Forthcoming Events

**August**

Tuesday 5th  
7 – 11 Drug & Alcohol Talk #1

Wednesday 6th  
Parents’ Club Meeting - 7.30pm

Friday 8th  
Rock Eisteddfod – final performance at Vodafone Arena

Tuesday 12th  
Australian English Competition
  Athletics: 1500 metre events at 1pm
  VCE Unit 3&4-Parent Teacher afternoon 4-5.30pm

Thursday 14th  
Athletics: 800 metre events at 1pm

Friday 15th  
Casual Day for ‘Chances for Children’

Monday 18th  
House Athletics Sports - Field Events

Monday 18th →  
Book Fair

Friday 1st Sept  
7 – 11 Drug & Alcohol Talk #2

Wednesday 20th  
House Athletics Sports – Track Events

Monday 25th  
Radiance Program Yrs 9,10&11-Leisure Centre

Tuesday 26th  
SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Wednesday 27th  
Drug & Alcohol Parent Evening

Thursday 28th  
Hepatitis B - Immunizations
  Year 10 & VCAL -0 North Central Careers
  Day - Charlton

**September**

Tuesday 2nd  
7 – 11 Drug & Alcohol Talk #3

Wednesday 3rd  
Keys Please – Driver – Road Safety Talk

Friday 5th  
P6 Athletics Sports – Donald

Monday 8th  
P6 Cultural Performance - ‘It’s a mad World’

Tuesday 9th  
Secondary Interschool Athletics Sports - Rainbow

Tuesday 16th  
7-12 Personal Safety Talk

Tuesday 16th →  
Grade 4 & 5 Camp to Wesley Point - Lake

Thursday 18th  
Pepalock

Friday 19th  
Term 3 ends at 2.30pm

China Celebrations & Rock Eisteddfod  
- tonight from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

I am most impressed with our group of students who have opted to be involved in the 2008 Rock Eisteddfod directed by Miss Elisha Johnson. Last Sunday I was fortunate to view a full dress rehearsal where everything came together very professionally.

Come along tonight and see our students perform. I’m sure you will be proud of our students’ achievements and most impressed with their talents and efforts. Everyone is invited to this evening’s performance and activities.

As a precursor to our Rock Eisteddfod showcase we have our celebration of the opening of China’s Olympic Games. A Chinese dragon and lion dancers will feature along with musical performances.

Times for this evening’s activities:

**6:00 p.m.**  Chinese food will be available in the school quadrangle

• $2.00 per person (fried rice, Singapore noodles, dim sims)

• food served from doorways of rooms 7, 8, 9

• pay in central location – obtain noodle box and sporks

• drinks $1.00 each (Primas, bottles of water)

• sparklers (3 for 50c) & glow sticks (2 for 50c)

• cordial is free and funded by Wirrim CWA

• table tennis try-outs in stadium from around 6:00p.m.

• cut out and colour in activities for students – Network 12

• ‘Wild China’ viewing in Room 13 using IWB

**7:00 p.m.**  Performances including band and singers to commence

- Band – Eugene, Shota & Ethan Powell
- Singers – Elsie, Virginia with Joan Glen as accompanist
7:15 p.m. Students prepare for countries parade
   – Students to assemble in the P6 gallery.
7:30 p.m. Students commence their country’s parade
   Entry by main stadium door as school captains introduce each country.

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7:40 p.m. Primary students sing national anthem and other songs
7:45 p.m. Dragon and lion dancers perform
8:00 p.m. Rock Eisteddfod grand finale
8:10 p.m. Tea, coffee and Chinese almond cookies available
          Mocktails available
          Chinese performers mingle with crowd

Final preparations for the Rock Eisteddfod

On Thursday 7th August Rock Eisteddfod cast and crew can wear casual clothes (Rock Eisteddfod tops) to school. We will leave straight after school on Thursday so don't forget to gather all costume items this week.

Thanks to Julie Weir, Barb Smith, Cathy Bales and Noeline Hogan for their help this week. Also thanks to Dave Valentine for making sure all our appliances are safe.

Thursday 7th August
Students in Rock Eisteddfod travel to Melbourne and stay at the Miami Hotel. We will leave school between 3.30 p.m. and 4.00 p.m.

Friday 8th August
Show day
8:00 a.m. Performers and crew arrive at Vodafone arena
7:00 p.m. THE PERFORMANCE!

If your child is not travelling to Melbourne or returning from Melbourne with us on the bus, a communication slip must be given to Miss Johnson before next Thursday.

All tickets for the Melbourne performance have been handed out. The School is not responsible for any tickets that are lost.

Drug and Alcohol program

The program will commence next Tuesday 5th August 2008 at the following times with Snr Constable Andrew Downs and Snr Constable Roberta Barry.

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Parent Drug & Alcohol Information Evening Wednesday 27th August 2008

All parents are asked to keep this night free please. A casserole tea will be provided free of charge. Snr Constable Andrew Downes and Snr Constable Roberta Barry will then deliver an address on Drug and Alcohol issues within our communities along with aspects of the Party Safe program.

AUSKICK AT TELSTRA DOME

Tahlia Noonan, Jack Lee, Shae Colbert, Joseph Reid, James Paley and Seamus Lowry represented the Birchip-Watchem Football Club at Telstra Dome on Saturday 26th July 2008, playing Auskick at half time during the Richmond v Brisbane Lions game. Birchip played against the Donald Auskick team. It was a great opportunity for them to experience being part of an exciting night. It was enjoyed by all. Thanks to all who co-ordinated the proceedings to make it a memorable night for the participants.

Jacob Christie and Connor Buteux played in the Little League game at the same time which was played in the centre of the ground.
Chinese Cultural Evening – Friday 1st August 2008

On the Birchip ‘Olympic Opening’ night students may choose to wear the colours of the countries. Parents may wish to assist their children dress according to their chosen country.

- **Year Prep & 1**: Australia
- **Year 1 & 2**: Fiji and New Zealand
- **Year 3**: China and Brazil
- **Year 4 & 5**: Swaziland and Spain
- **Year 5 & 6**: Portugal and Israel
- **Year 7**: Sweden
- **Year 8**: Japan
- **Year 9**: Canada
- **Year 10**: El Salvador
- **Year 11**: Eritrea
- **Year 12**: South Korea

VCE Parent Teacher Interviews

Tuesday 12th August from 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. we will conduct a VCE Unit 3 & 4 – Parent Teacher afternoon. This will give parents and students the opportunity to catch up with teachers early enough to identify and communicate any issues about student progress. Interim reports for these students will also be available at this time. Please keep this time free.
Secondary Winter Carnival

The Winter Carnival was enjoyed by all students that participated. These sport carnivals provide a great opportunity for students to try different sports and participate in physical activity often with people different to those they normally play sport with.

Every student was given the opportunity to participate in an activity and it was pleasing to see so many students make the most of this opportunity.

Winning teams on the day.

Girls Badminton,
Golf
Senior Boys Soccer
The Volleyball competition held for just Birchip students was won by Laura Bales, Chris Casey, Nathan Bennett, Andrew White and Lee James.

Thanks to all staff and parents who managed, organised, transported or umpired teams.

Jarryd Hogan shows his style in junior soccer.

Junior Girls Netball

Eugene Liston, Shota Nakamura and Tom Rumbold setting up an attack for goal during senior boys soccer.

LOST

1 navy blue school jumper - size 12.
Nick Burke’s name is on tag at back and on inside logo.
Please contact Nick Burke if found.

LOST

Red leather Lyrebird Sherin Football.
Please contact Nick Burke if found.
CULTURAL PERFORMANCE - THE NIGHT GARDEN

On Monday 14th July P-6 students watched an excellent production based on the 2008 Short Listed Picture Book ‘The Night Garden’ by Elise Hurst.

The story is based around a little girl called Sally who paints a magical garden on the window of her room. It’s the start of a mystical adventure. It is an enchanting tale brought to life by Elise Hurst's whimsical illustrations.

The cast from Tony Bones Entertainment used puppets and simple but effective stage props to creatively and humorously present their interpretation of the story through dialogue and song.

The performance was thoroughly enjoyed by students and staff.

And the primary toilets are lifted and moved away.

Students watched in awe as a huge crane came on Tuesday and lifted the old primary toilets onto a low loader for the journey to their new home at Bacchus Marsh Secondary College.

Rainbow FReeZA

Rainbow Secondary College will be holding a FReeZA event on Friday 8th August 2008. It will be held at the Rainbow Secondary College. There are several other schools invited, and if enough people from Birchip and the surrounding area are interested, the Rainbow organizers will be happy to organize a bus for the night.

The theme for the night is ‘Op-Shop’. ‘The Benchwarmers’ (one of the regions leading Cover Bands) will be playing. The committee have also organised a mechanical bull for the night. As like all official FReeZA events, the Rainbow Secondary College FReeZA is a drug and alcohol free event. The event commences at 7:30 p.m. and finishes at 11:30 p.m. Students from years 7-12 are most welcome. It will be a fun and exciting night. Hope to see you there!! Please contact Kylie Helyar on 0427 918 217 so that buses can be organized if there is enough interest from students who wish to attend.
Science Competition

Last week we identified our science competition credit and distinction winners. This week we include a photograph of our winners. Congratulations again to:

Credit Certificates: Leslie Cooper, Colin Hill, Samuel Owa, Ashley Tierney, Jessamy Bennett, Ethan Cooper, Karleigh Weir and Darcie Cooper

Distinction Certificates: Georgia Lee and Madeline Paley

DROUGHT POLICY REVIEW
EXPERT SOCIAL PANEL

The panel investigating the social impacts of drought is holding a public forum and wants to hear your views.

The panel would like to know:

- How has drought impacted individuals’ mental and physical health, family relationships, and local communities?
- What government and non-government social support services are working well, how could it be done better and what else could be made available?

Town: Birchip
Venue: Birchip Community Leisure Centre
Date: Tuesday, 5th August 2008
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Making time for breakfast

For most people, mornings are a frantic rush to get to work (or and/or school) on time, and regular morning meals are fantasy rather than fact.

Here's the bottom line, though: breakfast really is the most important meal of the day. Your body relies on glucose (blood sugar) for energy in much the same way your car requires petrol. Without a constant supply of energy, your body will tire and stop functioning properly – eventually, entirely.

Breakfast supplies you with an initial boost of energy that not only speeds up your metabolism, but gives you enough glycogen reserves to see you through the morning as productively as possible. Additionally, you need to provide enough new energy for your body to use to start the day and to keep you functioning well until lunch.

Start your day right

First of all, as the name "breakfast" implies, you need to "break" the "fast" - that is, you need to refill your body with the energy that was used up while you slept. As stated above, this energy, of course, comes from food, and you need it because you haven’t eaten for nearly 12 hours or so.

This isn’t just a theory; it has been proven by many scientific studies. One six-year study, for instance, measured the mental and physical efficiency of a group of adults throughout the day. Some of the people tested ate good nutritious breakfasts while others did not. When compared to those who ate breakfast, those who did not, became less efficient as the day went on. Their efficiency improved after eating lunch, but they slowed down again later in the day and fell behind those who had eaten breakfast in completing their work.

For children a good breakfast is also important. Children who don’t eat a good breakfast become tired in school and don’t pay as much attention, especially late in the morning. In one study, test scores of children who did not eat breakfast were generally lower than those who had eaten a good, nutritious morning meal. Breakfast eaters performed much better in their schoolwork and showed extra energy in sports and other physical activities.

It’s easier than you think

It’s easy to have a good breakfast, even if you don’t feel hungry when you wake up. If you’re not used to eating breakfast, you can begin by eating just a small bit at first and then have the rest of a nutritious meal at mid-morning. As you get more used to eating breakfast, slowly increase the amount of food you eat in the early morning.

A good breakfast is a morning meal that supplies at least one-fourth of your daily nutritional requirements. It should consist of nutritious foods such as whole-grain bread or cereal, fruit, milk, yogurt, or eggs. For people older than two years, 1% low fat milk or non-fat milk is the best choice, and eggs should not be eaten every day.

There are many quick breakfast options that can be eaten on-the-run or prepared in less than five minutes. Here are a few ideas:

- Avoid cereals high in sugar as they are burned quickly in the body, resulting in a sudden drop in blood sugar levels a little later. Many cereal manufacturers now produce low fat – and delicious - sustained energy release cereals products
- Make cereals more interesting by adding low fat flavoured yoghurt or fruit
- Instant oatmeal is a good option for chilly mornings
- Sprinkle oat bran, wheat bran or flax seed meal on cereal for extra fibre and more slow release of energy.
- Slice up a variety of fruit and for fabulous fruit salad drizzled with yoghurt
- Fruit smoothies are made in a blender by mixing fruit, yoghurt and milk. Add some oat bran for a slower release of energy. They are delicious and can be consumed "on the run”.

Keep a few breakfast bars and small yoghurts around for panic stricken mornings. If you don’t enjoy the types of foods generally associated with breakfast, consider a sandwich or a serving of leftover dinner foods that may appeal to you more.

Breakfast is all about being prepared, having a routine and not compromising on the family's good health – or your own.

So, the answer to the question: "Do you need to eat breakfast?” is "YES". But you must make smart choices with your breakfast foods, having in mind all the benefits of whole grains and other healthy choices mentioned above.
Daffodil Day

The Junior SRC are promoting and supporting Daffodil Day, which will be held on 22nd August 2008. From now until then, we will have the following items for sale at the office:

- Wristbands: $4.00
- Bears: $5.00
- Soft small soccer balls: $6.00

Silk Daffodils will also be available in the near future. All purchases support Cancer Victoria.

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Homework Research Questions

1. On which island is Wall Street?
2. How many minutes are there in half a day?
3. What is a small section of garlic called?
4. Avian relates to what type of creatures?
5. What kind of animal is a pipistrelle?
6. Where was the meteorite High Possil found?
7. Who owned Rainbow Warrior, the boat sunk by the French in 1987?
8. The Elysee Palace is whose residence?
9. Which country does the island of Rhodes belong to?
10. What is a gricer?

Answers to last weeks questions

1. What color is platinum? Greyish white.
2. Foie gras is the liver of which creatures? Geese or ducks
3. What type of pen did Lewis Waterman invent? Fountain pen
4. Which country’s national flag is a green rectangle? Libya
5. Who recorded the original version of Love Is All Around? The Troggs
6. What is the more common name for a dactylogram? Fingerprint.
8. Cornice and Bon Chretin are types of which fruit? Pears
9. The Rock of Gibraltar is found off the south coast of which country? Spain

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Primary Golf Championships

Good Luck to Hayley Hogan and Joe Boyle, who will be tackling the first round of the Primary Golf Championships being held at Warracknabeal on Tuesday, August 5.

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Competition

Writers Wanted

Win fabulous cash prizes and have fun being creative with poetry or a short story. $1000 cash and your choice of Nintendo Wii or Sony Digital Camera or 8GB Apple Ipod Nano or Nintendo DS Lite

Entries close August 31st 2008.

All grades from Prep to Year 12 and on any topic or style. Poems must not exceed 16 lines and short stories must not exceed 500 words.

You can enter on line [www.write4fun.net](http://www.write4fun.net) or email to enter@write4fun.net

The poster with more information is on the front door of the library.
Wanted to buy:
There are a number of students studying Crime and Punishment who would like to buy the play ‘Twelve Angry Men’ that was studied two years ago. If you have this book and wish to sell it, please attach the price you wish to sell for and give to Mrs Eileen Smith.

Junior Football Roster
Saturday 2nd August at Birchip

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Birchip Watchem Netball
St. Arnaud at home

A 1pm  Di Thompson
Scoreboard Maryanne Bell
B 2.15pm  Jackie Tierney
Scoreboard Steph McClelland
C 11.45am  Jan Trollope
Scoreboard Jay Connelly
JA 10.40am  Bern Hogan
Scoreboard Steph Martin
JB 11.45am  Jenny (Sophie) Noonan
Scoreboard Emma Hogan
13A 9.50am  Ros McClelland
Scoreboard Interchange Bench

Good Luck
Good luck to the following Birchip Watchem junior players who are representing the NCFL on Sunday in Beulah on Sunday.
The Under 16 players in the competition are: Tim Walder, Nathan Witherow and Ruben Vesikuru.
The Under 14 representatives are: Brenten Delaney, Jake Hogan and Riley Doran.
The Under 12 players are: Jacob Christie and Sean Hogan.

BIRCHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.
25TH ANNUAL MEETING
August 15th at 8pm
Meeting Room at the Museum
If you are interested in the history of Birchip, Old photos, or just having a chat THIS IS THE PLACE FOR YOU.
All new members welcome

Tennis Meeting
Mon Aug 18th, 8pm at the clubrooms to discuss the upcoming season prior to the NCTA AGM on Aug 25th.
All current and intending tennis players encouraged to attend.

DANCE FOR FUN
With Elisha Johnson
Commencing Tues 12th Aug for 6 weeks, $40
Primary 4.30-5.15, Secondary 5.15-6.00
Payment must be made at the BB & LC prior to the commencement of the first class.

DO YOU HAVE A HEALTH CARE CARD?
If So You Are Entitled To the ‘Education Maintenance Allowance’
Last day for EMA applications today - 1st August 2008. No Late applications can be accepted.

VCE SAC
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All Years - 15 minutes reading a day!

**SECONDHAND THESAURUSES NEEDED.**

If you wish to sell or donate thesauruses to school, please send them to the school office or contact Eileen Smith.

**Testing and Tagging of Electrical Equipment**

If you need electrical equipment tested and tagged please contact Simone at the BB & LC phone 54922735 or email birchipblc@bigpond.com
HABITS OF MIND
Year 7’s - Thinking about their Thinking

During computers Year 7 have been reflecting on last semesters learning goals, establishing whether they achieved them and gathering evidence to support their decision.

Outlined below are some of their thoughts and an example of how they used autoshapes to organise and present their ideas.

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<td>Miss Langley and Miss Barclay have a roll to record when you have finished and I know I am up to date.</td>
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<td>I need to work on the areas in which I am not as strong.</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>I thought I was not good at Japanese, however it was one of my highest marks and I can now read small words</td>
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<td>I need to find ways to help me study and do revision.</td>
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<td>In Maths I had a test so I took my book home and studied. I got 39/40.</td>
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<td>I need to make sure I spend the right amount of time on each task.</td>
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<td>In my report it said that I didn’t rush as much as I used too.</td>
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<td>In my report the teachers said I talked too much</td>
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<td>I need to ask more questions if work is new to me.</td>
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<td>In Maths we started a new topic and I had to ask lots of questions so I could understand it</td>
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<td>I need to spend more time catching up when I get behind with work.</td>
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<td>I need to find out the different styles of learning.</td>
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<td>I can learn by making models or drawing diagrams which I do in maths some times.</td>
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In sport I needed to think quick about who to pass the ball off to in soccer. So I took risks and started off slowly with when I looked up to the people than faster and faster and I am still improving.

In maths I am not very good at fractions. So I asked for a little more extra time and I tried hard and stuck to it and I went home and practised the spelling words in English that I had trouble and I did it a few times a week and got top marks.

I need to think about my area of weakness and find ways to improve.
Parents’ Club Meeting
Wednesday 6th August 2008
at 7:30 p.m.
BIRCHIP P-12 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
STAFF RECREATION ROOM

All parents encouraged and welcome to attend.

AGENDA

Apologies
Minutes of Meeting May 5th 2008
Business arising from minutes
Treasurers report – Deanne Botheras
Correspondence – Ros McCallum
School Council Report – Cathy Bales
Catering Report – Sam Kemp and Trish Lehmann
Fundraising Issues
General Business:
   1. School logo for Uniform
   2. Parents Victoria Conference – Three Issues to discuss and vote on:
      1) Anaphylaxis
      2) Drug Testing in Schools
      3) Life Membership to PV
   3. Fathers Day Stall
   4. First Aid Book
   5. Other – Guest Speaker for next meeting Marc Cox & Simone Christie

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