I did a lot of things but one aspect stood out for me and that was the activities to do in free time, like table tennis, basketball and volleyball. By Carter Dines



## PYJAMA DAY AT SCHOOL

On Monday 21st March, the Primary SRC held a fundraiser where primary students wore either onesies or pyjamas to school. They raised \$255.00 which will go to the Wangaratta Animal Shelter.

Well done, everyone!



Monday	9am – 10am Pilates	5.30pm – 6.30pm Pilates + Stretch	6.30pm – 7.30pm Pilates + Stretch
Thursday	5.30pm – 6.30pm Pilates	6.30pm – 7.30pm Pilates	7.30pm – 8.30pm Pilates – Intermediate

[www.mountainpilates.com.au](http://www.mountainpilates.com.au)

Contact Anne on 0419 340 190



## AUSTRALIAN SCHOOL OF Shotokan KARATE



Classes at the Freeburgh Community Hall  
Adults & Kids classes

MONDAYS (Kids 5-5:45pm & Adults 5:45-6:45pm),

WEDNESDAY (Adults 7-8:30pm)

& SATURDAYS (Adults 9-10:30am)

*New students welcome, catering to all fitness levels*  
Contact Sensei Katrina Ciolli on 0417 526549 for more information. Find us on facebook at ASSKAlpine and visit: [www.shotokan.com.au](http://www.shotokan.com.au) to read more about ASSK.



## YR 8 MT BOGONG OUTDOOR CAMP—REFLECTIONS

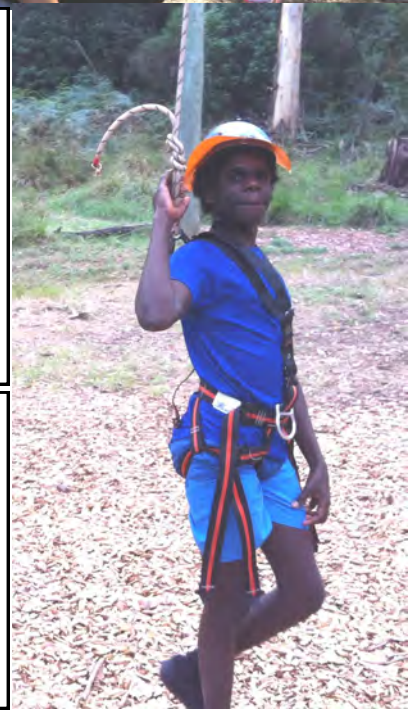
On the 15th-18th March all the Year 8s from Bright P-12 went to Camp Bogong. Camp Bogong is a camp where everyone must use teamwork. Because of all the teamwork I feel like it brought all Year 8s closer together. By Jade Spurgeon.

We built a bridge on the bank of a creek, positioned it over the creek and voila, a bridge! Until we tore it down.... By Ariel Witts



I had a good time at Bogong. I did some good things: I did rock climbing, creek walking, high ropes, orienteering, canoeing and the possum swing. By Marcus Kinthari.

My favourite thing was the creek walk. We walked to the river, the water was freezing. It was lots of fun. By Daniel Bitting



The highlights were rock-hopping along the creek and splashing our way to the gorge, and high ropes, rock climbing and abseiling, where some of us conquered our fears. The night walk around the dam was great because we were surrounded by all our peers and having a laugh. By Lara Pasquinelli.



One thing I think I really got out of Bogong Camp was that I lost my fear of heights. I went on all the high ropes to the highest level, then, when I did the leap of faith, I was one of the few people in my group who actually caught the bar. By Tex McIntosh



# FUN IN THE LIBRARY AT LUNCHTIME...

Last week primary students were busy bees either doing Easter colouring-in or playing games during lunchtime. The library is open alternate days during the second half of lunchtime for primary and secondary students. The library will definitely get more popular as the weather gets colder!!!



**FUN &**



**GAMES**





## HEALTH CORNER FOR ADOLESCENTS WITH NURSE ROSEMARY BUNGE

### Young bloods saving lives -

Students and staff from Bright P-12 College are leading by example, rolling up their sleeves to donate blood this term. Congratulations to students Matt Reed, Meg Hood and Teagan Brown who travelled with me to Wangaratta Blood Bank on March 9th to give their time to donate blood. As some of the students found out at times, you are not always able to give eg. due to some medical conditions. The nurses at Blood Bank were very happy to see us and were very positive about our students' efforts. This is a wonderful community action and a very positive day for us all.

Have you ever thought about donating blood? Did you know 1 in 3 people will require blood at one point in their life; however only 1 in 30 will donate? Do you want to

become a blood donor? You can do an online quiz to find out if you are eligible to give blood just visit [www.donateblood.com.au](http://www.donateblood.com.au) or call 13 14 95 for more information.

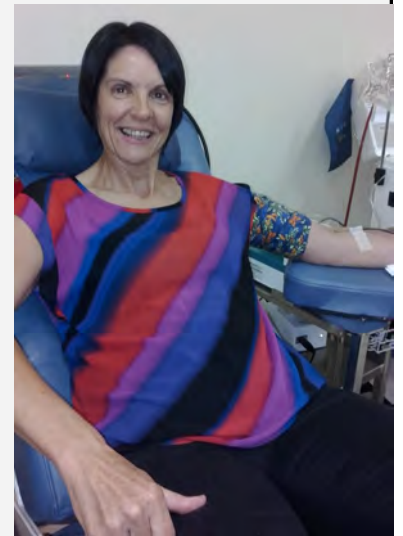
### Visits to Hawthorn Village -

Visits to Hawthorn Village continue to go well, with much fun had by everyone as the pictures show.

### Year 5/6 Health -

Year 5/6 Health has been focusing on relationships in the last few weeks. We have looked at all the different types of relationships we have in our lives and looked at the qualities we look for in these relationships to make them work.

**Quote for the week: 'People can be mean; don't take it personally, it says nothing about you, but a lot about them.'**





## MUSIC NEWS

### Market Performance 19<sup>th</sup> March

On Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup> of March students in the P-2 Choir, Senior Choir and the Concert Band performed a set at the Bright monthly market. The students performed very well and should be very proud of their efforts on the day. It was great for some of the younger students to experience performing for the first time this year. Later in the year I will organise other performances.



### P-2 CHOIR 'Commitment Form'

I would like my younger students in the P-2 Choir to develop a sense of commitment and dedication to attending regular rehearsals on Tuesday at lunchtime. I have distributed a note on Compass and in hard copy to the students in regards to this. Could you please have a talk with your child about this and return these forms ASAP. Please let me know if you have lost the form, or the email.

### New Instrumental Students Term 2

It is not too late to start a new Instrument in Term 2. I have a number of instruments still available, and for some Secondary students the cost of lessons is FREE. Please see Mr Campbell early next term if you are interested. If you are curious or have any questions, again see Mr Campbell.



### Dookie Music Camp 'Final Notice'

last chance to get your forms in for the Dookie Music Camp in Beechworth. The camp is in week one next term. Please see Mr. Campbell if you are interested in attending this camp.

### Border Music Camp

I have information about another Music Camp which will happen in the second week of the Term 2 holidays, called 'The Border Music Camp'. This camp is run at the Scots School in Albury. Please see Mr Campbell if you are interested.





# Parents & Friends Group

## AUTUMN FESTIVAL PARADE

The trees are beginning to change colour and we are looking for someone to 'Dress our Float'. We need a Creative Mastermind (or just someone who loves to decorate floats) to coordinate the school float for the Autumn Festival Parade on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April. Whoever you are, you will have the support of the Woodwork Department and the Art Department. Both teachers are happy to get the students to make things in class to help the float look amazing. In the past it has only taken one person to come up with the concept and then friends, teachers and students have banded together and helped. So please, if you think you can come up with a great idea for the theme 'ALPINE LIFE' and show off the talent at our great school, go ahead and put your hands up.

Contact : Fi Forbes at  
[parentsandfriends@brightp12.vic.edu.au](mailto:parentsandfriends@brightp12.vic.edu.au)



## ATTENTION ALL SCHOOL GROUPS NEED- ING TO RAISE MONEY

The Parents and Friends Committee are inviting all local school groups to fundraise using the Make it Bake it Grow it BBQ. So far the Antipodeans Abroad students and German Exchange Program have booked in and there are still plenty of markets remaining in the year.

This is a wonderful opportunity to make some extra money for your school group.

Please don't hesitate to contact Fi Forbes at [parentsandfriends@brightp12.vic.edu.au](mailto:parentsandfriends@brightp12.vic.edu.au) if you have any queries.

## CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

*Sam and Nat would love your help in the Canteen for two hours on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday 9-11 am.*

*This is a fun two hours liaising with the students and staff and helping with the morning tea and lunch orders.*

*Calling all willing parents and grandparents.*

**WE NEED YOU!**

*Please contact Fi Forbes at [parentsandfriends@brightp12.vic.edu.au](mailto:parentsandfriends@brightp12.vic.edu.au)*

## CANTEEN NEWS

We would like to thank all our helpers who have assisted us in the Canteen during this term.

Also, a big thank you to parents and friends who helped rejuvenate the college's vegetable patch this week by clearing spent plants, adding more soil and plants, mulching and erecting and filling two large corrugated iron garden beds. We are now ready to start planting for winter!

Happy Easter, everyone!

The Canteen Girls



*Autumn display outside the Canteen*





**Bright P-12 College Parents & Friends Group**  
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 community©



Calendar of Events 2016

	<b>Event/Activity</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Co-ordinator/s</b>
March	Make it, Bake it, Grow it BBQ	March 19th	Kellie Gray
	Brighter Days Festival BBQ	March 12th	Kellie Gray & Roshelle Harrison
	End of Term lunch	March 24th	Rae Hewitt & Leah Alexander
	Wish List applications close	March 25th	
April	Make it, Bake it, Grow it BBQ	April 16th	Katrina Ciolli
	Fun Run	April 24th	Tracy Carey
	Fun Run BBQ	April 24th	Katrina Ciolli
	Wish List funding allocation meeting	April 26th	P&F committee
May	Gala Day Parade Float	April 30th	Co-ordinator Required
	Year 7 Information Evening	May 17th	TBA
	Make it, Bake it, Grow it BBQ	May 21st	TBA
June	Make it, Bake it, Grow it BBQ	June 20th	TBA
	End of Term 2 lunch	June 24th	Rae Hewitt & Leah Alexander
July	Make it, Bake it, Grow it BBQ	July 18th	TBA
August	Make it, Bake it, Grow it BBQ	August 15th	TBA
September	Make it, Bake it, Grow it BBQ	Sept 17th	TBA
	Primary Concert, raffle	Sept 8th	Anne Heuperman Rae Hewitt and Leah Alexander
	End of Term 3 Lunch	Sept 16th	
	Prep information evening	TBA	TBA
October	Make it, Bake it, Grow it BBQ	Oct 15th	TBA
	Bright P12 Country Fair	Oct 30th	Hayley Batters & Simon Head
November	Art exhibition, raffle	TBA	Fiona Forbes
	Make it, Bake it, Grow it BBQ	Nov 19th	TBA
December	Make it, Bake it, Grow it BBQ	Dec 17th	TBA



## SUNRISE VISITS BRIGHT

A few Bright P-12 College students got up early on Tuesday 15th March to meet the weather man and crew from the Channel 7 morning program, Sunrise, before coming to school.

**Q. What do you call a rabbit with fleas?**

A. Bugs Bunny!

**Q. Why shouldn't you tell an Easter egg a joke?**

A. It might crack up!

**Q. What did the rabbit say to the carrot?**

A. It's been nice gnawing you!



## STUDENTS COOKED UP A STORM.....

It was a perfect opportunity for Max, Zoe, Callum and Matt and Matt's mother, Kathryn, to raise funds towards their Antipodean Trip to India in December by setting up the College BBQ and selling food at the Brighter Days Festival Market. A big thank you to all Antipodeans who helped out on the day.



## Positive Parenting Telephone Service



**This Program is offered to parents, grandparents & carers of children aged 2 – 10 years**

Our ten week program aims to assist you to:

- \*Develop a stronger and more positive relationship with your child/children
- \*Manage everyday behaviour problems
- \*Set rules & limits
- \*Teach new skills
- \*Developing behaviour strategies

Through our service you will receive a workbook and weekly phone calls with a parent educator. All of this can be done from the comfort of your own home at a time that suits you.

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# EVERY DAY COUNTS

## Primary School Attendance

**Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education.**

**Students learn new things at school every day – missing school puts them behind.**

### Why it's important

We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day.

If students miss school regularly, they miss out on learning the fundamental skills that will set them up for success in the later years of school.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes.

Each missed day is associated with progressively lower achievement in numeracy, writing and reading.

### Getting in early

Attendance patterns are established early – a child regularly missing days in kindergarten or in the early years of school will often continue to miss classes in the later years, and receive lower test scores than their classmates. It's vital that students go to school every day – even in the early years of primary school.

### What we can do

The main reasons for absence are:

**Sickness** – There are always times when students need to miss school, such as when they're ill. It's vital that they're only away on the days they are genuinely sick, and setting good sleep patterns, eating well and exercising regularly can make a big difference.

It's vital that holidays are planned during school holidays where possible, and not during the term if it can be avoided.

**Day off** – Think twice before letting your child have a "day off" as they could fall behind their classmates – every day counts. "

**Truancy** – This is when students choose not to go to school without their parent's permission. There can be many reasons for truancy. The best way to address this is for schools and parents to work together.

If for any reason your child must miss school, there are things you can do with your school to ensure they don't fall behind:

Speak with your classroom teacher and find out what work your child needs to do to keep up.

Develop an absence learning plan with your teacher and ensure your child completes the plan.

Remember, every day counts. If your child must miss school, speak with your classroom teacher as early as possible.

Openly communicating with your child's school about all absences is a good way to prevent attendance issues being escalated to a School Attendance Officer. A School Attendance Officer is a Department of Education and Early Childhood Development Regional Director who has authority to follow up attendance issues. Attendance issues that are escalated can lead to an Infringement Notice. If you're having attendance issues with your child, please let your classroom teacher know so we can work together to get your child to school every day.

### Further information

For more information and resources to help address attendance issues, visit:

[www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/behaviour/Pages/studentattendance.aspx](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/behaviour/Pages/studentattendance.aspx)





# EVERY DAY COUNTS

## Secondary School Attendance

**Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education. Students learn new things at school every day – missing school puts them behind.**

### Why it's important

We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day.

Students develop good habits by going to school every day – habits that are necessary to succeed after school, whether in the workplace or in further study.

Missing school can have a big impact on students academically and socially. It can affect their test results, including VCE, and, just as importantly, it can affect their relationships with other students, and lead to social isolation.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes.

Each missed day is associated with falling behind in subject topics and assessment tasks, and lead to fewer subject choices and may impact on achievement in years 11 and 12.

### Getting in early

It's never too late to improve attendance – going to school more often can lead to better outcomes. Even at Year 9, when attendance rates for all students are lowest, going to school more often can make a big difference. Every day counts.

Schools are there to help – if you're having attendance issues with your child, speak to your school about ways to address those issues.

### What we can do

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**"Day off"** – Think twice before letting your child have a "day off" as they could fall behind their classmates – every day

counts.

**Tuancy** – This is when students choose not to go to school without their parent's permission. There can be many reasons for truancy; the best way to address this is for schools and parents to work together.

While all absences are bad for academic performance, unexcused absences are a much stronger indicator of lower reading and maths achievement.

If for any reason your child must miss school, there are things you can do with your school to ensure they don't fall behind:

Speak with your home room teacher or year level coordinator and find out what work your child needs to do to keep up.

Develop an absence learning plan with your teacher and ensure your child completes the plan.

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If you're having attendance issues with your child, please let your year level coordinator, principal or other relevant staff member know so you can work together to get your child to school every day.

### Further information

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**For example – if a child is absent 20 days of the school year that equates to 6,000 minutes of class time lost a year or 4 weeks of school and this is without adding extra-curricular activities.**



## Year 8 Girls' Volleyball Team

The Year 8 Girls Volleyball team played 5 matches and won 4. They played off against the


leader in the other pool and won comprehensively. They are now Ovens and Mitta champions. They will now move to the Hume Regional Championship in Term 4. Congratulations girls!




# Prevention

## Thought

## Challenge





Interested in the wellbeing and healthy development of children and young people?

Are you concerned about antisocial behaviour, alcohol and drug use or school dropout?

Stakeholder and Community forums

When: **Thursday 14th April, 2016**  
 Where: **Alpine Health, ALG room**  
**Myrtleford Hospital, 30 O'Donnell St**  
 Time: **Afternoon 2:00pm—4:00pm, or**  
**Evening 7:00pm—9:00pm**  
 Guest speaker: **Prof. John Toumbourou PhD**

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 \*Light refreshments provided\*

Video link-up available for Evening session at Bright & Mount Beauty hospitals, please advise when booking.

## NATIONAL MOUNTAIN BIKE CHAMPIONSHIPS

On the weekend of 17-20th March the National Mountain Bike Championships were held in Bright for the third and final year. Four students from Bright P-12 rode in the Championships.

On Friday Teagan Atherstone and Amy Ditcham braved the slippery and wet conditions to race in the Under 17 and Under 15 Womens XCO. Teagan battled a painful back injury to finish in third place and Amy, in her first Nationals race, rode exceptionally well until she experienced a mechanical problem on her last lap and had to walk her bike across the finish.

Next up in the very competitive Under 17 Mens XCO, Callum Grant rode strongly to finish 10th in a field of 46.

Lachlan Russell came 1st in the Under 7 Fun Race on Saturday afternoon with a huge contingent of students from Bright P-12 wearing the club colours!

Finally, in beautiful conditions on Sunday, Finn Rosser finished 6th in the Under 15 Mens Downhill, coming back from injury earlier in the season.

We were really excited to have some Bright P-12 parents race over the weekend: Bec Feltrin and Simon Ferrito in Masters XCO and Geoff Vietz in Elite XCO.

Congratulations to all the riders who took the opportunity to race National Championships on their home trails.



**Bright P-12 College Council**

The College Council operates under a legislative framework within the Victorian government school system. School councils are also regulated by the Education and Training Reform Regulations 2007 and school councillors are subject to the Director's Code of Conduct made under the Public Administration Act 2004.

The Act lists school council's objectives as being to: assist in the efficient governance of the school, ensure that its decisions affecting students of the school are made having regard, as a primary consideration, to the best interests of the students, enhance the educational opportunities of the students of the school, ensure the school and the council comply with any requirements of the Act, the regulations, a Ministerial Order or a direction, guideline or policy issued under the Act.

**Bright P-12 College Council Sub Committees**

College Council Sub Committees assist council in the work that needs to be done. They report regularly at school council meetings, provide advice and make recommendations to school council which has the final responsibility for decisions. Sub-committees cannot make decisions for school council, rather they make recommendations to College Council.

<p><b>Finance</b></p> <p><b>Responsible for:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensuring the finance sub-committee is involved in the development of the school's annual budget.</li> <li>Reporting on the financial position of the school council, recommending fund-raising activities,</li> <li>Deciding how much money to keep in reserve,</li> <li>And what to do as a follow-up to reports from the school auditor.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Environment</b></p> <p><b>Responsible for:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Planning, and developing, the College's facilities such as its buildings and grounds;</li> <li>Organising working bees and other actions to maintain or improve the appearance of the school;</li> <li>Provide advice to school council on external groups who may be using the school's facilities (for example the Stadium</li> </ul>	<p><b>Education and Policy</b></p> <p><b>Responsible for:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Developing the educational policy for school council including:</li> <li>student wellbeing, student leadership and professional development.</li> <li>It may also involve developing school wide policies such as: uniform, anti-discrimination and integration policies;</li> <li>Possibly monitoring the implementation of the strategic plan;</li> <li>Reviewing school data such as NAPLAN assessment, school level data</li> </ul>	<p><b>OSHC (Alpine Kids Club)</b></p> <p><b>Responsible for:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensuring it is running effectively and meets standards and regulations</li> </ul>	<p><b>P &amp; F</b></p> <p><b>Responsible for:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Developing ways for the school to work more actively with its community,</li> <li>Including parents and carers and the wider community;</li> <li>Developing fund raising activities for the school, including sponsorship for school events</li> <li>And developing school functions to build the school community.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Camps and Excursions</b></p> <p><b>Responsible for:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approving Camps and Excursions</li> <li>Developing Camps and Excursion policy</li> </ul>
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**Working Parties**

College Council Working Parties in effect a working party is a "task and finish" group. This has several advantages and disadvantages. Initially and most importantly, the group is freed from the round of Council meetings to pursue a single idea and make recommendations either to the full Council or to a sub-committee for further discussion. It is important for the Council to provide strong terms of reference for a working party and strict timeline for action.

**Ideas for Working parties**

- Primary Playground – report to Environment -
- Indigenous Education Programs – report to Education and Policy
- Uniform Policy – report to Education and Policy
- Canteen – report to College Council
- BCST – report to College Council
- Dinner Plain – report to College Council
- Marketing – report to College Council



## 2016 Bright P-12 College Council Meeting Schedule

Week	Meeting	Day	Start time	Location
2 and 6	<b>Camps &amp; Excursions</b>	Monday	1 pm	Conference
	<b>Finance</b>	Monday	5.30 pm	Conference
	<b>OSHC</b>	Tuesday	1 pm	Conference
	<b>P &amp; F</b>	Tuesday	7pm	Library
	<b>Education &amp; Policy</b>	Wednesday	7 pm	Conference
	<b>Environment</b>	Thursday	5.30pm	Conference
4 and 8	<b>College Council meeting</b>	Wednesday	7.00pm	Library
<b>Sub-Committee College Council members and elected Office Bearers</b>				<b>Convenor</b>
<b>Finance</b>	Yvette Van Urk, Gerard Gray, Paul Hargreaves, Justin Power, Jean Olley, Fiona Hurst			Ty Caling
<b>Education &amp; Policy</b>	Kristen Tufts, Ty Caling, Gil Paulsen, Paul Hargreaves, Jean Olley			Gerard Gray
<b>Environment</b>	Kate Brady, Fiona Hurst, Jean Olley			Fiona Forbes
<b>P &amp; F</b>	Fiona Forbes (Secretary), Gil Paulsen, Jean Olley, Hayley Batters (Treasurer), Vanessa Burgess (Vice President)			Simon Head (President)
<b>OHSC</b>	Leanne Gilham, Kristen Tufts, Jean Olley			Sarah Ganeo
<b>Camps &amp; Excursions</b>	Teagan Nugent, Gerard Gray, Leanne Gilham, Fiona Hurst, Kelli Jacobson			Fiona Hurst

*The Working parties currently in place are:* Marketing, BCST and Dinner Plain. *A new working party,* Uniform Policy will be put together next term, and after the terms of reference have been agreed on at College Council, parents, staff and students will be asked to join.

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