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Bright P-12 College Newsletter

LUNCHTIME FITNESS

We have launched a new lunchtime club for students to be active with their friends at school and promote healthy habits. Sessions have been planned and tailored to prepare for our annual House Cross Country event on Friday 5th May, but are also suitable for students who would like to expend some energy with their mates or learn a thing or two about health and fitness. Bright P-12 College Wellbeing Counsellor Jen Hore, who has experience in the fitness industry, will be running these fun fitness sessions. All students from Prep to Year 12 are encouraged to attend. Sessions are set to music and held every Wednesday on the school oval from 1:00pm - 1:30pm. There is no need to register or commit to all sessions - students can attend one, a few or even more. Fresh fruit is provided at the end of each session, which is kindly donated by Snowy Creek Produce - thank you!

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EVERY WEDNESDAY - OVAL
1:00PM - 1:30PM
STARTS 15TH MARCH - 6 WEEKS
ALL STUDENTS - PREP TO YEAR 12

FRUIT! TUNES!



Talk to Jen or Mr Saville
for more information!



SECONDARY OPEN DAY

You are invited to our Secondary Open Day.

When: Friday 31 March, 9:15-11am

Who: Students currently in Years 4, 5 & 6 with their families.

You will have an opportunity to meet teachers, hear about programs and tour the secondary school. We are very proud of our school and we're excited to show you what we achieve in Years 7-12.

If you'd like to attend, please call the office on 5755 1166. If this date does not suit you, contact us to arrange another tour.



BRIGHT P-12 COLLEGE
SECONDARY OPEN DAY

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Principal's Message

Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

Recently, Bright P-12 College hosted a VASSP (Victorian Association of State Secondary Principals) meeting attended by our Regional Director Karen Money and other principals from the North East Region. Bright P-12 College students Alison C, Alex F and Fox W with Kohei Sakashita (Japanese Assistant) started the meeting with the acknowledgement of country. Then our secondary student leaders Fox W, Alex F, Zoe D and Harry L and primary student leaders Stella T and Charlie S discussed with the principals and Regional Director their thoughts on our College and answered some challenging questions from the group. They did an amazing job, they were thoughtful, eloquent and honest and we can be very proud that our teaching and learning programs have developed such well rounded young leaders. A huge thank you to Phil, Mat and Sally who helped with organising the event. I believe our Regional Director, Karen Money was very impressed with our work here at Bright P-12 College.

I would like to invite you to our Secondary College Open Day, which is being held between 9:15am and 11am on Friday 31st March. Students currently in Years 4, 5 and 6 with their families are invited to attend and see what Bright P-12 College has to offer.

You will have an opportunity to meet teachers, hear about our varied programs, and tour the secondary school. We are very proud of our school and can't wait to show you what we achieve in Years 7-12.

Call the office on 5755 1166 to register. If this date does not suit you, another tour date can be arranged.

As you can see from the College Calendar, even though we are in the last few weeks of term before school holidays, we still have a large number of excursions, camps and other activities planned. We are excited to offer such a variety of experiences to our students, as we know they bring opportunities for growth.

Parents and carers, I strongly encourage you attend the upcoming Parent Teacher conferences with your child in order to support their learning and development. More information is on Page 4 of this newsletter.

Jean Olley - Principal

NOTE: ALL CALENDAR EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CHECK COMPASS FOR MOST UP-TO-DATE ADVICE

COLLEGE CALENDAR

MARCH

22 MAR	Yr 7 vaccinations
24 MAR	Yr 10 vaccinations
24 MAR	National Ride to School Day
27-31 MAR	Yr 10 Work Experience
29 MAR	Prep/Yr 1 Teddy Bear picnic at Mt Buffalo
29-30 MAR	Parent / Teacher conferences
30 MAR	Yr 9, 11 & 12 O&M Sport
30 MAR	Yr 3 Mr Stink performance in Wangaratta
31 MAR	Secondary Open Day

APRIL

3-6 APR	Yr 7 Camp - Coolamatong
3-6 APR	Yr 8 Camp - Rubicon
4-5 APR	Yr 6 Bike Hike & Camp Harrierville
5 APR	Yr 11 & 12 Creative Arts excursion, Melbourne

6 APR **Last Day of Term 1**
School finishes at 2:30pm

NOTE: School photos are booked for Thursday 4th May

PUPIL-FREE DAYS

Please note, our pupil-free days for 2023 are:

- 9th June
- 18th Aug
- 6th Nov

NEW STAFF



Hello Bright P-12 College students, friends and family.

My name is Dr Andrew Manning and I will be working with Year 7 and 8 teaching Humanities, English and Economics. Throughout my career I have been fortunate to work in a range of different roles and places – from cultural development, community services, social and health planning, regional development and more recently, in environmental sustainability teaching and research at Charles Sturt University in Albury.

Outside of work, my partner and I have a grown-up family who all went to Bright P-12 College. We enjoy our time together doing many things such as boating, skiing, racing and generally having fun as a family. I am excited to be working with students at Bright P-12 College as I have a passion for learning as the key ingredient for success in life.

CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY PATHWAYS

On Monday 22nd March, 12 students from Years 9-11 participated in a CI (Construction Induction) White Card course at the Bright Community Centre that was organised by the Alpine Shire. The aim of the course is to prepare students to work safely in the Construction Industry and it is endorsed by and meets the requirements of WorkSafe Victoria for induction training in the building and construction industry. As part of the course, students gained an overview of basic Occupational Health and Safety principles and legislation, and an understanding of hazards, risks, and control measures. On successful completion of the course, each student will receive a card issued by WorkSafe Victoria.



Once completed, students can participate in work experience and / or employment on a building site in the future.

Thanks to the Alpine Shire for assisting with the funding of this course, it was greatly appreciated.

2022 YEARBOOK



Our 2022 Yearbook has been printed.

If you have pre-ordered a copy, it is ready for collection from the front office. If you would like your child / children to bring your copy home, please ask them to collect it.



PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Progress Reports for students in Years 5-12 have been published on Compass under the Reports Tab.

Prep - Year 12 teachers will be holding Parent Teacher Conferences on Wednesday 29th March and Thursday 30th March between 3:40pm and 5:40pm. The purpose of these 10-minute sessions is for parents and students to discuss the learning progress of their student with the teacher.

These sessions are open to all parents and students are highly encouraged to attend.

Parents/carers are encouraged to attend even if you are familiar with your child's teacher.

Bookings for the Parent Teacher Conference sessions can be made online via Compass (under the Community icon) and bookings are open from Tuesday 21st March until 3.20pm on Tuesday 28th March.

Sessions are strictly limited to 10 minutes for each teacher.

Yr 5 ART

Year 5 students have been working on an animation unit based on Bright P-12 College school values.

Filming of their fantastic Claymation Stop Motion videos will begin shortly, and we can't wait to see the results.



EMBRACE BODY POSITIVE COLLECTIVE



On Friday 10th of March, three of our Year 12 students Zoe D, Alex F and Fox W attended the Embrace Body Positive Collective Conference in Melbourne, hosted by 2023 Australian of the Year Taryn Brumfit.

It was the first body image leadership event for young people. The day included guest speakers, several workshops, a dance session and a screening of the new Embrace Kids Documentary.

Our students returned empowered with the ability to utilise what they learned on this day to create meaningful change in their school community. Watch this space!

RIDE TO SCHOOL DAY

National Ride to School Day is Friday 24th March

Whole School Dress Up Day- Super Hero Theme: Students are encouraged to dress up themselves and their bike/scooter/skateboard.

Primary School Parade at 9:05 am.

Secondary Track Stand Competition: Lunchtime on the basketball courts (Sign up in homegroups).

Gold Coin Donation, raising money for The Amy Gillett Foundation. The Foundation was established in 2005 following the death of Amy Gillett, who was killed by a driver on 18 July 2005 while she was cycling in Germany with the Australian women's cycling team.

Amy's husband, Simon Gillett, together with Amy's parents Mary and Denis and friends, concerned at the state of safety on Australian roads, started the foundation in January 2006.

The Amy Gillett Foundation has evolved to become the leading cycling safety organisation in Australia, driven by a core mission to reduce deaths and injuries amongst cyclists.



ALLAN J FINDLAY MEMORIAL BURSARY



Last reminder: Applications for 2023 close 24/3/2023. This bursary has been established by the Lions Club of Bright and the Rotary Club of Bright to assist young people in continuing Allan's philosophy of selfless community contribution, and to assist them to fulfill their aspirations of giving back to their community.

A total bursary of \$1,000 is made annually to support young people with financial assistance to reach their goals and/or further their studies, expand their networks to reach out and connect with others in their area of commitment and/or concern. It is open to students in Years 9 to 12 levels, residing in the Alpine Shire – this includes young people who school out of the area, are home-schooled, or are no longer school-based. For further information, please contact Jenni Sgambelloni jennifer.sgambelloni@education.vic.gov.au

GERMAN SHORT-TERM PROGRAM

On Sunday 5 March we farewelled the students and staff from our German sister school who had been visiting our College as part of the Short Term program. They caught the train from Albury on Sunday to spend a final few days in Sydney before flying home. It was a busy 3 weeks for the students, their Australian host partners and families, the College community and many local businesses and groups. Students spent time visiting different classes across the College; giving informative presentations about their local area, Bad Aibling in Bavaria; they participated in PE classes, learning the unfamiliar game of netball; undertook some cross-cultural sharing and research with class 6A; touched a snake! (during the Reptile Incursion) and cooked sausage rolls and ANZAC biscuits with Ms Mapley (just to mention a few activities).

Some of the interesting excursions that the students were able to attend included visiting Dumu café to learn about this local social enterprise and indigenous training café that also included making damper; Bright museum to see some of our local historical artefacts; an informative presentation at the Alpine Shire Offices; enjoying a come-and-try with the Bright Croquet club and a visit to the Bright CFA fire station. Thank you to all who were involved with this program – it certainly is a program that involves the wider Bright Community and provides so many learning opportunities to all of our Bright P-12 College students as well as our visiting guests. We are very grateful for the strong community support this program receives.

Now the group of 9 Bright P-12 College students and 3 staff travelling to Germany in September will start to prepare for their leg of the student exchange and sister school visit.... something that is very exciting indeed!



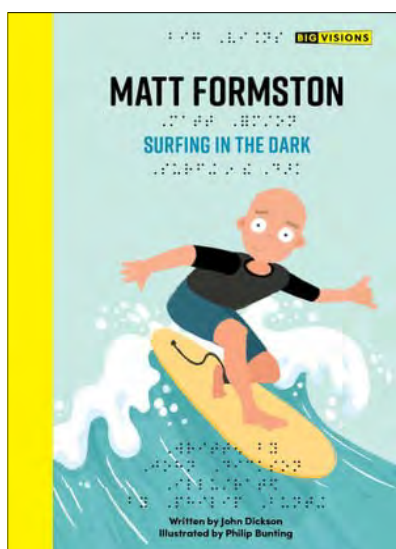
Yr 5/6 APEX HIKE

The Year 5/6 classes hiked from school up to Apex earlier this month. It was a hot challenging day but everyone made it happily to the top, where we were greeted with wonderful views of the valley.

Thanks to our parent helpers and teachers who came along.



STORIES FROM OUR LIBRARY



One of our new books in the Library “Surfing in the Dark”, tells the story of Matt Formston - a world champion surfer who is blind.

We meet Matt and hear his amazing story of resilience as he follows his dreams no matter the obstacles. Matt always dreamed of becoming a professional surfer, but by the time he was five years old he was almost completely blind. He never let that stop him and now he is a record-holding cycling Paralympian and a world champion surfer.

This book, written by John Dickson and illustrated by Philip Bunting, was published in partnership with Vision Australia. It features braille alongside the conventional text and is designed to inspire conversations about inclusivity, representation and resilience.

Yr 8 ECONOMICS

On Friday the 3rd of March our Year 8 Economics class met Heath at the Bright Ice creamery. Heath helped us study entrepreneurship and social enterprises. Also, he explained how they use local ingredients and produce e.g. local apples. By Harry D



NAPLAN

Over the past few days, all students in Years 3, 5, 7 & 9 nationwide have been undertaking the NAPLAN assessment. NAPLAN is a national literacy and numeracy assessment. It is the only national assessment all Australian students have the opportunity to undertake. As students progress through their school years, it's important to check how well they are learning the essential skills of reading, writing and numeracy. The NAPLAN testing period will run from the 15th to the 27th of March.

Please contact either your classroom teacher or year-level coordinator if you have any questions.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT - CYCLING



Year 10 student Zac Bradley competed at the Mount Beauty Enduro earlier this month and was happy with a second place podium spot.

And Zac also raced in the U17 'Eagle on the Hill' South Australia combined National round and came first.

Well done to all riders at both events!

Yr 12 RETREAT

On February 27 & 28, our Year 12 students attended a retreat at The Pavilion at Pioneer Park. Sessions included health and wellbeing, safe and responsible vehicle use, and preparing for tertiary study. A favourite session of several students was the artistic vision boards run by Janmaree Duguid.

Thank you to our presenters, including the two guest speakers, for running terrific sessions.



FUNDRAISING

Thank you to everyone involved with the bake sale at the Alpine Colour Fun Run in Porepunkah on Saturday.

We raised \$382 on the day, which will go towards our German exchange trip later this year. Special thanks to Woolworths for donating the Zooper Doopers and also to Bendigo Bank for lending us an Eftpos machine.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

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It's our 40th music camp and we're celebrating. Come join us for three days of intensive music playing & performance in the picturesque town of Beechworth. We offer junior and senior concert band, string, jazz or contemporary band. There's also an opportunity to try out another instrument - maybe play marimba, ukulele or percussion and sing in our fabulous concert finale. You can even show off any special talents (the usual or the very unusual) in our extremely popular talent night show - Dookie's Got Talent. Places are limited so don't miss out!

REGISTRATION

All registrations are online. Go to www.trybooking.com and search NEVR Beechworth Music Camp or use the QR code.

For all enquires contact Tricia on 0409855434 or Julie on 0413456623.

Celebration

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ALPINE SHIRE COUNCIL **TAC L2P PROGRAM**

Alpine L2P is looking for learners in Bright

Did you know, the Alpine L2P Program just celebrated more than 10 years of delivery and we are proud of the fact that we have supported over 130 learners to get their P plates.

Recently, Alpine L2P have focused on increasing our mentor numbers across the Shire, so we can support more youth to get their P plates. That focus has paid off and we now have mentors in Bright who are in need of learners.

So, if you are having trouble getting your 120 hours and need some assistance, this is the program for you. There are eligibility requirements but we look at each learner on an individual basis, so ask us first.

Contact the L2P Coordinator at 03 5755 0555, L2P@alpineshire.vic.gov.au or complete the online application form at <https://www.alpineshire.vic.gov.au/residents/children-and-youth/youth> and we will be in touch.

School preparedness and pre-emptive actions for the bushfire season

Schools and early childhood services undertake a range of activities each year to prepare for bushfires and grassfires. The Department of Education conducts an annual fire risk assessment of schools and early childhood services. Those at the greatest levels of risk are published on the Bushfire At-Risk Register (BARR). As part of preparing our school for the fire season, we have updated and completed our Emergency Management Plan.



What does this mean for our school?

Our school has been identified as being at risk of bushfire or grassfire and is a Category 3 school. Our school will close on a day forecasted as Catastrophic fire danger rating in North East fire district.

What is the department's policy?

The department's Bushfire and Grassfire Preparedness Policy requires all schools and early childhood services on the BARR to close when a Catastrophic fire danger rating day is forecast in their fire weather district. All school bus routes which travel in or through a district with Catastrophic fire danger must also be cancelled.

When will our school be closed due to Catastrophic fire danger?

Closure of the school due to a forecast Catastrophic day will be confirmed on the day prior and we will provide you with advice before the end of the school day. Any information regarding potential or confirmed Catastrophic fire danger days will be communicated to you by Compass.

Once confirmed, the decision to close will not change, regardless of improvements in the weather forecast. This is to avoid confusion and help your family plan alternative care arrangements for your child. Please be aware that:

- No one will be on site on days where the school is closed due to a forecast Catastrophic day.
- Out-of-school-hours care will also be cancelled on these days.
- All bus routes that travel through the Catastrophic area will be cancelled.
- School camps will be cancelled if a Catastrophic fire danger rating day is forecast for fire weather district in which the camp is located, or if the travel involves passing through areas that have Catastrophic fire danger.

Families are encouraged to enact their Bushfire Survival Plan on Catastrophic fire danger rating days. **On such days, children should never be left at home alone or in the care of older children.**

For those of us living in a bushfire prone area, the Country Fire Authority (CFA) advises that when Catastrophic days are forecast, the safest option is to leave the night before or early on the morning of the Catastrophic day.

What can families and the school community do to help us prepare?

- Ensure we have your current details, including your mobile phone numbers.
- Make sure your family's bushfire survival plan is up-to-date and includes alternative care arrangements in the event that our school is closed due to elevated fire danger or closed due to a Catastrophic fire danger. Further information can be found on the [CFA's website](#).
- Enact your family's bushfire survival plan if your own triggers are met. Our school community may be spread out across many areas and some families may be at higher risk than others. Your family's safety is critical, so please let us know if you are enacting your bushfire survival plan and if your children will be absent on these days.
- If your child is old enough, talk to them about bushfires and your family's bushfire survival plan.

You can find more information on emergencies, warnings and preparedness actions here:

- VicEmergency app – that can be downloaded on your android and iOS mobile devices
- VicEmergency Hotline (1800 226 226)
- Website <https://emergency.vic.gov.au>
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