**Forthcoming Events**

**March**
- Tuesday 1\textsuperscript{st}: Year 11 & 12 Wimmera Field Days
- Thursday 3\textsuperscript{rd}: Year 7 & 10 Immunisations
- Friday 4\textsuperscript{th}: Flight students - Avalon Air Show
- Monday 7\textsuperscript{th}: Parents’ Club Meeting 7.30pm
  VCE Information Evening - 7.30pm
- Monday 7\textsuperscript{th} → Thursday 10\textsuperscript{th}: Year 7 Halls Gap Camp
- Monday 7\textsuperscript{th} → Thursday 10\textsuperscript{th}: P6 Cultural Performance
- Friday 11\textsuperscript{th}: Year 12 Theatre Studies excursion to Ballarat
- Monday 14\textsuperscript{th}: Labour Day Holiday
- Tuesday 15\textsuperscript{th}: Physical Resources Meeting 8pm
- **Thursday 17\textsuperscript{th}:** St Patrick’s Day FETE School starts from 11am - 5.30pm. Fete commences 5.30pm
- Monday 21\textsuperscript{st}: LM Zone Swimming Carnival Swan Hill
- Thursday 24\textsuperscript{th}: School Council 8pm
- Friday 25\textsuperscript{th}: Primary Summer Sports - St Arnaud
- Monday 28\textsuperscript{th}: Questacon For Years 8→11

**April**
- Monday 4\textsuperscript{th}: House Athletics Field Events
- Tuesday 5\textsuperscript{th}: Healthy Living Expo for years 9&10
- Wednesday 6\textsuperscript{th}: House Athletics Track Events
- Friday 8\textsuperscript{th}: Debutante Ball
  Last Day of term 1 - 2.30 pm finish
- Wednesday 27\textsuperscript{th}: First Day Term 2
- Friday 29\textsuperscript{th}: North Central Secondary Athletics - Charlton

**May**
- Monday 2\textsuperscript{nd} → Year 9 Advance Activity
- Friday 6\textsuperscript{th}
- Monday 2\textsuperscript{nd} → Year 10 Work Experience
- Friday 6\textsuperscript{th}
- Thursday 5\textsuperscript{th} → Immunisations for Year 7 Girls
- Tuesday 10\textsuperscript{th} → NAPLAN Testing 3, 5, 7, 9
- Thursday 12\textsuperscript{th}
- Tuesday 10\textsuperscript{th}: Physical Resources Meeting
- Wednesday 11\textsuperscript{th} → Grade 6 Maldon Camp
- Friday 13\textsuperscript{th}
- Thursday 12\textsuperscript{th}: Secondary House Cross Country

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**Farewell & good luck Miss Stacey Hicks**

Miss Hicks has been working on work experience placements and follow ups along with preparing exciting curriculum materials for various English teachers. Today is Miss Hicks’s last day with us as she will be taking leave for the remainder of the year. We wish Miss Hicks all the very best as she and Joel await the birth of their child.

**North Central Interschool Swimming Sports**

Students and staff were excited to be taking part in their first official event in the North Central Secondary Sports Association; the Inter school swimming carnival at St Arnaud on Tuesday, 21\textsuperscript{st} February 2011.

Although the morning was a little chilly, this did not hamper our students’ endeavour as all students gave their best throughout the day. With eight schools being in the North Central competition, winning an event was a real achievement.

The following students managed to win their respective races:

- Jacob Christie – Boys 15yrs Butterfly
Brenten Delaney – Boys 18-20yrs Butterfly, Boys (A) 17yrs Freestyle
Georgia Lee – Girls (C) 12-13yrs Freestyle
Tim Walder – Boys (C) 18-20yrs Freestyle, Boys 18-20yrs Backstroke
Josh Phelan – Boys (B) 12-13yrs Freestyle
Tahlia Noonan – Girls (B) 12-13yrs Freestyle
Marnie Lehmann – Girls (B) 15yrs Freestyle
Jake Hogan – Boys (B) 17yrs Freestyle
Claudia Lee – Girls (A) 14yrs Freestyle

Our relay teams also performed exceptionally well and we managed success in the 12-13yrs Girls and the 17yrs Boys teams.

Brenten Delaney was the school’s only individual champion, winning the Boys 17yrs age group amongst some strong opposition.

The competition for the school trophy was keenly contested and the lead changed hands often throughout the day between Birchip and Boort. However, the final tally saw Boort win by a slim margin of 7 points. In the standardized aggregated, Birchip came second to Wycheproof.

Overall, it was a most successful day for our first venture into the North Central Association and our students really enjoyed a different competition and renewing old acquaintances. We look forward to our next interschool sports meet, the athletics at Charlton, with some excitement.

Thank you to Mr Travis Knights for his organization of our team and the many parents who travelled to St Arnaud to cheer our team on throughout the day.

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**VCE INFORMATION EVENING**

Monday 7 March 2011 commencing at 7:30 p.m.

Mr Russell Christie, Later Years Manager, will conduct a VCE Information Evening on Monday 7th March 2011 commencing at 7:30 p.m.

The information evening is for all parents and students in years 10, 11 and 12 who are currently enrolled in a VCE course.

The meeting will take place in Learning Studios 11 & 12.

Students and parents are urged to attend this meeting to hear about rules and regulations of VCE along with new changes and expectations.

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**Fijian Culture**

Year 2 student, Talei Brooks spoke to her class about Fijian culture and showed her class the authentic Fijian cloth called the Tapa. Tapa is made from the bark of the Yasi tree which is only grown on the small Fijian island of Beqa. The cloth is made by village elders by beating the bark and then soaking it for three months. After soaking, it is left to dry on sand for three weeks and then treated in oil. The elders burn traditional wood called Wesi and Yaka to add colour to the Tapa.

Tapa is special because it is only made for special occasions like weddings, birth and special birthdays. The Tapa that Talei is wearing is special because it originally belonged to her uncle and was given to her mum to bring to Australia.

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**VCAL students support the Buloke Shire Family Fun Day in Charlton**

Yesterday the VCAL students spent the morning making fifty litres of coleslaw. They cheerfully prepared cabbages, carrots, capsicum and celery and mixed in litres of mayonnaise. The students will travel to Charlton tonight to help with the BBQ. Part of the personal development strand requires the students to organise an activity with a community development focus.

Answering the call for volunteers and providing assistance to Charlton seemed a very appropriate way to begin the years VCAL program.

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Brady Milne and Megan Naylor working their way though a bench full of cabbages
ADVANCE

Year 9 students are enthusiastic about their activity program which is coordinated by Rhonda Allan, Project Officer, Mallee Sports Assembly. This week, dietician Kate Finnegan spoke to the boys and girls separately about what it means to be healthy, how to eat well in order to gain maximum fitness and well being and how to have a healthy body image. Students discussed nutrition necessary for sport, alertness and generally feeling good about themselves.

There was much discussion on what makes a healthy lunch as some students have chips and pies for lunch. However, they were amazed to find out that a meat pie and hot chips contains fourteen teaspoons of fat and a packet of chips contains four and a half teaspoons. Meanwhile, a sandwich with butter contains one. Some students like Mars Bars but these sweet snacks contain eight teaspoons of sugar and three of fat. While muesli bars purport to be ‘natural’ and ‘healthy’ they contain on average two teaspoons of both fat and sugar- fruit would be a much healthier alternative. Many students like to drink water throughout the day and realised that a soft drink like Coca Cola contains nine teaspoons of sugar. All these sugar and fat-laden foods add weight and cholesterol to our bodies while at the same time increasing the risk of diabetes.

The second part of the morning was learning how to make and cook pasta with Nuccia McLean. The students enjoyed the tactile experience of mixing and kneading the flour with the water and producing a healthy meal without any additives.

IMMUNIZATIONS

On Thursday 3rd March 2011, the Buloke Shire Immunization team will visit Birchip P-12 School and provide the following immunizations:

- All year 7 students: Hepatitis B, Red Card
- All Year 7 students: Chicken Pox (Varicella), Yellow Card
- Year 7 Girls: Human Papilloma Virus (HPV), Purple Card & Flyer
- Year 10 students: Diphtheria, tetanus & whooping cough, Green Card

MATHS IS MARVELLOUS - YOU CAN COUNT ON IT!

Play “Memory” or “Go Fish” with various cards. Look at the doubles made and count the cards by twos. Change the rules to win by having the ‘tricks’ add up to 10.

HINAMATSURI - Girls day

Hinamatsuri is a 'Dolls' Festival' for girls in Japan. It is on the 3rd March every year. We will have a celebration again at school. Primary GIRLS will be able to dress up and bring their favourite doll on the day. Konpeito, the Japanese lolly, will be provided to all students (including boys).

Konpeito Time

Date: Thursday 3rd March
Time: Recess
Venue: Quadrangle

WANTED:

Shoe boxes.
No lids necessary.
Please bring to Miss Arnott's class.
North Central Swimming Sports
St Arnaud
22nd February, 2011
Brenten Delaney
NCAA 17 year old Boys Champion,
Brenten Delaney
Year 11 Work Experience

Last week our enthusiastic Year 11 students ventured around the state to undertake a week’s work experience. We received a lot of wonderful feedback from the employers crediting many of the students’ skills and positive attitudes. Here are some of the reports from the students about their week out in the working world.

Claire Boyle – Myer Buying Office

For work experience I went to the Myer Buying Office. I worked in the women’s fashion department. The Myer Buying Office is in Docklands. The week I was there many of the buyers had only just returned from their overseas buying trip and there were others just about to leave.

The clothes I was meant to be working with had not arrived from customs yet so I ordered old Myer and competitor catalogues and then went through the clothes that had been returned from the shoot to see what was returned and what wasn’t. For the first two days I worked with the PIPER team. I tagged all the samples that had been brought back from overseas, scribed for the QA lady while she photographed and fitted the samples, cut out pieces of fabric from the samples to be sent to factories for colour lab dips and started the style files.

On Wednesday I worked with the designer buying team. The buyer was just about to go overseas to view the Autumn Winter collections so I made up a folder of photos and order sheets of all the clothes she’d already brought from the designer’s pre-collections, including Moschino, Aurelio Costarella, DKNY, McQ, Manning Cartell, NF by Nicola Finetti, Narciso Rodriguez and Temperley. I then started the buying sheets for the buyer when she goes overseas. After this I updated the files for the Australian designers adding all their new collections.

On Thursday I worked with the Urbane team, who are also the PIPER team, doing fabric swatches for lab dips, scribing for the QA in fittings and matching CADs with BMWs to make sure that the orders were right. I also worked in swimwear with Regatta and Cozi, tagging and photographing all the samples. Then the assistant showed me next seasons Cozi range and asked my opinions because it was for demographic. She also explained how the design process works and how they decide which things are sent to different stores and how many of each style is ordered.

On the Friday I worked with BIB and Basque making colour swatches for lab dips and I sat in on part of a fitting with a buyer and saw what changes were going to be made to the samples.

I really enjoyed my work experience and learnt a lot about how Myer’s own brands are designed, made and about how different stores get different products depending on their size, location and weather.

I don’t think I could work in the buying sector of Myer as I don’t think I have the eye for colour or the ability to buy clothes for someone else to wear. All the buyers are also very busy as they travel overseas three times a year, but I would like to work in their legal department where I would not have to be so creative and there would not be so much pressure.

Ethan Cooper – Gisborne PC World

For work experience I went to Gisborne PC World in Riddle’s Creek. The first task I was given was vacuuming the building and polishing the windows. At this point I thought the rest of my week would be more about cleaning than computers. After cleaning, work experience began to look up as I was given my first task involving computers. I had to repair an Aspire Netbook that had been consumed by over twenty five million trogons and worms. This may sound like a momentous task but it’s fairly basic. I had to alter msconfig and regedit to disable the viruses. Then I had to run multiple security, malware and registry programs to permanently remove the viruses. I then went on to replace a power supply in a desktop that shorted in a power surge. This concluded my first day of work experience.

When I arrived on Tuesday the benches were full and I was on my feet all day. The majority of the computers had minor viruses and didn’t take long to fix. I also got to replace a motherboard and repair a motherboard by re soldering the pins on the CPU. I saw a computer heat to the extent where the hard drives melted and the GPU blew up.

I didn’t work on Wednesday for Wednesday is paperwork day and due to the owner being sick they were three and a half months behind.
The following day was very similar to the previous days; I worked on computers with viruses and PCs affected by power surges.

Friday I had to build a custom built computer that a customer had ordered. They spent a total of sixteen thousand dollars to buy the best technology. The desktop contained dual Radeon Ati 6970s, an Intel i7 extreme 980x, 4 terrabytes of internal storage and thirty two gigabytes of internal memory.

Overall I had a great time at work experience and wish to pursue a career in this field. I would like to thank Kameal and the staff at Gisborne PC World for having me, Miss Hicks and Mum for organising it.

Sarah Watts – Spectrum Migrant Resource Centre

Last week for work experience I went to Spectrum Migrant Resource Centre in Preston. This is an organisation establish to cater for the needs of newly arrived and established migrants and refugees. Their aim is to ensure that new migrants and refugees to Australia feel comfortable, understand important information, are able to reach their full potential and help with settlement and integration needs.

On Monday, I helped out with a sewing group for elderly women from Somalia. The main purpose was for them to socialise and learn a new skill, but unfortunately it was cancelled. So, I spent the day helping out at reception, as well as watching a few short DVDs about some of the programs run by Spectrum for migrant groups.

Tuesday involved going to multiple meetings, observing client consultations and helping with a dance class for people who had a disability.

On Wednesday I got a tour around some of the other Spectrum offices and then helped out with a homework group for African children in primary and secondary school.

I went to an elderly Italian group on Thursday which involved the elderly people making crafts and having a traditional Italian meal. I then went to Basketball practise for African people.

On Friday I observed consultations with multiple clients and helped to assist them with whatever they needed help in.

Overall I enjoyed my time at Spectrum. I wouldn’t mind working in this field but I’m not completely sure about what I want to do when I’m older.

Bridgette Hogan – String Theory Creative

This year for work experience, I went to a creative agency called String Theory Creative. It is a small business, located in South Melbourne, which was set up in 2001 by my cousin Matt O’Donnell and co-founder Steve Paix. They produce advertising and media for many high profile clients including the Victorian State Government, ABC Television and Radio, Cricket Australia, Beyond Blue and Youth Beyond Blue and Skybus.

Matt and Steve also create pieces of music for television and radio in their recording studio, where voiceovers are also recorded and edited. During my time at String Theory, I worked on a Skybus tourism promo video and a television ad for this year’s Melbourne Comedy Festival. This included filming a TVC sketch on location at the Palais Theatre and painting props for the real filming on the next Monday. For the real shoot a camera, costing $3,000 for the day’s hire and $90,000 to buy, was used. The ad should be on TV on Channel 10 by the end of March so look out for it.

Overall I thought the experience was awesome, relaxed and very interesting. I worked with really friendly and creative people, who although pretty busy, always made sure I was happy and had something to do.

Many aspects of this job really appeal to me as possible options for work in the future.
Emily Smith

Emily returned to school today after being immersed in the world of golf for ten days. Emily’s work experience placement was at Huntingdale Golf Club where she is a scholarship holder. Emily spent the week working behind the scenes in the pro shop and thoroughly enjoyed the experience. This week Emily competed in the Women’s Golf Victoria 72 Hole Strokeplay Championship held at Heidelberg Golf Club. Emily played her way into the final two days by winning the first 36 hole nett event. While Emily did not finish the tournament how she would have liked, it was a fantastic experience and brought her handicap down to a credible 6.

Shake Rattle & READ

What: Read Aloud and Rhyme-time demonstrations and activities
Where: Birchip P-12 School Community Library
When: Fortnightly on Thursdays
3rd March 2011
17th March 2011 - starts at 11:00 a.m. (school fete)
31st March 2011
7th April 2011
10:00 a.m. for all ages
Why:
- add to your existing storytelling skills
- learn rhymes & chants for 2011
- stimulate brain development
- borrow books from the library
- socialize with other babies and parents

If you know someone with a child aged 0 – 5 in the area please invite them to come along with their child.

For more information contact either Diona Cooper or Kaylene James at the Library on 54 922 230

Birchip P-12 School, 2011 School Council Elections

Parent representatives
Nominations received for the 4 vacant parent representatives of school council:

Cameron Flowers
David Smith
Louise Lee
Wendy Watts

There being no further nominations, I declare these four people named above duly elected to the Birchip P-12 School, School Council for a period of 2 years.

DEECD employee representatives
Nominations received for the 2 vacant DEECD employee representatives of school council:

Julie Coffey
Andrew Sayle

There being no further nominations, I declare these two people named above duly elected to the Birchip P-12 School, School Council for a period of 2 years.

John Richmond
PRINCIPAL
Birchip P-12 School
21.02.2011
Birchip P-12 School
2011 Student Board

In past years the SRC has been the student voice at the Birchip P-12 School. This year, a ‘Student Board’ will take its place. The idea of the ‘Student Board’ is to increase the student voice in decision making within the school. It is proposed that the school board will involve itself with various issues including school curriculum, student activities, day to day planning and the strategic directions of the school.

The student board will consist of ten(10) members. The aim will be to have representation across all secondary year levels. The two School Captains will also sit on the Student Board.

There must be at least one student from Years 7 & 8, at least one student from Years 9 & 10 and at least one student from Years 11 & 12.

Nominations for the Student Board close on Wednesday 2 March 2011 at 1:00 p.m. Nomination forms should be lodged with the principal.

Should there be more nominations than the composition of the Student Board, then a ballot will be held.

Nomination forms are below.

John Richmond
PRINCIPAL
Birchip P-12 School

Birchip P-12 School
2011 Student Board – Nomination Form

I wish to nominate to be a member of the Birchip P-12 School, Student Board for 2011.

Name: .................................

Year Level: .............................

Signature: .............................
WEEKLY QUIZ QUESTIONS
Last week’s answers – Round #3:

1. man using an angle grinder
2. Blue Mountains
3. Facebook
4. Lake Eyre
5. South Africa
6. United Kingdom
7. Chile
8. Dengue fever
9. Qantas
10. Carbon Tax
11. Small crashed on street
12. Switzerland
13. Rugby League
14. Black Saturday
15. Nile River
16. Perth
17. New South Wales
18. Egypt
19. Sweden
20. Superbowl

Weekly Quiz

21/02/11

1. Australians have been advised not to travel to which country in the Middle East, due to large anti-government protests?
   a. Jordan
   b. Kuwait
   c. Bahrain

2. Name the cyclone that has affected coastal areas of the Northern Territory.

3. An Australian was one of those who drowned when a tourist boat sank in waters off which country?
   a. Vietnam
   b. New Zealand
   c. Fiji

4. There are major concerns about the health of Steve Jobs. Which technology company does he control?
   a. Apple
   b. Microsoft
   c. Google

5. Why were people nervous about swimming at the Mt Isa Aquatic Centre last week?
   a. high levels of bacteria were found
   b. the world’s tallest diving board has been installed there
   c. a crocodile was discovered there.

6. An orphan who survived the Christmas Island refugee tragedy will no longer be kept in a detention centre and may stay in Australia. What country is he from?
   a. India
   b. Iran
   c. Indonesia

7. Who has been announced as Prince William’s ‘Best Man’ for the Royal Wedding in April?

8. What Western Australian town is being affected by major flooding for the second time since December?
   a. Esperance
   b. Carnarvon
   c. Albany

9. In which state did a shark attack a diver last week?

10. Frank McGuire won a by-election to win the Broadmeadows seat in the Victorian Parliament. What is the name of his perhaps more famous brother?

11. The Super 15 competition began on the weekend. What sport is played in this competition?

12. What country has the largest area in South America?
   a. Brazil
   b. Argentina
   c. Colombia

13. The most successful cyclist in the history of the Tour De France has announced his retirement. What is his name?

14. Which famous band were Paul McCartney and John Lennon part of?

15. What was discovered in a Sydney toy vending machine last week?
   a. a tiger snake
   b. a boy
   c. packets of cigarettes
Weekly Quiz - Visual

1. This photo was taken at the Opening Ceremony of what event?

2. Brian McFadden has been in the news for his behaviour on a recent flight. What is his wife’s name?

3. Name Australia’s Foreign Minister depicted in this cartoon.

4. Who arrived at the Grammy Awards in this unusual way?

5. Which country has stopped its activities in the Southern Ocean due to interference by protest boats?
Last Call For EMA
Monday 28th February is the last day for application
Late applications cannot be accepted

Education Maintenance Allowance information for the school newsletter

Information for 2011
The Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) is provided to assist eligible families with the costs associated with the education of their children.

To be eligible for receipt of the EMA you must:

- be either a parent or guardian of a primary or secondary school student up to the age of sixteen; and
- be an eligible beneficiary of a Centrelink pension, allowance or benefit within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004 or be a Veterans Affairs (TPI) pensioner or be a foster parent.

Consequently parents/guardians are able to access the EMA if they have a valid Health Care Card or valid Pension Card.

The eligibility criteria must be met as at the first day of Term 1 [1 February 2011] and Term 3 [18 July 2011].

The EMA application must be submitted to the school by 28 February 2011 for the first instalment and 5 August 2011 for the second instalment. Late applications cannot be accepted.

The EMA provides an annual amount of $230.00 for primary students and $460.00 for secondary students and is paid in two instalments. This amount is split evenly between the parents/guardians and the school. Students turning 16 years in 2011 will be paid on a pro rata basis.

Payment Amounts

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*Student year level (or age for ungraded and special school students) will form the basis for calculating the amount payable to parents and schools.

Parents with continuing eligibility, who are paid the first instalment of 2011 through this school will not be required to complete a new application for the second instalment. Parents who transfer children to another school after 28 February 2011 and prior to or on 5 August 2011, must reapply at the new school for the second instalment.

Contact: School Office for application form and further information.
Register now at the Birchip Business and Learning Centre
77 Cumming Avenue
Birchip
email birchipblc@bigpond.com or phone 5492 2735

**Help for Charlton**

The Birchip Business and Learning Centre is coordinating the BBQ for the Buloke Shire Family Fun Day to be held in Charlton on Friday 25th February 2011. If anyone is able to donate coleslaw, tomato or lettuce, can they please let Simone Christie know. Workers will be needed to cook and sell the food between 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. on the night. All help would be greatly appreciated by the Charlton community. All profits from the BBQ will stay within the Charlton community.

Please contact Simone on 54 922 735 or email birchipblc@bigpond.com if you can assist.

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**Birchip Tennis**

Birchip plays St Arnaud away, team to leave the cafe at midday.

Colin Kemp, Ian Smith, Brendan Gleeson, Jake Gleeson, Curtis Smith, Julie Coffey, Eileen Smith, Fiona Best, Laura and Louise Lee, Kellie Matthews, Bern O’Donnell, Mikaela Christie, Jenny Goldsmith

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**Junior Netball Players**

Girls interested in attending the Wimmera Mallee Region Junior Development skills Camp or Junior Level 1 Umpires in Nhill on 11th & 12th April 2011 should see Mrs Julie Coffey for an application form. Cost is $125.

**Junior Development Skills for players - 60 places available.**

A two day intensive camp where players develop their netball skills under the supervision of Northern Zone Academy coach who will be working with WMNR coaches. This is ideal for any player aged between 14-16 years (must turn 14 by 31.12.2011) who want to improve their game to the maximum.

**Junior Level 1 Umpires - 20 places available.**

All Australian accredited course. Pre-requisite for C Grade testing & valid for six years. Will suit Year 7 & onwards students. Umpires must be motivated & show interest & commitment to umpiring.

Meals will be available at the Leisure Centre on Friday 4th March. Hot roast meat and salads. Kids meals available

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**Homework!**

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Reading 30 minutes daily
Class homework as handed out |                |
| 5         | Class   | Mrs Emonson      | Revise all tables
Weekly quiz                                      | 4th March      |
| 6         | Class   | Mr Welton        | General Knowledge questions
List words
70s project                                        | 4th March      
Ongoing
9th March |
| 7         | English | Hicks/Smith      | Finish rough draft of short story                                      | 1st March      |
| 8         | History | Miss Wright      | Be up to date with homework                                            | 1st March      |
| 9/10      | English | Miss Wright      | Up to date with grammar/spelling exercises                             | 28th Feb.      |
| 11        | Accounting | Mr Knights     | Review questions 3.8                                                  | 1st March      |
| 12        | PE      | Mr Sayle         | Chapter review questions                                               | 28th Feb.      |
| 12        | English | Mrs Smith        | Warne language analysis                                                | 28th Feb.      |

**All Years - 15 minutes reading a day!**
The annual meeting of the Birchip Watchem Junior Football Club was held on Wednesday night.

At the meeting the following people were elected to positions of responsibility.

President: Russell Christie
Vice President: Laurie Sands
Secretary: Leon and Noeline Hogan
Under 16 Team Manager: Andrew Sayle.
Under 16 trainer: Wendy Buteux and Brenda Doran
Under 13 scribe for paper report: Gill Sands

Positions still to be filled include: under 13 team manager, under 16 scribe.

Families willing to take on roles for the year such as time keeper, goal umpire or interchange steward.

If you can help in any of these roles please do not hesitate to contact Russell or Laurie.

Once again the roster system for players and boundary, water boy etc., will occur. A roster will be distributed prior to the season.

Under 16 training will begin soon.
There have been several cases of head lice reported. Please check carefully for lice or nits and if found, treat immediately. Once treated students may return to school. It is not unusual for a parent to treat a child in the morning and have them back at school by 10.00 a.m.

In order to break the cycle, heads should be treated again in exactly seven days to completely break the lice breeding cycle. Secondary students are not immune and should be checked frequently. Thank you to those parents who notify us at school and alert us to the severity of the problem.
The Year 7 students were asked to explain how Julia Gillard, the Australian Prime Minister, demonstrates some of the Habits of Mind. Here is a selection of some of their responses.

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<td>She needs to work co-operatively with her party members in meetings. She also has to work with other state leaders when dealing with natural disasters.</td>
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<td>Applying Past Knowledge</td>
<td>She learns from her mistakes and thinks about what worked and didn’t work for other prime ministers. She would also use skills that she learnt as Deputy Prime Minister to help her in her job as Prime Minister.</td>
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<td>Striving for Accuracy</td>
<td>During the election campaign. She tries to make decisions on behalf of the whole nation that will keep everyone happy.</td>
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<td>Thinking &amp; Communicating with Clarity and Precision</td>
<td>When she makes speeches or is being interviewed she needs to speak in a way that everyone can understand. She speaks slowly.</td>
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<td>Continuous Learning</td>
<td>She has to keep an open mind. She needs to listen and learn from experts when making decisions. Learns through making mistakes. She listens to people she meets to learn more about our country and the problems we have.</td>
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<td>Creating, Imagining &amp; Innovating</td>
<td>Needs to be creative and innovative when she creates new policies and regulations.</td>
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<td>Finding Humour</td>
<td>She finds humour when people ask her about her football team.</td>
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<td>Asks questions and poses problems to the opposition in parliament.</td>
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<td>She went to see people affected by the floods and cyclones to try and understand their situation.</td>
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