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**OFFICE HOURS**

**FINANCE OFFICE:**
Monday to Friday: 8:30am—4:00pm

**ADMINISTRATION OFFICE:**
Monday to Thursday: 8:15am—4:30pm
Friday: 8:15am—4:00pm

**BERWICK COLLEGE NEWSLETTER**
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PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

“...our school community has continued to persevere and focus on achieving our goals and targets”

In Term 3, our school community has continued to persevere and focus on achieving our goals and targets that have been identified as priorities for this year. For staff this is through focus groups to review and provide recommendations on key areas in the school and the Performance and Development process. For students, this is through exam and report feedback, attendance and learning goals. This is to ensure all members of our College grow personally and academically.

Our Presentation Evening held last week was a wonderful evening, recognising a large number of students for Academic Excellence and Outstanding Application, for sporting awards in swimming and athletics and for computing skills in Semester One. I am very proud of their achievements. Our College Captains, Nathan, Mark, Grace and Liani were excellent Masters of Ceremonies and our student performances were outstanding. Thanks go to all who were involved in the evening, particularly to Ms Dee Longwill for her work in getting everything organised. Thank you to all of our staff, families and friends for coming and supporting these young people.

Our College was recognised for our commemoration of ANZAC Day by Senator The Hon. Michael Ronaldson, Minister for Veterans’ Affairs, in particular Ms Linda Bourke and Ms Anna Greenstreet were congratulated for their hard work and coordination of this event.

This term, students are constantly reaching state and national levels in their fields of interest. Fourteen VET Small Business students were awarded prizes for their ‘I Plan A Business’ projects at Victoria University this week. We had two winning groups and two finalists in the competition. The students received vouchers from $50 to $500 and were encouraged by leading economist and ABC financial adviser Mr Alan Kohler and Australian entrepreneur, Chanel Costabir to pursue their dreams. Year 12 student, Ben Walkerden won the U19s Cyclocross Australian Championships and Year 9 student Molly McMillan received an award from the Commonwealth Society of Teachers of Dancing (CSTD) for achieving the highest result in the State for her Grade 5 Jazz exam.

In the midst of these celebrations we were saddened to hear of the passing of a much loved staff member and friend of Berwick College, Julie Graeme. Julie started at Berwick College at 18 years of age and worked in both the office and teaching in the LOTE Domain for nearly 18 years. She will always be sadly missed and fondly remembered by our staff.

Our College has been highly commended to parliament on a number of occasions by Brad Battin MP and this week we were very pleased to host James Merlino MP, the Minister for Education and Judith Grayley MP, Member for Narre Warren South. We discussed a future possibility of a Berwick Community Learning and Support Centre, incorporating our Sickbay, Wellbeing and Chaplaincy Teams and external health professionals. Our College Council President Mr Roger Hall and myself provided our guests a tour of our facilities.

I am sure the last three weeks will pass very quickly, and we very much encourage parents and students to book promptly for Parent Student Teacher Interviews. The on-line booking portal opens on Monday 7th September at 9:00am. Interviews will be conducted in the Berwick Leisure Centre. In the term break, Year 12 VCE students have access to the TSSM September Holiday Exam Preparation Program in the holidays and I encourage them all to attend. This is an amazing opportunity not usually available outside the city, but thanks to Mr Mulcahy, we have these occurring at our school. We have also made these sessions available to some of our local schools.

I hope you are able to attend two significant evenings in our school calendar. Tickets for our Berwick College Production “Once Upon A...” are on sale now for three evenings, 3rd to 5th September. There are close to 100 students from Years 7 to 12 committed and engaged in the performance. The Annual Drive-In Movie screening ANT-MAN at 7:00pm on Friday 11th September. Promotional advertising for businesses for this evening is included in this newsletter.

I am very proud of what is being accomplished in the life of our College, of the way our staff and students support each other and we look forward to concluding a very successful Term Three.

Ms Kerri Bolch—Principal
SNAPSHOTS OF COURSE COUNSELLING

The 2016 information evenings and course counselling that occurred this term were well attended by our school community. Staff conducted 233 appointments on Tuesday 4\textsuperscript{th} August for Year 10, 2016 and 209 appointments on Thursday 6 August for Year 11, 2016. It was a very positive experience for all involved and I would like to thank all of our staff for their hard work and time to make this happen. Students and parents, through attending the personal course counselling interviews with our experienced staff, ensure that their chosen pathway provides a positive learning experience. In many cases, the pathways will change over the years, but for now, we want all our students to have the greatest choices available and ultimately, are able to make a successful transition into further education, training and employment.
STUDENT LEADERSHIP

On Tuesday **September 1st** the Student Leadership Team will be running a **cake stall** outside C1s at lunchtime to raise money for the **NAPCAN** foundation. All sales and donations will be greatly appreciated.

On Thursday **September 17th** (last day of term) the Student Leadership Team will be running a **footy themed free dress day** and a **sausage sizzle** outside C1s at lunchtime to raise money for charity. Wear your team colours and keep an eye out for advertisement closer to the day!

### SEMESTER ONE—PRESENTATION EVENING

**Congratulations** to all our students who were recognised for achievements in Swimming and Athletics, UNSW Computer Skills, Outstanding Application and Academic Excellence. The audience very much enjoyed the two performances, one ‘Popular’ from the College Production performed by Jade Sanders and Kelsey Dowler and the second ‘Hallelujah’ performed by Hayden Foster, Mark Morante and Domenic Carrubba.

**Semester One Dux students are as follows:**

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Photographs of the night are available to view online at:


Gallery Link: 20/08/15B
Username: 20.08.15
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Order forms are also available from the office.

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**Have you installed—TIQBIZ? Join the 329 people who have!**

Tiqbiz is a supplement to our other forms of communication with parents, School Council, staff and students. This communication app is easy to use and will enhance your connection to our school community. You will receive reminders of special events, have quick access to **key calendar dates**, canteen menu and the ability to **email attendance notification**.

- Suitable for Android Devices, Apple iPad & iPhone and Windows Phone (Version 8.0 and above)
- To get Tiqbiz onto your phone or ipad, go to the App store, and search for and download Tiqbiz.
- Open Tiqbiz and register/log-in.
- Click ‘Find boxes’ and search Schools, Secondary to find Berwick College. Select us from the results.
- Tick the grey boxes that apply to you, when the box turns green you’re connected.
- Click on the Inbox icon and you will receive our instant messages.
Congratulations to all successful applicants for 2016!
Again we are amazed at the talent that is in our community and are very excited to offer the academy to those students who have a passion for dance.

So far this term BCDA students were fortunate enough to have a go at a Stepping workshop run by New York’s number one crew Regime, and have participated in Hip Hop, Contemporary, Body Image and Drama workshops as well. Later this term students will head to the Space Dance and Arts Centre to gain more experience in the professional dance industry.

Please come and support many of our BCDA students in the school production ‘Once Upon A…’ and see what they have been busy rehearsing for over the last few months. For tickets please follow the link www.trybooking.com/147347

A BIG congratulations to Molly McMillan who recently received the highest exam result in the state for Grade 5 Jazz. Well done Molly, a truly great achievement!

Positions are currently still available for the Year 7 and Year 9 BCDA 2016 classes.

If you or someone you know are interested please contact me for further details or refer to the College’s website Quenette.melissa.c@edumail.vic.gov.au or 8786 1054.

Melissa Quenette
Director of Dance/Production Coordinator
SEMESTER TWO PARENT / STUDENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS will be held on:

- Thursday September 17th – 4.30pm to 8.00pm (last appointment 7.50pm)
- Friday September 18th – 9.00am to 2.00pm (last appointment 1.50pm) (staff break 11.30am to 12.30pm)

Interviews will be conducted in the Berwick Leisure Centre.
We very much encourage both the parent and the student to attend.

On-line bookings open Monday, 7th September at 9:00am. Bookings close at 3:00pm on Wednesday, 16th September

Note: There will be no formal classes on Friday 18th September

As all teachers will be involved in interviews, no formal classes will be held on Friday 18th September. An alternative program finishing at 2:30pm will be held for students who cannot be looked after. To access this program please email the College at berwick.sc@edumail.vic.gov.au or phone Mark Woodbridge on 8768 1004.

HEADSPACE AT PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Headspace staff will be at the Thursday night session of parent-Teacher interviews between 4:30 and 7pm. They are available to speak to parents to provide information and advice for supporting your child. They will have a stand with information and you can approach them with any questions you may have. You can also book in an appointment time in advance to fit in with your existing bookings with teachers through contacting a member of the Wellbeing team.

CAREER NEWS

HMAS CERBERUS

On Tuesday 18th August 25 students from Years 7 to 12 ventured to HMAS Cerberus for a tour of the Royal Australian Navy’s Victorian base. Students saw the training facilities and enjoyed demonstrations including Recruit training, Engineering, Seamanship, Communications and Fire Fighting training. They dined with the sailors in the Main Gallery and explored the comprehensive sports and music facilities.

WORK EXPERIENCE AND STRUCTURED WORKPLACE LEARNING

A reminder that students are only covered for WorkSafe and Public Liability Insurance by the Department of Education and Training while on Work Experience and Structured Workplace Learning if the arrangement forms have been completed and signed by the student, parent, employer and Principal. Please contact the Careers Centre for further information.
How to Talk to Teens who don’t want to talk

Do you have a teenager who isn’t interested in talking with you? Do you get mono-syllable answers to your questions? If so, you – and they - are normal. But don’t give up trying to have a good quality conversation with your teen. Teens don’t have to be having long, deep and meaningful conversations with adults on a daily basis – but it is important they share their thoughts and feelings with adults at least some of the time. Here are a few ideas to help the process:

1. **Talk while doing something else at the same time**

   Try conversations in the car, while walking the dog, ironing and so on. Create spots in your house that a teenager can sit and eat or look at magazines, etc. and talk to you while you are also doing something (cleaning up, looking at the paper yourself, etc.).

2. **Express less intense emotion (positive and negative) while talking to the teen**

   Teenagers will often ‘turn off’ if they notice stress, worry, frustration and excitement in an adult’s voice. Try to be as neutral as possible in conversations with uncommunicative teens. Express interest and care but stay nonchalant, casual and ‘mild’ with words and body language.

3. **Try closed questions**

   If open ended questions (How was your day?) aren’t getting you anywhere, try closed questions with just a few options. For example, “What did you like most, ‘this’ or ‘that’?”, “What was the hardest bit, ‘this or that’?”, or “On a scale of 1-10, how good/bad/worrying/fun/upsetting/easy is this/was that?”. These are often easier for teens to answer.

4. **Try written communication**

   Excellent teen-adult communication often happens via email, texts, notes left on pillows and Facebook posts (yes, even if they are in the next room!). Teens often feel less embarrassed and vulnerable communicating in writing, and they can do it in their own time.

5. **Talk about yourself**

   Don’t make conversation just about interrogation. Share your own thoughts, daily experiences and feelings. Talking idly about things helps increase their own sharing in the long term.

6. **Try addressing the uncommunicative behaviour directly**

   Sometimes, it can work to be upfront about the difficulties in communicating. Say: “I know you don’t always feel comfortable talking about this stuff, and I really will try not to bug you, but I need to know a couple of things”. Or try humour: “Here we go again, I’m going to pester you for information, I know it’s a pain, but just five minutes and then I’ll stop talking”.

7. **Offer options for communicating with someone else**

   Help teenagers find opportunities to talk with another adult they trust. Organise for an aunt/family friend/older cousin to take the teen out for coffee or be with them and initiate conversation. Set up counselling sessions with a GP/school counsellor/psychologist. Communication that happens between a teenager and adult can have positive outcomes.

8. **Don’t get frustrated, just try again tomorrow**

   If the teenager still doesn’t want to talk, don’t take it personally. It’s not your fault – or theirs. It’s just the teenage brain focussing on other things. Try again tomorrow. And the next day. Never give up on showing care and interest. Eventually they will start to talk, often when you least expect it!
Kenny kids warm and cosy!

Kenny students in 7.10 were excited by the completion of their heat packs in Textiles this term. They have been inspired by the Chinese “Year of the Goat” theme studied to create a collaged image using several drawings of goats researched using their iPads.

The process involved transfer printing onto satin fabric to create vibrant images. These packs were then filled with wheat and sent home with an instruction sheet ready to be put in the microwave. As you can see there were many happy faces.

Ms Jenny Hart
Kenny Student Learning Team Leader

HOLLOWS WEEK

Did you know it only costs $25 to save the sight of someone who is needlessly blind?

This week is Hollows Week. Every year, the Hollows Learning Team aims to raise money in support of the Fred Hollows Foundation. Part of the Foundation’s work involves performing eye operations in third world countries. These operations cost as little as $25 and take around 5 minutes.

In order to fundraise, our team is climbing the equivalent distance and incline of Mount Everest using the stairs at the College. We are asking students to get people to sponsor them to complete this climb. So far, we have already climbed Mount Everest once as a team! A magnificent effort by our students so far!

Additionally, on Thursday night we will be preparing a morning tea for staff to enjoy on Friday. Students donate their ingredients and time to make cakes and slices. In return, we ask staff to donate their spare change for the Fred Hollows Foundation.

Ms Mitchell and Ms Meehan—Hollows Student Learning Leaders
FLYNN NEWS — Phoenix Rising! Flynn is really flying now!

Flynn is really flying along this term and we are all working hard towards the "Berwick's got Talent" Battle of the Bands to be held on 10th September. Remember to register your group or act in F10 with Mrs Lewis or Mr West to have a chance to perform for the school and win great prizes.

On another note we would like to congratulate our students who achieved so highly at the recent awards night. We are proud of the hard work and high achievement of our Flynn students and to encourage you all to achieve your personal best.

Outside of school many Flynn students have achieved sporting success and we wish to congratulate them all and wish them luck in upcoming basketball and football finals.

Congratulations to Pheobe Wallen of Year 8 who won the Victorian BMX championships last weekend in her age group. She is one to watch, but you have to move quickly as she has proven hard to catch! Well done Pheobe’s!

Mrs Lewis and Mr West
Flynn Learning Team

Since we started Year 7 in Flynn Team, a lot has been happening. The subjects that we have been learning are amazing. Personally I enjoy sport, English, science and Indonesian. In Indonesian we have been learning a wide range of vocabulary, for example terms involving school and descriptive language. Recently we have been taught the exciting game of ‘conglak’. Another event that has occurred recently was the School Celebration of Excellence in which Madison Jones, Jordyn Douglas and I participated in. In conclusion it has been a wonderful year so far for Flynn.

Austeyn Bates of Year 7
**O’DONOGHUE DRAGONS**—This term, the O’Donoghue Team has had much to celebrate!!

**O’DONOGHUE WEEK!!! 17th-21st AUGUST**

On Tuesday, 18th August, Mr Nugent and Miss Greenstreet along with the Leadership team including Nathan Aliotta (School Captain and ex-O’Donoghue Captain), Abbie Hoare, Leah Gartside, Samantha Russell, Bree O’Hagan, Shona Davis, Dylan Raynes, Damon Slatter, Amy Weiland and Grace Nelson, ran a sausage sizzle fundraiser in the Canteen Plaza at lunchtime. Drinks and sausages were available to purchase with all monies being donated to Kids Undercover, a charity that takes an early intervention approach to preventing youth homelessness. They are the only organisation in Australia offering the unique combination of housing and scholarships for homeless and at risk young people.

The demand for sausages was high, with all the sausages sold before the end of lunch. The encouragement from students and staff in the school was excellent and we really appreciate everyone coming down to support our cause. Overall we raised $300 for Kids Undercover. This week, the O’Donoghue team also received a Certificate of Appreciation from the Kids Undercover Charity organisation to thank us for all our support in 2014. The money we raised went towards providing secure and stable accommodation for 544 young people and funded 117 young people to continue their education.

On Thursday 20th August, Miss Greenstreet and Mr Nugent organised the whole school activities for Homegroup. The activities included a ‘Famous movies of the decade’, ‘Things that are Orange’ and ‘Cryptic puzzle challenge’. The activities were received well, with many teams hurrying to finish in order to get as many correct answers as possible!! Identifying characters from Dr Who and The Smurfs seemed to stump most teams, and the cryptic puzzles had many students having to really think about the letter patterns. The ‘famous movies of the decade’ was well received also, with many students working in large groups to work out what each movie trailer was, with many students recalling the latest films as well as films from their childhoods. The older teachers were able to assist with the films from the 80’s and earlier, which students were very grateful for, and also enjoyed being able to recall their favourite films from their own childhoods. Thank you to all the HG’s for their support with our activity!!!

**CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY:** On Thursday 6th of August, we ran a celebration assembly to celebrate all things good in O’Donoghue. Many of our students received multiple Outstanding Application awards from Semester One, for performing very well in their subjects. Over all, over 100 O’Donoghue students received an award, which was fantastic. Also, two students were nominated by their Home group teachers, for excellent participation in Homegroup and also excellent uniform. The following students were the recipients of these awards:

- **OD1:** Abbie Hoare (Uniform) and Daniel Loughridge (Participation)
- **OD2:** Elle Costigan (Uniform) and Nash Butler (Participation)
- **OD3:** Breanna O’Hagan (Uniform) and Hayden Dickson (Participation)
- **OD4:** Januki Akarawita (Uniform) and Bailey McPhee (Participation)
- **OD5:** Cooper Preece (Uniform) and Dylan Raynes (Participation)
- **OD6:** Jesse Sands (Uniform) and Zach Pike (Participation)
- **OD7:** Cassie Esmore (Uniform) and Mitchell Walker (Participation)

Overall, our uniform is getting better all the time and we are very pleased with the application our students are applying to their classes. The team has been competing very well in the other Learning Team Challenges so far this year, with our team now moving up to 3rd overall on the ladder!! This is due to the students putting in a lot of effort to complete various activities during Home group, as well as performing very well in the classroom.
O’DONOGHUE CONTINUED...

We have two very talented students in our team, Jake Mitreski and Breanna Wereszczuk who are currently training very hard for the Swimming Victoria Swimming Championships in December. Both students are elite in their age groups and will hopefully swim good enough times to be considered for Australian teams next year. We wish them all the best in their training and will be cheering them on in December!

In other news, we have a new Homegroup teacher, Mr Shannan Davey, who has replaced Mr Chris Sacco as Homegroup teacher for OD3. Mr Sacco has a new position of responsibility in the College, and is now one of the Year 12 Coordinators. We welcome Mr Davey to the team, who has already done an excellent job so far in working with OD3. Thank you Mr Sacco for all your hard work as Homegroup teacher—you are still a highly valued member of the O’Donoghue Team. Thanks you to everyone for your support for O’Donoghue week, it was wonderful to see so many staff and students getting amongst it!!

Ms Anna Greenstreet—O’Donoghue Student Learning Leader greenstreet.anna.p@edumail.vic.gov.au 8768 1089
Mr Jesse Nugent—Assistant O’Donoghue Student Learning Leader nugent.jesse.d@edumail.vic.gov.au 8768 1089

COLLEGE PRODUCTION—NEXT WEEK...

Have you booked your ticket?!
YEAR 12 ATTENDANCE
With the final day for Year 12 is fast approaching it is crucial that students are attending school every day. Students must attend school to meet the requirements of both VCE and VCAL. If students are away, a medical certificate must be given to the Year 12 Coordinators.

YEAR 12- FINAL DAY
The final day for VCE classes will be Tuesday 20th October. Periods 1 to 4 will run as per normal. There will be a BBQ at lunch time, followed by a whole school assembly Period 5 and a Year 12 home group period 6. All students must be in full school uniform. Please note that VCAL classes conclude Friday 18th September, unless outstanding work is owing, in which case, students must attend Term 4.

YEAR 12– VALEDICTORY
The Year 12 Valedictory will be held on Thursday December 3rd at Berwick Church of Christ from 6pm to 9pm where students will be presented with their VCE or VCAL certificate and subject awards.

Please contact Lexie McGill or Christopher Sacco with any enquires.

Senior School Team

CONGRATULATIONS
Congratulations to Steven Hughes of Year 12 who has been selected to represent Victoria in the State Boys Baseball Team! All the best for the upcoming Championships Steve!

Congratulations to Andrew Parker, Year 12 who made the State Tennis Team earlier in the year!

Congratulations to Year 12 student, Ben Walkerden (pictured) who won the U19s Cyclocross Australian Championships

YEAR 11 LEGAL STUDIES EXCURSION TO LODDON PRISON
On the 18th of August the day had finally come, months of waiting, anticipation and speculation all boiled down to the day that we were finally going to Loddon Prison. The students arrived at the school not a moment before 6.30am, and before a glimmer of sunlight could be seen we had already started our three hour journey to Castlemaine. Loddon Prison was strict on procedure, it took us 15 minutes just to get through the various stages of security, which consisted of narrow paths, body scans and rooms were the only way through is by granted access from guards. The structure was formidable, and it was hard not to feel uneasy when we were ensnared in a barbed facility that has been created for the pure reason of keeping people from getting out.

We were given the opportunity to meet four prisoners after we passed through the safeguards and were given a rundown of the prison, they were very diverse and their transgressions all unique, but immoral all the same. We met a murderer, a culpable driver, an armed robber and narcotic trafficker, all of which were reasonably honest and open with discussion and the telling of their story, though, at times they did endeavour to ‘sell their story’. Some of the inmates were fairly convincing and may even of had us at times feeling empathetic, but we regained rationality when the guard on duty reminded us that they ‘are prisoners after all and that there is always a victim’.

At noon we all got back on the bus and the groups shared stories and tales and tried to analyse what each of them had been told and only then did it hit me, that I had just met two people who ended another’s life (one maliciously and another ‘accidentally’), I had met a man who networked drugs across Victoria and another who did a severe robbery, but after all they were only men, people. The day was surreal and worth the wait, never do I think I’ll ever have an experience quite it again.

Ben Veen
Year 11 Legal Studies Student
INTERMEDIATE VCAL
Students in Intermediate VCAL have been busy completing various activities in the classroom. Some Year 11 students are involved in the Bite Size project. This project involves students producing and selling soup to staff. Students are working in teams and developing various skills involved in running a small business. Ms Madden and Mr Black are supporting the students with this project.

Ms Redmond and Mr Davey have been busy with their Intermediate class. Students have been reading “The Happiest Refugee” and discussing refugees. Students have completed instructional writing and part of this involved students working with recipes. Students completed a practical class on international food and produced various meals shared by staff and students.

FOUNDATION and SENIOR VCAL
On the 28th of July Regime Music Group from America visited Berwick College and our Foundation and Senior students were fortunate to participate in this presentation. Regime Music Group sing, dance and use lyrics to promote self-esteem, respect, confidence and resilience.

The students and staff not only watched the show but also participated with in some step dancing. It was a fun and rewarding experience shared by staff and students.
IPAB WINNERS: VET SMALL BUSINESS

Congratulations to our high-flying, risk-taking, future entrepreneur Vet Small Business students who on Wednesday, August 12 were recognised and awarded prizes for their I Plan A Business projects at Victoria University in the City.

Two groups were joint winners (in different categories) and received a $500 dollar voucher. Catherine Terry, Charlie Nankervis and Eillie Lipman’s “Pay It Forward” business plan won Year 10/11 Business Track Category. Tiffany Brady and Samantha Trudgett represented their team of Riley Nawacki and Kirsty Fudge as winners of the Year 10/11 Social Enterprise Track category. Their business proposal was titled “Think About It”. We also had 2 runners up and they received a $50 dollar gift voucher. Morgan Downs, Aleisha Gladstone and Lisa Vullings’ Social Enterprise proposal was “Bear Essentials” and Malavika Kattali and Taylah Ferguson received their voucher on behalf of their other members, Leah Taylor and Rebecca Fulop. Their Business Track plan was named “Furry Fitness”.

The students were treated to two guest speakers; economist and ABC financial advisor, Mr Alan Kohler and Australian entrepreneur, Chanel Costabir. Their words of wisdom inspired the students to fulfil their dreams of one day opening a successful business.

To have two winners and two finalists in the competition is a magnificent result; given that 29 schools (including Mac Robertson High) and 363 students participated in the annual competition.

The girls represented the College with pride and they should be commended for their efforts! All other Vet Small Business students received a certificate of participation for their efforts!

Ms Melissa Quenette and Mr Chris Sacco
VET Small Business Teachers

LIBRARY NEWS

CELEBRATE - IT’S BOOK WEEK !!!

The theme chosen this year is - "Books Light Up our World".
The winner for the senior section is ‘Protected’ by Claire Zorn. Congratulations!
Books not only light up our world, they enlighten our world. Enjoy reading.
The Library Ladies
On **Friday September 11th**, the Berwick College Chaplaincy Support Group will hold our fourth Annual Fundraising Drive-in Movie presentation at Akoonah Park. As is our custom we look for sponsorship from our local businesses to again help make this fundraiser a success. We offer two basic sponsorship packages, which are as follows:

**Package A:** At a cost of $100.00: A slide on our sponsorship PowerPoint presentation, which will be screened numerous times before the Film and during the interval. All we need is a Jpeg file of your choice. Multiple images on our presentation will cost $100.00 each.

**Package B:** At a cost of $400.00: A slide on our PowerPoint presentation as above and an advertisement in our School Newsletter for a period of twelve months.

All monies spent on Sponsorship are considered donations to the Chaplaincy Program and are fully tax deductible. Receipts will be issued to allow you to take advantage of this.

This event has grown in attendance over the last three years and last year we had in excess of fifty cars, all from the local area. This is a great, relatively low cost way to advertise your business to your own clientele.

Please indicate your support on the attached sheet, and we’ll follow up a little closer to the event.

Samuel Lui  
Secretary  
Berwick College Chaplaincy Support Group  
Phone: (+61) 0458 294 969

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Please Return To:

The Berwick College Chaplaincy Support Group  
P.O. Box 922  
BERWICK VIC 3806 or Email: samwiselui@hotmail.com

I wish to sponsor the 2015 Fundraising Drive in Movie on Friday September 11th at Akoonah Park.

I wish to take Package A. at a cost of $100.00

I wish to take Package B. at a cost of $400.00

Name………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….……………………………….

Business…………………………………………………………………………………………………………...…………………………………

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Berwick Braves Softball Club caters for players aged from 6 to 96 both Male and Female in a fun, friendly, family oriented environment.

SOFTBALL FUN FOR ALL AGES
Berwick Braves Softball Club—Registration / Training Day
Saturday, 12th of September 2015 from 1pm – 3pm
Sweeney Reserve: Cnr Melzac Drive & Dempster Way, Berwick
No Experience Necessary – EVERYONE WELCOME to come down and try
Contact: Tania Hoare 0412 544 580 / tania@tankweld.com.au
www.berwickbraves.softball.org.au
or find us on Facebook https://www.facebook.com/Berwick.Braves

Sept/Oct Holiday Program
Junior Ranger Program—Kids enjoy environmental activities, animal encounters and native animal care. Day includes: interactions with dingo, python, off-limits animals, feeding animals & food prep, animal enrichment activities, fun and games for ages 7-14 years. Week 1: Monday 21st to Friday 25th September 10am – 4pm Week 2: Monday 28th September to Thursday 1st October 10am – 4pm Cost: $65.00 per day, or $175 for 3 days (pro rata for additional days). Maximum 16 children per day. Bookings essential as they are limited. Dress for the weather and wear closed-toe shoes, long pants and remember your hat or raincoat. BYO lunch or purchase at the café. 550 Tyabb-Tooradin Rd, Pearcedale Phone 5978 7935 Web: www.moonlitsanctuary.com.au/juniorrangers.aspx Open daily between 10am and 5pm
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In January 2016 we will be receiving exchange students from Argentina, Bolivia, Denmark, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Norway, Switzerland, Sweden and the USA. Our new arrivals will live with a host family, have at least basic levels of English and attend a local school for 3, 5 or 10 months. As we plan for their arrival, we are keen to hear from suitable families who might be interested to host a student.

www.studentexchange.org.au

1300 135 331 (cost of local call)