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Crescam: “I shall Grow”
Important Calendar Dates 2018 / 2019

Enrolment Documentation
7th September 2018
Submit to the Main Office

Year 7 Information Evening
10th December 2018
7:00pm in the Stadium

Grade 6 Orientation Day
11th December 2018
Meet in the Leisure Centre by 9:00am
Primary School Sports Uniform

First Day of Secondary College
30th January 2019
Meet in the Leisure Centre by 9:00am

Photo Day
7th February 2019
Meet the Home Group Teacher Evening
14th February 2019
3:40pm - 6:00pm
Information will be distributed by your HG Teacher in 2019

Swimming Carnival
25th February 2019
Doveton Pool

Professional Learning Day
Student Free Day
8th March 2019

Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews
Thursday 4th April 2019 - 4:30pm till 8:00pm
Friday 5th April 2019 - 9:00am till 2:00pm

Report Writing Day
Student Free Day
14th June 2019

Last Day of Term 2
2:30pm Dismissal
28th June 2019

Professional Learning Day
Student Free Day
7th August 2019

Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews
Thursday 19th September 2019 - 4:30pm till 8:00pm
Friday 20th September 2019 - 9:00am till 2:00pm

More dates will be communicated throughout the year, please make sure you are checking Compass and the College Website regularly for updates.
Welcome to Berwick College

We are excited that you have chosen Berwick College for your secondary education and look forward to getting to know you. I am proud of this school; our outstanding results and specialist facilities, and feel privileged to work with such wonderful young people and dedicated staff. Our students thrive, learn and make a difference to our community each day.

Our Crescam, “I shall grow”, reflects our commitment to nurturing academic success and engagement by offering rich and varied educational programs in a caring and supportive environment with pathways for accelerated learning.

Over time, you will become a part of our extensive alumni with global connections in an amazing variety of fields and part of a rich 42-year history in the City of Casey.

I encourage you to take advantage of every opportunity, whether an extra-curricular activity such as the performing arts, sporting and instrumental music programs, student leadership or the many interstate and overseas tours offered to extend your learning.

Our values, Perseverance, Respect, Personal Achievement, Integrity and Resilience, support our classroom teaching and learning as well as our relationships and interactions with each other.

Enjoy being part of our vibrant Learning Teams, which together with our specialised transition days and programs, will help you build a sense of connection and promote wellbeing as you adjust to the change to secondary schooling.

We hope, through your interest and participation, you will come to feel very much a part of our school community.

Ms Kerri Bolch
Principal

Key Personnel

Our College Crescam incorporates the local flora and geography of the College as well as reflects our commitment that every person “shall grow”.

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All staff and students have their own school-based Google account for online and collaborative communication, organisation and document creation. This ensures students can be learning anywhere, anytime and on any device.

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Guiding Principles of Berwick College

As students come to the end of their journey at Berwick College, we aim for them to:

- Possess the life skills which enable them to face challenges with confidence, resilience, empathy and respect.
- Be adaptable to change and embrace ongoing learning through problem solving, creativity and thinking critically.
- Have a continuing sense of community, both locally and globally, and an awareness of the importance of the environment.

Teaching and Learning at Berwick College

Our teaching and learning framework achieves a consistent approach to teaching practices and maintains high professional standards to ensure the best possible learning outcomes for all students.

Dedicated teachers, wellbeing staff, career guidance and transition programs ensure our students are well supported and well cared for throughout their school life. Positive and quality relationships between students, teachers, parents and the community are fostered through the Learning Team structure.

Students are given opportunities for experience a deeper and broader curriculum in the High Achievers Program, Dance Academy, Basketball Academy or acceleration into a VCE subject, where appropriate.

Year 11 and 12 students can focus on VCE, VCAL and a VET subject. This is supported by the senior school team and the pathways careers team. This enables all students to proceed to an appropriate tertiary environment, apprenticeship or employment.

All classroom learning is widely supported by computers, multimedia technologies and principles of eLearning.

Curriculum

The curriculum at Years 7-9 is designed to provide rich learning experiences in a wide range of areas, thereby preparing students to make objective decisions with regard to their studies in the later years of their schooling. Lessons are differentiated, so that all students can experience success in their learning. There is a focus on English, Maths, Science and Humanities. This is complimented with opportunities to study sports, arts, technology and languages.
Key Dates: Transition in 2018/2019

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7th September 2018

Year 7 Information Evening:
10th December 2018- 7:00pm-8:00pm in the Stadium

Grade 6 Orientation Day:
11th December 2018

First Day 2019
30th January
Students are to report to the Leisure Centre in full school uniform by 9am

Grade 6 Orientation Day
On Orientation Day all Grade 6 students should report to the Leisure Centre by 9am. Students are to wear their Primary School sport uniform so they are easily identifiable.

They will meet their 2019 class (subject to change) and attend a variety of introductory lessons throughout the day. They should bring an exercise book and pencil case on the day.

Students should also bring a small backpack with food and a drink, however the canteen will be open for them to purchase food and drinks at recess and lunchtime if they wish. The Canteen price list can be found on the school website [www.berwickcollege.vic.edu.au](http://www.berwickcollege.vic.edu.au) under ‘General Information’.

At the end of the day, students will be escorted to the lower bus bay (main car park) for dismissal at 3pm.

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**Term Dates for 2019:**

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For any further enquiries or for school tours please contact the Office on 8768 1000

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**THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS MUST BE RETURNED TO BERWICK COLLEGE**

**BY 7th SEPTEMBER 2018.**

Please **DO NOT** return to your Primary School.

1. **Completed Enrolment form (Green),** signed on page 8 (in two places) and page 9 (Consent Form, fully completed).
2. A copy of your child’s **BIRTH CERTIFICATE (and relevant documentation)**.
3. **Student Acceptable Use Agreement**, signed by Student and Parent/Carer
4. **If applicable, please also return the Instrumental Music application form.**

*Relevant documentation: If the student was **born overseas**, a copy of their **passport** and **visa details** is also required.*
Home Group Meetings

- Monday – 10 minutes
- Tuesday – 20 minutes
- Thursday – 30 minutes
- Friday – 10 minutes

Learning Team Names and Colours

Learning teams have been named after Australians who have served and made a significant contribution to the Australian community. Colours have been named after Australian gem stones.

Chisholm after Caroline Chisholm
Topaz (light blue)

Dunlop after Sir Edward ‘Weary’ Dunlop
Citrine (yellow)

Flynn after John Flynn
Amethyst (purple)

Frost after Dame Phyllis Frost
Sapphire (royal blue)

Hollows after Fred Hollows
Peridot (lime green)

Kenny after Elizabeth Kenny
Ruby (red)

Monash after Sir John Monash
Emerald (dark green)

O’Donoghue after Lowitja O’Donoghue
Cornelian (orange)

Student Learning Leaders

Additional information will become available to you throughout the year. This will be uploaded onto the College website for you to read regarding the College to make a smoother transition for you and your child attending Berwick College in 2019.
High Achievers Program

“A highly sought after program that enables students to expand their minds in creative and innovative ways ensuring students’ engagement and academic acceleration.”

At Berwick College we strive to cater for all students within our vibrant learning community. Students who show high academic aptitude and have high academic aspirations are particularly suited to our High Achievers Program.

The High Achievers Program is an enrichment program designed to foster 21st Century learners, with a focus on inquiry-based learning, collaboration, critical thinking and creativity. We are focused on preparing our students for future learning and to become positive contributors to their community as adults. Our high achieving students follow the Victorian Curriculum guidelines however work presented is more intellectually challenging, allowing teachers to assess each student’s current learning level and learning needs to provide a learning program appropriate to the development of each child.

Berwick College is a learning community focussed on improving learning for everyone in our College. We want to ensure that our students are engaged and inspired to strive for excellence in learning.

Our curriculum is underpinned by the Victorian Curriculum and enables students to undertake a variety of subjects from different domains.

At Year 7 we endeavour to ensure that the transition between Primary School and Berwick College is a smooth one. With this in mind we visit schools during the year to answer questions from our prospective new students about Berwick College. Where possible we try to know as much as we can about our students’ learning and work to differentiate our classroom practice to ensure students have every opportunity to do their best.

We offer opportunities for students to participate in co-curricular activities that further enhance their classroom experiences and encourage students with a passion for basketball or dance to participate in our academies. Our High Achievers’ Program extends our students thinking through a purpose designed curriculum.

Berwick College also places a strong emphasis on positive student teacher interaction to ensure students feel safe, supported and challenged in their learning.

In our classrooms Year 7 students participate in a wide variety of learning areas to give them a broader understanding of different subjects before they begin to specialise in the latter years of their schooling.

A cornerstone of Berwick College’s values is Pathways. We offer a breadth of subjects and pathways to cater for all student interests in the senior years including the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) or the Victorian Certificate for Applied Learning (VCAL). Vocational Educational Training in schools (VETis) is available to all students in Years 10-12.

At Berwick College we are committed to providing excellence in learning for all our students.

The school year is divided into two semesters and each semester has two terms. Students are formally assessed at the end of each semester and are provided with interim reports at the end of term 1 and 3. This is followed closely by Parent/Teacher interviews about their progress.
A warning bell will sound 8 min prior to the end of recess and lunch.

Times in brackets denotes half of double session or half of lunchtime.

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**An example of a current year 7 student timetable**

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### Junior School

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<td>Maths</td>
<td>Science</td>
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<td>Racquet and striking Boys *</td>
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<td>Systems Technology</td>
<td>Codes of the world Boys *</td>
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* Elective subject

Crescam: “I shall Grow”
It is compulsory for all students at Berwick College to bring their own IT device to school as part of their essential booklist. The type of device is left to the parent’s discretion and may include either tablet or laptop type devices, but cannot be a mobile phone or iPad mini due to eye strain.

Where possible, required textbooks for each subject will be in a digital format. Using an IT device in conjunction with digital textbooks will work out as a very cost effective for parents when compared to the traditional textbook model.

Through their nominated device, students can access a vast range of information and educational apps. It opens up a world of learning where tasks and activities can be tailored to individual student interest and learning styles. Students will have anytime, anywhere access to a suite of digital tools and will be able to communicate and collaborate far more efficiently. They will be able to connect with people and issues all across the globe with a global classroom, whilst completing learning tasks in creative and innovative ways. Ultimately, embracing cutting edge technology in the classroom today will help students develop the skills required for success in their real-world futures.

The College’s aim is to give parents as much flexibility as possible so that they can choose an option that best fits their circumstances. Parents can either purchase a new device from a retailer of their choice or bring one that they already own.

The device needs to meet the following requirements:

- Must have a Wi-Fi operating speed of 5 GHz to be able to operate on the College’s network.
- A minimum storage of 16Gb is required (this is enough for school use—if a student will be using the device for videos or gaming out of school, more storage may be required).
- Must have a suitable case — should be sturdy enough to withstand daily use and transport to and from school.
- Accidental Damage and Theft Insurance is optional but recommended and is not provided by the school.

Please note: It is the parent’s responsibility to ensure that the student comes to school with the required learning tools, so parents should think carefully about what recommended options they select.

For all questions and enquiries please don’t hesitate to contact:

Ms Devi Aruna  
Digital Learning Coordinator  
8768 1000
Leadership Opportunities

Berwick College gives students the opportunity to participate in a dynamic Student Leadership Program operating across all year levels and throughout our Learning Teams / House Systems. Our students play an active role in supporting charities and wider community service activities.

Berwick College seeks to establish and maintain a high level of professional standards in relation to all activities within the College. This policy is in accord with the College’s ‘Mission Statement’, ‘Values’ and ‘Service Standards’. Berwick College offers a range of formal and informal student roles to provide students with the opportunity to develop their leadership ability and skills.

Berwick College believes student leadership roles gives students the opportunity to actively participate in decision-making processes that affect their learning and school experience which will enhance the overall college community, improve student connectedness and engagement to the College and build pride in the College.

Rewards and Recognition Program

The College has introduced a Whole School Rewards and Recognition Program for all students from Years 7 – 11. The award is a collective recognition of students overall commitment to their learning, each year, as assessed by the following:

- Attendance
- Academic Achievement
- Academic Application
- Promotion of the School Values (Teacher Judgement on reports)
- Involvement in Extracurricular Activities.

These will be awarded in the form of badges at the whole school awards night at the end of each year. Students must obtain Bronze before a Silver, and a Silver before a Gold and so forth.

There are 4 levels of recognition students can achieve:

- Bronze
- Silver
- Gold
- Platinum
  (Principal’s Award)
Co-Curricular Options

Sport
Berwick College runs a broad and comprehensive interschool sports program and has a proud history of outstanding performance in secondary school sports. Participation in sports enables our students to develop co-ordination skills, strength and overall fitness, to hone their strategic thinking and to discover the importance of cooperation and teamwork. During the year, students have the opportunity to try out for many interschool sporting teams including cricket, soccer, tennis, netball, AFL football, badminton, volleyball, table tennis, hockey, basketball and more.

Music
Berwick College has an outstanding music program that provides the opportunity for students to learn an instrument of their choice and join various ensembles and bands. All students in the High Achiever’s Program undertake instrumental music in class as the Music component of Year 7 Performing Arts. This is completed in a band format and as such, students in this program will be required to choose Woodwind or Brass instrument.

Other Programs
There are many other co-curricular programs happening throughout the school year for students to be part of especially our Learning Team challenges and fundraisers.

Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF)
The Victorian Government has announced $148.3 million over four years for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) to ensure all eligible students are able to participate in school trips and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. An allowance of $225 per eligible secondary school student will be paid directly to Berwick College to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of the student. (Please note: This money cannot be put towards electives and school fees)

You will need to fill out a new application form when commencing at Berwick College. Application forms may be downloaded from: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef.

Closing Date: Applications should be lodged at the school by 1st March 2019.

Basketball Academy
The Berwick College Basketball Academy is aimed at providing an integrated academic pathway driven by young students sporting aspirations. Students experience an elite and specialised sports program that allows young athletes to enhance and develop their sporting talent while concurrently receiving their secondary education and providing unique future employment opportunities. Expert internal coaches deliver training and theoretical sessions, Certificate III sport and recreation and VCE Units 1 to 4. Expert external coaches assist with training sessions and tournaments. The Academy has links to the Victorian Junior Basketball League, Dandenong Rangers, Pakenham Warriors, Casey Cavaliers and Keysborough Cougars.

Dance Academy
The Berwick College Dance Academy (BCDA) is a full-time academic and dance program, which will link students’ educational pursuits with their performing arts interests. The program caters for passionate and aspiring artists, increases student engagement and improves student outcomes. It is designed to prepare students for VCE Dance, VET Dance and Theatre Studies, as well as the world of professional dance.

The BCDA has a focus on individual pathways, 21st Century learning and the creation of a professional resume and portfolio. As well as learning from an industry expert at the College, students will engage in an extensive dance program including professional workshops, excursions and incursions, performances within the College as well as in the local and wider community. Each and every student will be provided with a rich and meaningful experience that aims to excite and motivate students to reach their creative passions.

Please Note: Academy information will be provided to you directly by the Academy directors. Please contact the relevant director if you have questions specific regarding the Basketball or Dance Academy.
2019 Fees and Charges Information

Government schools are not fully funded for all programs or resources. To make up the short-fall the College Council has set annual fees for all year levels. Parent/guardian’s payment of these set fees ensures Berwick College continues to provide high quality educational programs and facilities. A breakdown of the fees in each year level are on the college website—http://www.berwickcollege.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/Berwick-College-College-and-Curriculum-Unit-Fees-Schedule-2019.pdf

- Student Essential Learning Item fee for Year 7: $270.00.
- Student Essential Learning Item fee for Year 8: $300.00
- Student Essential Learning Item fee for Year 9: $200.00

A. Student Essential Learning Items (classroom materials and technology resources, RN Div 2 Nurse/First Aid)

B. Student Activities and Programs (drama incursions, school swimming sports, athletics carnival, interschool sports and transports)

C. College Facilities and Grounds Maintenance (Year book, facilities and grounds maintenance of school owned facilities including PAC, Stadium, Hockey)

* Voluntary Berwick College Building Fund - per family (tax deductible) suggested amount $ 40.00

- Students who have been selected for the High Achievers Program, Basketball or Dance Academy will incur additional costs. Please visit the College Website for charges or contact Reception.
- College fees and charges payment sheet can be located on the College Website, under ‘the curriculum tab—2019 curriculum guides’.
- Year 7, 8 and 9’s are required to have an IT device.
- The digital bundle (to go with the IT device) and books are purchased through Lamont Books Pty Ltd via the booklist which will be available later in the year.

Year 7 Camp 2019—Phillip Island Adventure Resort

Situated on 80 acres of landscaped grounds in the heart of Phillip Island, The Resort benefits from its close proximity to many local attractions and beaches.

Featured among The Resort’s large choice of recreational facilities are 2 solar heated pools, one indoor heated pool, an extensive range of professionally built and accredited adventure activities, including 3 giant swings, 2x2 high ropes courses and multiple twin flying foxes, as well as two large recreational lakes. Year 7 camp assists in a smooth transition to secondary school. Students get to form new friendships and get to know their teachers. All students are expected to attend.

DATES:  Camp 1: 18th to 20th March 2019
        Camp 2: 20th to 22nd March 2019

COST:  $260.00 (approx.)

This includes all transport, food, cabin-style accommodation and adventure activities such as:

Flying fox, canoeing, high rope, giant swing, surfing and raft making.
**General Information**

**Lockers:** All Students will be issued with a locker at the beginning of the year. These lockers are located in your learning team area.

**Koorie Education:** Berwick College creates a learning environment that respects, acknowledges and celebrates Indigenous culture through pedagogy and practice. The Koorie Education program at Berwick College aims to provide quality and meaningful educational outcomes to young Koorie people while increasing the cultural awareness of our non-indigenous staff and students.

**Canteen:** The school canteen is available for students to buy their lunch and snacks at recess and lunchtime.

**Bus Travel:** The College is serviced by bus routes from Cranbourne, Fiveways, Beaconsfield, Berwick South, Timbarra, Berwick Station, Upper Beaconsfield, Fountain Gate, Oatlands, Narre Warren North, and Pakenham. Some students travel by train to Berwick or Beaconsfield Railway stations and connect with school buses. Route details are available on the College Website under 'General Information; Buses' and click on the 'Bus Handbook' at the bottom of the page.

**Uniform:** The uniform should be worn correctly, neatly and in clean condition. All students from years 7 to 12 are expected to wear full school uniform from the time they leave home to the time they return home and the policy is strictly enforced. Please check the website for more information on the dress code (under the services tab). Please make sure all items of clothing are labelled correctly.

**Uniform Shop:**
- Noone Imagewear
  - Beaconsfield Hub—Shop 4, 52-62 Old Princes Highway, BEACONSFIELD 3807
  - Telephone: 9769 9093
  - Email: beaconsfield@noone.com.au
  - Melway Ref: 111-J12

**Year 7 Tribe Day:** As part of the transition into Berwick College, Year 7 students undertake a “Tribe Day” early in February. More information will be provided to you at the Parent information evening in December. Year 7 Parents are asked to complete the relevant section of the ‘Consent Form’ on Page 9 of the enrolment form to provide permission for students to attend this day.

**Compass:** Compass is a web-based system that is accessible on any modern web browser or by using the 'Compass School Manager' app available for iOS or Android. Compass is a form of communication with parents, School Council, staff and students. This free 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, finance payments, record student attendance, reports, bookings for Parent/Teacher Interviews, etc. Log-in details will be distributed at a later date.

**Sustainable School Shop:** Berwick College does not have a Second Hand Book Sale. We have instead introduced the Sustainable School Shop (www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au or 1300 683 337) to recycle and trade second hand textbooks, uniforms, and other student resources for Berwick College.

**Lamont Books:** Lamont is our official school supplier. More Information will become available in December. Office Location: 6 Technology Circuit, Hallam. Phone: 8787 1700. Email: textbooks@lamontbooks.com.au

**Newsletters:** Newsletters are emailed out three times a term and contain important information about school policies, forthcoming events and past successes. Learn all about what is happening at Berwick College by reading the latest newsletter. You can also access previous newsletters through the College Website.
Berwick College Crossword

“What do you know about the College?”

Crescam: “I shall Grow”

1. What is the name of the shop you can buy our school uniform from?
2. Where do the Year 7s go on Camp?
3. What Learning Team is Orange?
4. What will you follow each day to know what subjects you have?
5. What will you have every morning, except on Wednesday?
6. What learning team is light blue?
7. What language is compulsory at Year 7 and 8?
8. What Learning Team is Purple?
9. Finish the Sentence: We are the Dunlop ________?
10. How many learning teams are there at Berwick College?
11. Where do you keep your bag and books during the day?
12. What is the Mascot of the Frost Learning Team?
Berwick College Offers

- A broad and comprehensive range of courses and programs for students in Years 7 – 12, as well as VCAL, VET and Foundation VCAL programs.

- A safe and happy environment where all students are encouraged to reach their full potential.

- An extensive range of school and inter-school sporting activities, in outstanding sporting facilities.

- A comprehensive Instrumental Music program.

- Classroom eLearning supported by computer and multimedia technologies.

- High Achievers Program (HAP) – An enrichment program designed to foster 21st Century learners.

- Career specific pathways and counselling which assists students to identify and develop worthwhile career goals and to select subjects which will maximise their opportunities both at and beyond school.

- A Wellbeing Team, School Chaplain and School Nurse to provide care for students and their needs.

A number of College Tours are held throughout the year. For further information, please visit our website at:

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