Forthcoming Events

February

Monday 15th  Parents Club Meeting 7.30pm Staff Rec Rm
Monday 15th → Year 7 Hall’s Gap Camp
Thursday 18th  France & Belgium Trip Information Night 7.30pm
Wednesday 17th  Northern Zone Swimming Competition
Thursday 18th  School Council Meeting 8pm
Friday 19th  Motivational Media, 9:10am (Years 5-12)
Monday 22nd → Year 8 Portland Camp
Friday 26th  Year 11 Work Experience
Monday 22nd →
Friday 26th  School Council - close of nominations
Monday 22nd →
Wednesday 24th  Prep Parent Information Evening 7.30pm
Thursday 25th  Cultural Performance - Prep-Grade 6
Friday 26th  School Census Day
Friday 26th  VCE English Seminar - Horsham, Yr 12

March

Thursday 4th  Ag & Hort Class Excursion Wimmera Field Days
Friday 5th  Interschool Swimming Sports Yrs 7-12
Monday 8th  Labour Day Holiday
Tuesday 9th  Physical Resources Meeting
Thursday 11th  Secondary Summer Sports Carnival-Yrs 7-12
Friday 12th  Primary Summer Sports Carnival - St. Arnaud

Wednesday 17th  Northern Zone Swimming Competition
Thursday 18th  School FETE
Monday 22nd  ‘Habits of Mind’ - Parent Meeting 7.30pm at Birchip Community Leisure Centre
Tuesday 23rd  Primary Easter Parade
Thursday 25th  School Council

Friday 26th  Last day of school for Term 1

April

Monday 12th  First day of term 2
Tuesday 13th  Parent/Student/Teaching evening
Thursday 15th  School Council Meeting 8pm

‘Get into Genes Day’ Years 9-12
Monday 19th → Year 10 Work Experience
Friday 23rd

Year Seven Hall’s Gap Camp

Monday 15th – Thursday 18th February 2010.

Good luck to the year seven students, Mr Tyler and Miss McKenzie for a great week next week on the annual year seven camp. This year after many years travelling to Ballarat we return to Hall’s Gap for a more environmentally focused camp. Activities include bush walking, abseiling, rock climbing and of course just getting back to nature. The group will leave the school at 9:15 a.m. on Monday. It is expected the group will return by 3:00 p.m. on Thursday – hopefully just in time for the buses.

Habits of Mind - Parent Forum

Monday 22nd March 2010

Commencing at 7:30 p.m. at the Birchip Community Leisure Centre

The Birchip P-12 School has for the past four years been working towards becoming ‘A Mindful School’ – a school where thinking is encouraged and a school where the 16 Habits of Mind are continually being developed and strengthened within our teaching and learning.

This forum is designed to extend the Habits of Mind into the wider school community. Habits of Mind leader, James Anderson, will again visit our school and speak to students and staff on this day and then present the
Habits of Mind to parents and lead discussion at the Parent Forum.

Parents are strongly encouraged to attend and participate in the evening forum. We hope that at least one parent from each family can attend.

There will be various door prizes including an iPod touch.

Supper will be served by Senior SRC students. The evening will be free of charge.

New School Bus Protocol

The following school bus protocol will take effect from Monday 15th February 2010.

Primary students will be checked on to the homeward bound bus each evening as is current practice.

Bus captains will check off all secondary students and hand the secondary students bus roll to the bus co-ordinator prior to departure. (This will be new practice)

IT WILL BE ASSUMED THAT ALL SCHOOL STUDENT BUS TRAVELLERS WILL TRAVEL HOME ON THE SCHOOL BUS EACH DAY UNLESS THEIR PARENTS/CARERS CONTACT THE SCHOOL AND INFORM THE SCHOOL OF ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS.

This contact may take the form of:
- a written note to the school, signed and dated by the parent/carer
- the parent / carer contacts the school office by telephone
- the parent / carer visits the school and makes direct contact with the school office

John Richmond
PRINCIPAL
12.02.2010

Induction of School Leaders

Proud parents, grandparents and friends attended the Birchip P-12 School’s induction ceremony to applaud the many students who took on positions of responsibility. The school’s principal, Mr John Richmond introduced the 2010 guest speaker for the celebration Cr Leo Tellefson, Mayor of the Buloke Shire Council to the assembled group. Mr Richmond thanked the students for being prepared to put their hands up and ultimately believing they can help make a difference.

Cr Tellefson spoke about the development of his leadership skills over the years and recognised that the skill of talking in front of others came from his participation in a band while he was in high school. Performing on a regular basis gave him the confidence to talk to others and to understand how people think about certain issues.

Cr Tellefson gave the future leaders in the audience tips on how to be successful. He thought it important that leaders shouldn’t be ‘woosers.’ They need to be brave and have belief in their ideas. However, Cr Tellefson warned that being an effective leader is more than being a people person as you must deliver results. Leaders need to have an opinion and to stand up for what they think, they can’t just sit on the fence and sway with the wind. This means that decisions have to be made and responsibility for actions has to be taken.

Being a leader means that you are in the public eye and therefore it is paramount to keep a good moral character and steer your moral compass in the right direction. Character and personality plays an immense role in how one succeeds as a leader. Leaders should be well liked and need to make the effort to make friends as the job is so much easier if people like you.

In closing Cr Tellefson wished the school community and all those who were elected to positions of responsibility the best of luck for the year.

Junior SRC

Mr Greg Welton, teacher in charge of the primary SRC announced his leadership group for the year.

President Georgia Lee
Vice President Ashlee Tierney
Secretary Sam Milne
Treasurer Madeline Paley
OHS & EO Officer Tahlia Noonan

Sam Milne, Tahlia Noonan, Ashlee Tierney, Georgia Lee, Madeline Paley
Bus Captains
Bus captains play a pivotal role in the school as a large proportion of students’ daily travel is to and from school on buses. Bus Coordinator, Mrs Merrilyn Kelly introduced her fleet of bus captains to the school.

Jil Jil- Winston Brett Barker, Kate Watts, Georgia Lee, Cheryl Kemp
Curyo Emma Forrester, Marnie Lehmann, Riley Doran, Royce Bennett
Beulah Nathan Bennett, Megan Naylor, Joshua Bennett, Amy Bennett
Watchem-Wilkur Ian Fraser, Courtney Gleeson, Ben Milne, Shae Colbert

Senior SRC
Being an SRC representative is an important role in the school as these students are the mouth piece for student concerns and they work together to achieve better amenities for the student body. This year, under the guidance of Miss Stacey Hick, the group has promised to be very active. Miss Hicks congratulated all the students who were brave enough to put their names forward. The following students are this year’s representatives.

Year 7 Mason Bland, Emily Totzenberger
Year 8 Cooper Benfield, Hayley Hogan
Year 9 Zoe Weir, Maryanne Bell, Stephanie McClelland

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Year 10 Ethan Cooper, Emily Smith, Laura Lee, Sophie Noonan
Year 11 Mikaela Christie, Branden Atkinson
Year 12 Marshall Connelly, Darcie Cooper, Cassie Hogan

The executive of the SRC consists of:
President Marshall Connelly
Vice-President Mikaela Christie
Secretary Darcie Cooper
Treasurer Cassie Hogan
Physical Resources Rep Emily Smith

House Captains
The House captains play a major role in the running of school sports competitions. They run house meetings, encourage students to take part in activities, enter their names in spreadsheets which then create the programs for the sports and organise their teams on the day. This year’s house captains are:
Young House Kate Watts and Nathan Bennett
Fraser House Ashlee Donnan and Brett Barker

School Captains
Ashlee and Brett were also obviously proud to be elected by their peers and staff to the positions of School Captains. Ashlee spoke about how well she was accepted by the group when she came to Birchip half way through 2008. She made comment on how welcome she was made to feel as everyone wanted ‘a chat’ and the ‘teachers were keen and eager to teach.’ She thanked everyone over the past eighteen months for making her transition so seamless.
Brett came from Nullawil Primary school and he too spoke about how easy it was to fit into school life. Brett mentioned that never did he imagine six years ago that he could be school captain. The realisation of the importance of his attainment dawned on him when his father proudly said, ‘Well, you’re the first Barker to be a school captain.’ On thinking about it, Brett said he was determined to be ‘a role model to younger students’ and ‘someone who everyone can come to and ask for assistance’. Brett acknowledged that this year he will work hard to attain marks that will allow him to study Agronomy so that he can tell his father how to farm. Brett was sincere in his belief that students can succeed if they have a balanced life and have a goal to work towards.

2010 House Swimming Sports - What a great day!

Yesterday the Annual House Swimming Sports were conducted in hot, steamy and cloudy conditions. At times rain threatened and some even cooled the spectators down a little but we managed to complete all events. There was much sportsmanship displayed along with friendly rivalry between students from Young and Fraser houses. It was great to see the Fraser House ‘three quarter time’ pep talk to get the team going. Captain Brett Barker displayed much ability in the coaching area.

Many thanks to parents, grand-parents, family and friends who attended to support our students. There were many comments suggesting that the day was terrific.

Congratulations also to the staff and parents team on winning again the staff – student relay. The students always come up against some obstacles to prevent them from winning this event.

Thanks to Mr Sayle (Sports Manager) and other staff who prepared the pool and acted as officials on the day.
House Swimming Sports Results:
Fraser House won the sports by 7 points: Young House (Yellow) 425 points to Young House (Blue) 418 points.

Congratulations to individual champions:

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Three records were broken:
15-16 Year Old Boys 33m butterfly: Brenten Delaney – 26.0 secs
12-14 Year Old Girls 33 metre freestyle: Sophie Hogan 21.3 secs
15-16 Year Old Boys 66 freestyle: Brenten Delaney – 41.6 secs

The Interschool Swimming Sports are scheduled for Friday 5th March 2010 at the Birchip Pool. All age groups will be competing.

IMMUNIZATIONS
On Thursday 4th March 2010, the Buloke Shire Immunization team will visit Birchip P-12 School and provide the following immunizations:

All year 7 students
- Hepatitis B Red Card
- Chicken Pox (Varicella) Yellow Card

Year 7 Girls
- Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) Purple Card

Year 10 students
- Diphtheria, tetanus& whooping cough Green Card

Signed forms/cards were due to be returned to the school today Friday 12th February 2010 so that vaccinations can be ordered and student information loaded into the shire’s data base program.

Rip Sticks
Some students are coming to school on rip sticks.
Please ensure the safety of your child during this time along with the safety of other footpath and road users.
Once at school, I ask students to put their rip sticks away until the end of the school day.

Habits of Mind
This year we are introducing the Habits of Mind Awards to acknowledge and reward students for demonstrating mindful behaviours. Students are encouraged to nominate their peers if they observe any actions that demonstrate use of the Habits of Mind. A certificate will be awarded weekly to one of the nominated students. All students nominated for the weekly award will go in to the running for the end of year prize of an iPod touch.

‘Congratulations to Emily Hogan, this week’s Habits of Mind award winner for thinking flexibly during her role as announcer at the Birchip P-12 School inter-house swimming sports. Her enthusiasm and positive approach set the scene for an enjoyable and amusing day’

MATHS IS MARVELLOUS – YOU CAN COUNT ON IT!
Show children how you use maths in your everyday activities, e.g. measuring ingredients, estimating costs, calculating change, timing how long things take to cook, preparing shopping lists, using calibrated containers, using kitchen scales, tendering money, playing card and board games, telling time, looking for patterns in the environment, reading house numbers, reading vehicle number plates.
**DO YOU HAVE A HEALTH CARE CARD?**

**EMA payment for 2010**
The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development provide the payment of the Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) to eligible parents.

Eligible parents will have the option to receive the 50% ‘parent portion’ of the EMA payment directly into the parent’s nominated bank account, or as a cheque payment.

The 2010 EMA application form includes a section for you to nominate whether you would like your EMA payment to be made to your own bank account or to receive your payment as a cheque (which is the current arrangement). The banking details required will include the BSB code and the account number.

**Payment Amounts**

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Parents with continuing eligibility, who are paid the first instalment of 2010 through this school will not be required to complete a new application for the second instalment.

**Eligibility** - To be eligible for the EMA:
1. Your child must be under the age of sixteen; and
2. Your child must be enrolled at a primary or secondary Government or registered school in Victoria on, 26 February 2010 for the first instalment and 6 August 2010 for the second instalment; and
3. You must on 27 January 2010 for the first instalment and 12 July 2010, for the second instalment:
   - be a parent or legal guardian of the student; and
   - be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Health care card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder or
   - be a foster parent.
4. Submit your application to the school by the due date:
   - 26 February 2010 for the first instalment*
   - 6 August 2010 for the second instalment.

Please note: you only need to make a second application in August if your child changes schools between March and August.

The Pension Concession Card (PCC) or Health Care Card (HCC) is subject to electronic confirmation with Centrelink to verify that the cardholder is receiving a benefit.

Students turning 16 years in 2009 will be paid on a pro rata basis.

**EMA application forms are available from the school office.**
Grade Five and Six Homework Questions – due Friday 19th February 2010
1. Which famous English artist painted “The Hay Wain” in 1824 ?
2. What month was named in honour of Julius Caesar, after his death ?
3. Who was the first woman prime minister of Israel ?
4. Which married couple sang the hit, ‘ I Got You Babe ’ ?
5. What is the chemical symbol for nitrogen ?
6. Who helped Jesus to carry his cross, and where was he from ?
7. What is the name of the skullcap worn by Jewish males ?
8. Tuvalu is a low lying island country in which ocean ?
9. What is a somnambulist ?
10. Mutton is meat from sheep. What is chevon ?

Answers to last week’s Homework Questions
1. Agoraphobia is an abnormal fear of what? Open spaces
2. What is an Olympiad? The span of 4 years between Olympic Games.
3. During its first year what is a young hare called? Leveret
4. With which song did Olivia Newton John first make the world charts? Banks of the Ohio
5. What collective name is given to a group of oxen? Yoke
6. What is a blue swimmer? Crab
7. Which Australian writer composed the poem, The Star of Australia? Henry Lawson
8. What is a catafalque? Raised platform which supports a coffin.
9. Name the Traralgon born doctor who was awarded a Nobel Prize in 1960. Sir MacFarlane Burnet
10. An Emperor is the largest species of which bird? Penguin

English Novels & Textbooks
The following books have been bulk ordered through the school and distributed and charged to family accounts:
- Year 11 English - The Catcher In the Rye $23
- Year 9/10/11 Literature - My Brother Jack $23 (yet to arrive) and Much Ado About Nothing $16
- Years 9/10 War Files – The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas (yet to arrive)
- Health & Human Development Unit 1 / 2 text book (yet to arrive)
During the past week, all primary classes have had at least one lesson using the new cameras. The students experimented with angles, perspectives, portraiture, posing and composition to create many images of interest. Here are just a few of the great shots captured. Prep students will begin using the cameras in term 2.
Parents’ Club Meeting  
Monday 15th February 2010

The first Parents’ Club General Meeting for 2010 will be held on Monday 15th February at 7:30 p.m. in the Staff Recreation Room. All parents very welcome to attend. The agenda will include various items including the School Fete on Thursday 18th March 2010.

This year the Parents’ Club are holding a potted plants stall at the Annual School Fete. All parents are encouraged to contribute to this stall.

The Parents’ Club AGM will be held on Monday 1st March at 7:30 p.m. in the Staff Recreation Room. All parents very welcome to attend.

Ros McCallum  
Secretary Parents’ Club  
Birchip P-12 School  
50 772 218 After hours

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School Council Elections

The Birchip P-12 School consists of up to 15 members.
- 8 parent representatives
- 5 DEECD representatives including the principal
- 2 community representatives including 1 Parents’ Club representative

Each year 4 parent representatives term’s expire.  
These include: Angela Liston, Kevin Reid, Margaret O’Keefe, Leigh Hogan

Each year 2 DEECD representatives term’s expire.
These include: Eileen Smith, Merrilyn Kelly

Continuing representatives not due for re-election are:
Cameron Flowers, Louise Lee, David Smith, Wendy Watts, Andrew Sayle, Russell Christie

This year we require nominations for:
- 4 vacant parent representatives
- 2 vacant DEECD representatives

Please see Schedule 4 attached to the newsletter concerning the notice to call an election following appropriate guidelines. Nomination forms (Schedules 5A, 5B, 5C and 5D) can be obtained from John Richmond at the school.
Schedule 4: Notice of Election and Call for Nominations

An election is to be conducted for members of the School Council of Birchip P-12 School.

Nomination forms may be obtained from the school office from Monday 8th February 2010 and must be lodged by 4:00 p.m. on Monday 22nd February 2010.

If a ballot is required, the ballot will close at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday 9th March 2010.

Following the closing of nominations a list of the nominations received will be posted at the school. The terms of office, membership categories and number of positions in each membership category open for election are as follows:

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If the number of nominations is less than the number of vacancies, a notice to that effect and calling for further nominations will be posted in a prominent position at the school.

John Richmond
Principal
Birchip P-12 School

05.02.2010
**Birchip Junior Cricket**

Results from Indoor Game last Sunday - Clarke 142 defeated Ponting 109

- **Clarke**
  Harrison Christie/Sean Hogan - 51 runs
  Jake Hogan/Jacob Christie – 47 runs

- **Ponting**
  Riley Doran/Jackson Sayle – 38 runs
  Royce Bennett/Jack Lee – 36 runs
  Nick Bales/Riley Sayle – 34 runs

Current Game in progress - :Clarke made 95 runs last Saturday – Ponting to bat this week.

Umpires – Andrew Lee and Danny Lowry

Game details in next week’s newsletter.

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**Birchip Business & Learning Centre Courses & Activities**

**Water exercise classes** start Monday at 5:40 p.m.
for 6 weeks from 8th February 2010 - 15th March 2010.
$25 (plus $12 if not a pool member), Names and money must be given to BB & LC prior to start of class.

**Gentle exercise classes** at IHOM on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.
IF there is enough interest a morning aqua class could be organized for Friday.
Please express interest to BB & LC ASAP.

**Boat license course**
Sunday 28th February. 6-9pm
($85 plus $20 for pwc)
Please enroll at BB & LC

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**UPDATE BIRCHIP TELEPHONE BOOK**

The local ‘pink’ phone book is currently being updated. If you have changes to your mobile, landline, facsimile or eMail please let the BB&LC know.

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**Junior Football AGM**

**MONDAY 15TH FEBRUARY 2010 7.30PM**

**Birchip Community Leisure Centre**

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**Birchip Cricket & Tennis Club Quiz Night**

**FRIDAY 19TH FEBRUARY 2010,**
**BIRCHIP LEISURE CENTRE 7:30 P.M.**

Tables of 6, $10 per head includes hot supper, BYO table nibbles

**Names to Simone Christie or Andrew Sayle**

We are hosting the annual quiz night and we would appreciate your support.

**Quiz Night Catering List**

All Food is to be delivered to the Leisure Centre kitchen prior to 7:15 p.m. please

Please provide 2 dozen pieces of the following items:

- **Own choice:** Warrick McClelland, Emonson family, Travis Knights, Gary Living, Joshua Maloney
- **Spring Rolls:** Simone Christie, Kellie Matthews
- **Mini Dim Sims:** Mark Bowen, Goldsmith family
- **Mini Quiches:** Scott Randall, Angela Gleeson, Bernadette Smith, 
- **Mini Pizzas/Toasties:** Riley Doran, Jake Hogan, Colin Kemp, Demi Donnellon
- **Party Pies:** Sam Noonan, Simon Craig, Kerrie Walder, Bernie Orr, Jamie Lovett
- **Sausage Rolls:** Bernadette O’Donnell, Roger Blencowe, Louisa Ferrier
- **Sandwiches:** Brenten Delaney, Louise Lee

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**Birchip Tennis News**

**Pee Wee Tennis** starts tomorrow at 10:00 a.m.
Some of the club mini racquets are missing, please check at home. Bring your own racquet if you can. Contact Bernadette O’Donnell for enquiries.

A How to Coach Pee Wee coaching session will be held with Peter Bewelry tonight at 6.30pm no charge. Learn how to help your children play tennis

Contact Heather Hogan 0408 504 583 for further information.

**Friday afternoon tennis competition**

Secondary student Tennis players need to register their name at the school office for a teams competition commencing Friday 19th February 2010. Please put your name down by Tuesday 16th February.

Some tennis subs remain outstanding; please pay to Heather Hogan or via Julie Coffey at the school office.
Birchip Watchem Netball Club
AGM & GM
Tuesday 16th February 2010
7:30 p.m.
Birchip Community Leisure Centre
All persons / families who intend on playing or their child playing during the 2010 season are strongly urged to attend.

MEALS AT THE LEISURE CENTRE TONIGHT
Cheap food, Members Bonus complimentary drink to those financial members and those renewing their membership ($30) on the night. Fish, steak, lasagne, chips, salad Free soft drink with kids meal.

BIRCHIP SWIMMING POOL
FAMILY FUN DAY
To be held at the Birchip Swimming Pool
Sunday 14th February at 3pm
This is a free program with novelty events for everyone and a Barbecue tea to follow.
Everyone welcome
Contact Paul Fernee on 1300 520 520 for further details

Private Property
Private property brought to school by students is not insured and the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development does not accept any responsibility for any loss or damage. Personal property is often brought to school by students, staff and visitors. This can include mobile phones, iPods, calculators, toys, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises. The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and it will generally not pay for any loss or damage to such property.

Year 7 Spelling
Common mistake words
- does
- doesn't
- occur
- embarrassing
- accommodation
- exciting
- machine
- argument
- marvellous
- assignment
- stories

Please name ALL clothing, books and other belongings
Please check that all your sons and daughters belongings are clearly labelled. We frequently find books, jumpers and other items (primary and secondary) without any identifying marks or name on them.

Art Smocks & Library Bags
All P-6 students require an art smock and library bag as soon as possible.
Correct lunch order list for start of 2010

GEORGIE’S CAFE LUNCH ORDER  
Prices from 5th October 2009

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Parents Please provide a large paper bag with the order printed on it.  
**Note a 20c charge will apply for Orders not on paper bags**

Please specify **Bakers** on the order for their products otherwise gillies products will be provided.  
**No Glass Bottles** will be supplied.  
Thankyou
Car parking and using the school crossing

Students, staff and parents are requested to follow the diagram below. Please use the crossing near the bus shelter rather than walk across the road anywhere. It is important that we are safe around cars and buses.

Parents are requested to park around and under the tree or along Fraser Street and again use the crossings as indicted in the diagram.

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**Homework!**

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All Years - 15 minutes reading a day!
Students started the semester learning about the global warming issues through different forms of media to develop an understanding of the issue. We came up with the following definition: “Warming of the globe, which is a result of an increase of greenhouse gas emissions due to human impacts”

To model the Greenhouse Effect students built greenhouses and recorded the temperature in various conditions. Throughout the activity students practised and identified the following habits of mind: Striving for accuracy, when recording temperatures and graphing the results, creating imagining and innovating, when constructing our greenhouses.

Students have also put together a display on the wall of room 13 representing the greenhouse effect. Students discussed and designed their display and worked as a team when putting it together.