**Forthcoming Events**

**June**
- **Monday 6th**: Early dismissal from school - 2pm due to Staff Professional Development
- **Wednesday 8th**: Australian Science Competition
- **Thursday 9th**: Prep, 1&2 excursion to ScienceWorks Melb. Loddon Mallee Region Secondary Cross Country - St. Arnaud
- **Friday 10th**: Report Writing Day - pupil free day
- **Monday 13th**: Queen’s Birthday holiday
- **Tuesday 14th**: VCE examinations - Chemistry
- **Wednesday 15th**: VCE examination - Chemistry
- **Thursday 16th**: VCE GAT examination
- **Friday 17th**: Primary Winter Sports - Grade 5&6
- **Monday 20th**: Years 9, 10 & 11 examinations
- **Tuesday 21st**: Years 9, 10 & 11 examinations Cyber Safety Talk - Susan McLean
- **Thursday 23rd**: Years 9, 10 & 11 examinations
- **Friday 24th**: Years 9, 10 & 11 examinations
- **Tuesday 28th**: VCE Biology trip to Ballarat
- **Wednesday 29th**: Outdoor Education overnight to Grampians
- **Thursday 30th**: Years 10&11 Careers Expo - Horsham

**July**
- **Friday 1st**: Last Day Term 2 - 2.30pm finish. Reports distributed at 2:25pm at Home Group Assembly Japan Fundraising Day
- **Thursday 7th**: BCG Ag Expo
- **Monday 18th**: First day of Term Three
- **Monday 18th**: Year 9 Rubicon Camp
- **Friday 22nd**: Year 10 & 11 Melbourne Camp
- **Monday 18th**: Making Music Week including performance
- **Friday 22nd**: from 4:00 - 6:00 pm

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**Only four weeks left of this term prior to the mid-year break!**

VCE examinations are just one week away. Students have examinations in Biology, Physics & Chemistry along with the GAT test. I trust our students are spending the appropriate amount of time preparing well for these examinations. Year 9, 10 & 11 students will then get to taste their mid-year examinations.

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**Monday – early finish**

Due to a regional professional development activity in Stawell on Monday 6 June 2011, school will conclude at 2:00 p.m. School buses will run approximately 1½ hours earlier than their usual times.

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**BLACK RANGES DIVISION PRIMARY CROSS COUNTRY – LAKE BOLAC – MONDAY 6 JUNE 2011**

Good luck to Caitlin Bidstrup, Olivia Rickard, Cloe Robinson, Rosie Hogan, Will Sheahan, Lachlan Braine, Bill Lee, Joseph Reid, Jesse Kemp, Sarah Botheras, Jessica Bidstrup, Tom Hogan and James Paley who will compete at Lake Bolac in the next stage of the primary Cross Country event on Monday.
Congratulations Mikaela

The school congratulates Year 12 student, Mikaela Christie on being awarded the VCE Achiever Award for the month by the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority. The award recognises Mikaela’s energetic community involvement, her ability to work in a team, her organisational skills and the way that she has shown initiative over a long period of time.

Mikaela thoroughly deserves her award because as a student she sets high goals for herself and works methodically to achieve them. Mikaela's strengths are that she is reflective in her thinking, is never content with mediocrity and always asks how she can improve her work. Mikaela is an extremely organised student who in Year 11 combined studying two Unit 3&4 VCE units with being president of the local youth group and playing, coaching and umpiring netball and hockey.

Small communities cannot survive without people putting up their hands to volunteer and Mikaela is one such person. She has been a Student Council representative for four years and has been the student representative on the School Council's Physical Resources sub-committee for two years. In this role, Mikaela was responsible for passing on the students' ideas to School Council. In 2009 and 2010 she was awarded the Year 10 and Year 11 Australian Defence Force teamwork and leadership award and in 2007 and 2010 she was awarded the Birchip P-12 School Lions Club Citizenship award for her outstanding contribution to her local community. Apart from being active in school life, Mikaela can always be relied upon to work in less glamorous areas like manning barbecues, waitressing and cleaning up after community functions.

Mikaela is well-respected by staff and students alike and was this year elected by both these groups as School Captain. Mikaela takes part in all school sporting activities: cross country, athletics, swimming, tennis and hockey; and she positively encourages others to take an active role in these activities.

While Mikaela studies hard, she has a very rounded life. She plays hockey, netball and tennis for her local community. Mikaela has also taken a very active role within our small town and has been the president of the local Youth Group for many years. In this role she has organised many Freezer functions and activities for its youth. These activities have been really appreciated by the local teenagers as without them, most would be at a loss on the weekend.

Mikaela is a very competent public speaker and was last year's Lions Club Youth of the Year winner. She won this award for not only her ability to think and respond quickly to questions posed by the panel but for the extensive community work she willingly undertakes.

It is an outstanding achievement and Mikaela should be very proud of her efforts as she has given countless hours to working for the community. The VCE Achiever Award is significant as there are thousands of students studying VCE in the state.

Mikaela is the daughter of Simone and Russell Christie.

Japan Fundraising Day

The Student Board is organizing a fundraising day for Japan. It will be held on the last day of term Friday 1 July 2011. There will be about six activities with groups of students rotating through these activities.

Year 12 students and Student Board will co-ordinate the activities with staff overseeing each activity.

Hospitality students will be catering for the Japanese luncheon.

There will be NO classes during periods 3 & 4 so that activities can proceed.

BCG EXPO – PLANNING

The BCG Expo day will be held on Thursday 8 July 2011 during the first week of the holidays.

A parent roster is being drawn up at present. This will be mailed home to all families in the next couple of weeks. Please keep this date free.

Many parents will be rostered on, on this day. The day is an excellent money raiser for the school.

France & Belgium Trip

Mr Cameron Whelan and Mrs Eileen Smith will hold an information evening at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday 8 June 2011 to further discuss the trip. Students going on the trip and their parents are urged to attend this meeting.
Winter Uniform

I have noticed a few students not wearing correct school uniform. There are some different coloured tops and pants being worn by some students in years P → 12. I have listed the Official School Council specified school uniform below for parents and students to check what they currently wear. School Uniform is compulsory for students in years prep → 12. Please ensure your child leaves home in the correct school uniform.

P - 6 Winter Uniform

**Boys:**
- White polo shirt
- Grey trousers or grey shorts or dark green trackpants
- Navy blue windcheater or fleecy top.
- Black or white socks
- Black shoes
- P6 students may wear sneakers

**Girls:**
- White polo shirt
- Green tailored slacks or dark green trackpants.
- Navy blue windcheater or fleecy top.
- Plain white socks
- Brown or black shoes
- P6 students may wear sneakers

7 - 12 Winter Uniform

**Boys:**
- Navy jumper with collar and school logo
- White *tailored* shirt with *stiff collar*
- School tie
- Grey trousers or grey shorts
- Black socks
- Black shoes

**Girls:**
- Navy jumper with collar and school logo
- White *tailored* shirt with *stiff collar*
- School tie
- Green tartan skirt or green *tailored* slacks
- Plain white socks or navy tights
- Brown or black shoes

Cyber Safety Student Talks - Tuesday 21st July 2011

Susan McLean will visit our school on Tuesday 21st July 2011 to deliver Cyber Safety talks to students and teachers.

In the evening, the parent and teacher talk will be delivered at the Birchip Community Leisure Centre.

There will be hot finger food provided.

All parents are strongly urged to attend this most informative talk.

**Schedule:**
- 09:30am – 12:45pm Grade 5 & 6 students
- 11:05am – 12:45pm Years 7 & 8 students
- 01:45pm – 03:25pm Years 9, 10 & 11 students
- 07:00pm – 08:30pm Parents and teachers at Birchip Community Leisure Centre

Making Music

Monday 18 – Friday 22 July 2011

Jane Thompson & James Rigby – musicians will enthuse our children with making music, writing music, playing music and enjoying music during the first week of term three.

Mrs Andrea Phelan will organize the week’s schedule.

There will be six sessions per day: Grades P&1, Grades 1&2, Grades 3&4, Grades 4&5, Grades 6, Years 7&8

There will be an evening performance from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. to highlight and showcase the skills and talents acquired by the children during the week.

Parents and friends will be warmly welcome to attend and join the celebration of music.

The activity will take place in the stadium.

Art Display

Due to various hold-ups with the refurbishment project, this evening will also be an opportunity to showcase the school’s art, crafts and other displayables.

Art displays and student work will be on display on the walls of the stadium during this event so that parents and community members can view the displays.
**School Nurse Visit**

Kerrie McCosh, primary school nurse, will be visiting our school in the coming months. The purpose of this visit is to undertake health assessments and discuss health concerns that parents and/or teachers may have with their children/students.

**Prep Health Assessments:**

All parents of prep grade children will be requested to complete a Health Questionnaire and return the forms to the school, as soon as possible, prior to the school nurse visit.

**Referrals (All Grades):** Parents and/or teachers may refer children from any grade for assessments of vision, hearing, basic speech, physical abilities, medical conditions, behavioural and parenting issues. Please collect a referral form from the school office. Completed forms are to be handed into the school office. Should parents wish to have an interview with the School Nurse, please indicate your request on the form.

Please note: You can talk to the school nurse at any time throughout the year. The school has her mobile phone number.

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**Stadium Use**

Unfortunately there has been quite a bit of damage to the stadium lights caused by “casual users” after school or in the evening.

Please – all users need to respect this facility.

No hard soccer balls/footballs or anything similar are to be kicked in the stadium.

Similarly it is strongly recommended not to have competitors to see who can throw a basket from beyond the half way line.

All users are strongly encouraged to place any rubbish in bins.

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**SCHOOL FOR STUDENT LEADERSHIP – 2012 APPLICATIONS**

Students in year eight have the opportunity to apply to attend the ‘School for Student Leadership’ in 2012. We are able to apply for all three campuses: Term 1, 2012 - Gnurad Gundidj, Term 3, 2012 – Snowy River Campus and in Term 4, 2012 – Alpine School Campus.

The cost to families for the nine week stay is $1,000.

**LAST CALL FOR ANY STUDENT IN YEAR EIGHT TO EXPRESS INTEREST**

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**Jump Rope for Heart NEWS**

**JUMP OFF DAY:** As a conclusion to our Jump Rope for Heart program, all primary students will be involved in a number of fun, physical activities and challenges to be followed by healthy snacks on **Friday June 24th, 2011 from 9.30 -10.30am.** It will be a casual dress day with the theme of “dress as your favourite sports person or in your favourite sports colours”. The cost of the Jump Off Day is $2.00 per student with all proceeds going to the Heart Foundation.

Families wishing to make an extra donation to the Heart Foundation can do so with this payment. The $2.00 participation fee includes dressing in theme and healthy snacks for recess. (Students will need to supply their own lunch.) The healthy snacks will be cooked by the Hospitality class under the guidance of Mrs Kristy Knights. Polish your jumping skills!

**FAMILY SKIP KITS:** Available for loan from the library are 5 family skip kits. Polish your skills. The kits include 3 different sized ropes and a booklet of various skipping techniques.

*Healthy eating helps you feel great………….*

Water is best, forget the rest!

5 vegies a day is the best way

2 fruits each day are sweet to eat.

Milk, yoghurt and cheese – low fat, please!

Lean meat, chicken and fish are quite delish

Go for wholegrain bread instead.

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**Maths is Marvellous**

**You Can Count on it**

An understanding of fractions can be developed when cooking. Halve or double recipe ingredients.

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**Birchip & District Pre-School 2011 Fundraising DRUM MUSTER**

Remove all your chemical drums off your property

For drop off details contact Nathan Kemp on 0438935286
## Term Two Examinations

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Regional Japanese Camp for Years 9 and 10

From Wednesday 25 to Friday 27 May, Middle Years Japanese students, Cooper Benfield, Jacob Christie, Ronald Turner and Jasintha Yard went to Cave Hill Creek Camp in Beaufort for the Japanese Camp.

Four other schools (Cohuna Secondary College, Gisborne Secondary College, MacKillop College and Warracknabeal Secondary College joined the camp with the Birchip students.

Altogether, fifty students turned up and enjoyed various Japanese workshops and activities. There were twelve teachers and assistants, and all spoke Japanese as much as possible ensuring the camp to be a partial language immersion camp. Ms Nakamura took the initiative and led the program for the whole group. Mr Knights was in charge of a workshop and a night activity.

All students mixed very well together and enjoyed meeting and working together with other students and teachers from other schools. It was very good experience for our students to use their Japanese language skills and meet other students learning Japanese from other schools as well as making many new friendships.
Habits of Mind Conference – Adelaide

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday Miss Jessica Arnott, Miss Rebecca Wright and Mrs Barb Smith attended the Habits of Mind Conference in Adelaide.

On Monday we attended the Habits of Mind Expo where we listened to several schools present a session on the implementation of the Habits of Mind into their schools. These schools were from Townsville, Adelaide, Wollongong, Sydney and Christchurch.

It was interesting to listen to the St Margaret’s School in Christchurch as most of their school was damaged/destroyed in the earthquake. It was amazing to listen to their story of this most traumatic time. They were really positive about working through such difficult circumstances – having to rebuild their school and manage staff and students whose lives had been changed forever. **The two staff visiting Adelaide for the conference remarked on how special they felt to have the luxury of running water and sewerage during their stay.**

Some of the points emphasised throughout the day were;

- the necessity of community involvement
- how passionate the school leaders need to be,
- how positive the students’ outcomes were as a result of embedding a mindful culture into their schools.

Over the course of Tuesday and Wednesday we participated in intensive workshops with James Anderson. James has visited Birchip several times and previously worked with staff and community members. These workshops allowed us to further develop our knowledge and understanding of how the Habits and Mind can be continually infused into our school.

We were privileged to once again meet and listen to Art Costa, the founder of the Habits of Mind. Art travelled from the USA to attend the conference; his contributions were insightful and humorous.
YEAR 12
THEATRE STUDIES
PRESENTS
WAITING FOR GODOT

PERIOD 4
THURSDAY 9TH JUNE 2011
ROOM 11 & 12
### Junior Football

**Vs St Arnaud**  
**June 4, 2011**

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### General Meeting & Social

**Tea at Bowen’s Hotel.**  
**After Training at 7.15pm**  
**NEXT Thursday 9 June 2011**

**All players and parents encouraged to attend.**

### Fun, Set, Go Match

**Saturday, 4 June 2011**

1:00 p.m. on Court 2.

### Netball

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Weekly Quiz - Visual
Puppies to give away
Two Labrador/Kelpie female puppies, black with fawn noses.
Telephone: Jenny Noonan on 0429 922 536 if interested.

LOST LAST WEEK
One purple 8GB 5th Generation iPod Nano in dark blue skin.
If found please return to Caitlin Bidstrup or the school office

Birchip & District Pre-School
2011 Supp Lotto
From Saturday 11th June to Saturday 13th August
Tickets $20.00
Win money back with first supp drawn and $10.00 back for seconded supp.
Tickets available from Georgina Gould’s Café or Brooke Morris 54 922 827

East Wimmera Health Service
Junior Food and Domestic Services Assistant
Casual Position available at Birchip

Applications are invited to fill a casual Junior position with Food and Domestic Services at Birchip campus. Junior staff assist with the preparation and provision of evening meals to patients and residents, amongst other tasks within domestic services, through two hour rostered shifts from 4.00pm to 6.00pm each day.

Further information, including Position Description, can be obtained from Jackie or Leonie at Reception at the Birchip Campus.

Applications in writing, including the name of two referees, are to be addressed and forwarded to Mrs Helen Barclay, East Wimmera Health Service, PO Box 60, BIRCHIP VIC 3483 by Friday 3rd June 2011.

An Equal Opportunity Employer

SACs Next Week

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All Years - 15 minutes reading a day!
Recently the Grade 3’s were given the task of building a bridge that would support the weight of a book. This task encouraged the use of many Habits of Mind including thinking interdependently and applying past knowledge. Groups went off with 2 sheets of A3 paper, 4 rubber bands, 1m masking tape, 30 icy pole sticks and where quickly questioning and posing problems within their groups. Questioning the weight requirements of the book and length of hold required to be successful (5 seconds).

The results were varied with some success and some spectacular disasters. All groups approached their results with humour and awe and quickly set about using the knowledge gained to make improvements to their bridges!!