

Principal's Report from Mr. Coffey

Friday and Monday Still Pupil Free Days

The first of our upcoming student free days is Friday the 15th of November and the day will be used for staff to complete or update their First Aid and CPR qualifications and for curriculum planning for 2020.

Monday the 18th of November will still be a designated Pupil Free Day, although the planned Writers' Workshop professional learning session has been cancelled. We are still finalising the program for staff for the day but it will involve reviewing our curriculum documentation.

Howzat!

On Monday the 11th I was fortunate enough to have a day out of the office to drive the school bus with 12 keen cricketers and Miss Schumann to Horsham for the Woolworths Blast Cricket Competition. Miss Schumann umpired and coached the girls' team for the day while I worked with our enthusiastic boys' team. There were some heroic displays throughout the day with all of the boys demonstrating the character strengths of Grit and Zest. The lads were determined to do their individual best against some serious high speed bowlers and represented the school well throughout the day. The students seemed to enjoy the day as much as I did and cricket was the winner on the day.

Mobile Phone Policy

In accordance with the Department's Mobile Phone Policy issued by the Minister for Education, personal mobile phones must not be used at school during school hours, including lunchtime and recess, from the start of term 1 2020.

Our school is currently developing our Mobile Phone – Student Use Policy in order that we comply with the new directive and minimise the disruption to teaching and learning in enforcing the new policy. Once the new policy is finalised and ratified by School Council it will be distributed in the newsletter, on the website and school's Facebook page.

Change to Upcoming Meetings...

The next School Council meeting will be held on Monday the 9th of December at 7:30pm.

Due to the additional pupil free day the Parents & Friends Meeting will now be held on Tuesday the 19th of November at 10:00 a.m. in the multi-purpose building.

Calendar 2019 – Term 4

NOVEMBER

Tues 19 th	Parents & Friends meeting
Fri 22 nd	Casual day for Koalas
Fri 29 th	Last day Yr 11s

DECEMBER

Mon 2 nd - Wed 4 th	Yr 7/8 Surf camp
Fri 6 th	Last day Yr 10s
Mon 9 th	School Council
Tue 10 th	Transition day (Statewide)
Wed 11 th	Music concert
Mon 16 th	Yr 12 Graduation dinner
Tue 17 th	Presentation night

VCE Units 3/4 Exam Timetable

November

Mon 18 th	Global Politics 11.45am-2.00pm
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Student supervision

Just a friendly reminder that the supervision of students at the College starts at 8.30am each school day.

Prior to this there are no staff on duty so please make sure that your child/children arrive at school after 8.30am

Students of the week



Students of the week junior school - Sharnie & Holly

Reasons for this week's awards

Holly for always being organised to start activities

Sharni for using initiative and thoughtfulness to demonstrate all of the character strengths.

There are no senior school awards this week

Congratulations!

Climbing Wall in action

Junior School Council would like to thank the parents & friends association for the money contributed towards the wall. We would also to thank AJ Heinrich and Denis Huff for giving up their time to put the wall up. We really appreciated everyone's help. Everyone has really enjoyed playing on it.



Nekeisha and Ryder on the wall.

School Hats

Don't forget to bring your hats to wear this term.

This is a requirement of our Sun Smart Policy

If you require a hat they are available to purchase at the office for \$7 each

Sound Scouts Hearing Test

Thank you to everyone who has returned their forms for the tests.

The tests will be conducted next week



Free hearing test for schoolchildren.



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Potential consequences of undetected hearing loss:

- Speech & language issues
- Difficulty reading
- Trouble in social situations
- Increased risk of academic failure
- Disruptive behaviour
- Depression

Signs of hearing loss in a child:

- Speaks louder than others
- Turns the TV up too loud
- Frequently say 'what' or 'huh'
- Has trouble pronouncing words
- Struggles at school
- Has trouble hearing in noisy places
- Loses focus in noisy places



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A week in the life of Rainbow P-12 College

A visual summary of the week in action!



Our 2019 school captains Angel, Lilly, Mikayla & Cooper laid the wreath at the community ceremony (Liam was absent because he had just finished an exam!)



Four of our five 2020 senior school captain applicants read out the poem In Flanders Fields
Jordy, Macy, Alannah & Kirsten
(Max was absent because he has finished school for the year)



Phoenix Oakley in his Army Cadet uniform.



There has been some creative work in the sandpit with this big snake!



Unsure if this is Erin showing her excitement at Aiden's efforts or a very poor effort of hiding!



Aiden Preston competed in the next stage of the Golf Tournament at Horsham. He scored 52 for 9 holes and came 5th...just missing the cut to go to Melbourne

The Bushfires in NSW/QLD (from Mrs Petschel)

The devastation of the bushfires in NSW & Queensland has been huge.

In the small town of Bobin on the mid-north coast of NSW they lost their primary school.

Our kids automatically wanted to do something to help out....so I wrote an email asking how we could help out and sent it to the school address (not really expecting an answer because they would have plenty to think about)...but the next day I received this reply :



Bobin Public
School

Needless to say our kids are hard at work writing letters and drawing pictures to send to these kids.

Hi Colleen,

Thank you so much for reaching out. What gorgeous kids you have at your school.

Right now we are all still reeling and some, including myself, have homes standing that are threatened over the next few days. We haven't been able to come together to work out how to accept all the incredible support we have been offered.

For now, I think some drawings and letters would be beautiful, I can send them out to all the families and staff and I am sure they would be deeply appreciated.

Thanks again, I will be in touch in the coming weeks once we have been able to cry together and get to taking action.

Kind Regards,

Bernadette Evans

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGER

BOBIN PUBLIC SCHOOL

HOW MUCH CAN A KOALA "BEAR"?



Another victim of the fires are our cuddly koalas. It has been predicted that nearly 600 koalas could have lost their lives in the fires with lots more injured. There are two organisations that are very busy helping the injured koalas recover from the fires.



THEY NEED OUR HELP

We will be having a CASUAL DAY NEXT FRIDAY 22nd November with all funds raised going to these two organisations

The theme is come dressed as your favourite animal





Canteen Roster

TERM 4

November

Mon 18 No canteen pupil free
Wed 20 D. Huff
Fri 22 T. Gould/ A.J. Heinrich

Mon 25 K. McKenzie
Wed 27 A. Ey
Fri 29 N. Eckermann/ L. Heinrich

Dec

Mon 2 E. Eckermann
Wed C. Cocks
Fri 6 T. Tregenza/ S. Gelligen

Mon 9 C. Saul/ S. Coyne
Wed 11 J. Keller
Fri 13 A. Riordan

No canteen last week of school.

Canteen Emergency Workers

Lauren Heinrich (Wed & Fri only) 0459363319
Kim Kajewski 0448352251
Debbie Lowe 0488115973

Please contact the above emergency workers if you are unable to do your canteen duty or arrange a swap with another person on the roster.



Shake Rattle and READ



November 19th SRR @Playgroup
November 25th Playgroup

December 2nd SRR
December 3rd Playgroup
December 9th Playgroup
December 16th SRR

Wanted for end of year activities

Wanted cardboard rolls eg from gladwrap, paper towel etc (not toilet rolls) to be used to make decorations. If you can assist please drop them into the office.



Absences

If your child/children are going to be absent or have been absent can parents/carers **please** use the skoolbag app, send a note or phone the College office on 53951063.

Please do not contact the class teacher re absences by phone, text or class dojo

If no contact is made a phone call will be made to you if your children are absent.

Our absence co-ordinator Leonie Clarke is then able to enter the absence details.

YARRIAMBIACK HAS TALENT 2019

Entrants must be ages 8-25

Sunday December 1st, 12:30-4:00pm

At the Warracknabeal Town Hall

Theme for all categories: 'Life'

Categories:
1. Performance
2. Painting/drawing
3. Photography



1st Place in each category: \$150 Voucher
2nd Place in each category: \$100 Voucher
3rd Place in each category: \$50 Voucher

Entry forms available online at www.yarriambiack.vic.gov.au or from the Yarriambiack Shire Council Office - 34 Lyle St Warracknabeal
All entries must be received by November 28th

