Forthcoming Events

August

Tuesday 11th  Physical Resources Meeting
Wednesday 12th  Year 12 VCE Information Night - 7.30pm
Monday 17th  Athletics Sports Field Events - Years 5-12
Monday 17th →  Book Fair
Wednesday 28th  Athletics Sports Track Events - Years 5-12
Thursday 20th  School Council Meeting
Monday 24th  Staff PD Literacy across the Curriculum - Joan Stewart - 3.30pm - 5.30pm
Tuesday 25th  School Photographs - full winter uniform please
Thursday 27th  Yr 7 Immunisations

September

Thursday 3rd  Fathers’ Day Stall
Friday 4th  Primary Athletics Sports - Donald
Monday 7th  Parent Teacher Evening - 4-7pm
Tuesday 8th  Secondary Interschool Athletics - Rainbow
Primary Performance - ‘Tony Bones’
Physical Resources Meeting
Wednesday 9th  Yr 9 & 10 VET Taster Day - Horsham
Thursday 17th  School Council
Friday 18th  Last Day Term 3 - 2.30pm finish

October

Monday 5th  First Day Term 4
Tuesday 6th  Physical Resources Meeting
Thursday 8th  Parents’ Club Meeting at O’Donnell’s Tea Rooms
Thursday 15th  School Council
Friday 16th  Year 11 Psychology Excursion to Melbourne
Monday 19th  Yr 6-7 Transition Meeting 7pm
Thursday 22nd  Yr 12 Valedictory Dinner
Friday 23rd  Last Day Year 12 students
Birchip Hospital Flower Show
Monday 26th →  School Council
Thursday 29th  Transition Day 1 for Grade 6 → Year 7
Thursday 29th  Transition Day 2 for Grade 6 → Year 7
Friday 30th  VCE English Exam

November

Tuesday 3rd  Melbourne Cup Day Holiday

BUILDING PROGRESS!
The construction fence is up around the old mathematics buildings. Onley have commenced works – removing weatherboards and internal walls along with other installatons. They will now commence the refit out during the next few weeks.

Noonan Builders and Aaron Lewis Concrete have completed concreting the entrance ramp to the library. The hand rails and installation of the automatic door to the Library will occur soon.

Pedestrians are asked to walk along underneath the southern administration wing around the fenced area.

Library users are asked to enter the library using the back (southern) door from next week.

There will be NO PARKING along the east of the Library during this construction phase.

I request all students, staff, parents and visitors to the school to be patient during this construction time.

New Birchip P-12 School Assistant Principal
Following an open selection process, Mrs Eileen Smith has been appointed Assistant Principal of the Birchip P-12 School. Eileen will commence in this new role in January 2010. Eileen commenced her teaching career at Birchip High School (7605) in 1976. Eileen has taught English, History and a variety of other subjects over these years. Over the last few years, Eileen
has taken on the role of Wellbeing Manager dealing with the many and varied welfare issues which come her way. The school community congratulates Eileen on her new appointment.

Farewell to Janine & Scott Taylor

Last Wednesday we farewelled Mrs Janine Taylor and Snr Constable Scott Taylor from our school community. The Taylors are returning to Mildura in their work. Janine has worked with us for the past two years as an Integration Aide in the Early Years. We will certainly miss her caring and gentle guidance given to our younger children.

Scott assisted us very much in the commencement of our Flight unit for year 9 and 10 students. He encouraged us to pursue this area and then provided us with much guidance and assistance along the way. Scott also delivered the navigation section of the course. We hope that Scott will continue to assist us again this year with our Flight unit.

Year Eight Mathematics

Leonardo da Vinci was keenly interested in the proportions of the human body and mused upon the fact that even though people vary greatly in height and stature, the ratio of leg length to total stature is generally the same. Thus, our Year 7 and 8 students, who are studying measurement, are investigating to see if Leonardo’s principles that he included in his painting, ‘Vitruvian Man’ are in fact accurate.

Using each other as Vitruvian models, the students, like Leonardo, concluded that a person’s outspread arms are equal to his height. He found that the width of the shoulders is one-quarter of a person’s height; the distance from the top of the head to the middle of the chest is also one-quarter of their height. Interestingly, the distance from the top of the leg to the bottom of the knee is also one-quarter of an individual’s height and of course, the distance from the bottom of the knee to the bottom of the foot is one-quarter of their height as is the distance from the elbow to the tip of the hand. Even our ears, it seems, are in proportion and equate to one-third the length of our face.

Students learned that while Leonardo was working in the late 1400s, modern forensic scientists have used his knowledge to estimate the height of a person when only bones remain. It was an interesting way to learn mathematics and students showed their obvious enjoyment.

Maths is Marvellous – You can count on it!

More!

Deal out the cards, face down, to 2 players. (Use the whole pack or limit the cards used to suit the needs of the children.) Each player puts a card on the table face up. The player whose card is highest says “More!” and takes both the cards. If the two cards are the same number each player takes a card. The game finishes when all the cards have been played. The winner is the person with the most cards.

Variations: - Play the game with each player putting down 2 cards and adding them. The game can be played with ‘Less’ being the aim.
Book Fair

Theme: Book Safari

The front of the library maybe under construction but within the building there are many new books waiting to be read. The display tables are packed with the latest best sellers to browse through and for those who prefer to listen to books, there is a wide selection of audio books and CDs to borrow.

The Annual Birchip Library Book Fair is just around the corner. A large collection of quality books, pre-school to adults, together with activity books, special packs and posters, will be on display in the Library commencing 17 August to 28 August. Every person who buys a book will go into the draw to win daily prizes.

This year, Scholastic Books and Landmark School Supplies will be sending hundreds of new books for the community to select from. The books will have wide appeal to young and old and you’re sure to find something for a birthday or Christmas stocking.

Year 7 Textiles

Year 7 Textiles students began their projects this week when they tie dyed calico fabric. The students are making a fabric insert for the laundry basket frame they made in wood or a floor cushion. They were very excited to see the colourful results of their work.

We could even say they responded with wonderment and awe

Back - Jordan Galway, Darci Tierney, Connor Buteux, Cooper Benfield
Front – Rowley Walsh, Aaron Riggall, Molly Hogan, Marnie Lehmann, Kellie James,
Grade Five and Six Homework Questions – due Friday 14th August 2009
1. What kind of bird is a brant?
2. Which is the largest of the Channel Islands?
3. How many different colors of properties are there in Monopoly?
4. What two words began Advance Australia Fair before the modern version took shape?
5. Who is the Greek goddess of love?
6. Do bananas grow up or down?
7. What is Port Stanley the capital of?
8. King Minos was the legendary ruler of which island?
9. What Australian state’s postcodes begin with the number 6?
10. How many funnels did the Titanic have?

Answers to last week’s questions due Friday 7th August
1. Who surrendered aboard the Bellerophon on July 15, 1815? Napoleon
2. How many different colors are the spaces on a Scrabble board? 5
3. What was the original name of the Salvation Army? Christian Mission
4. How many times have the Olympic Games been held in Africa? Zero
6. The lowest call in a game of five hundred is six…..Spades
7. What famous battle is featured on the Bayeux Tapestry? Battle of Hastings
8. What are called otemoto in restaurants in Japan? Chopsticks
9. Which sauce is traditionally served with roast lamb? Mint
10. A gerontologist usually deals with what kind of patients? Old ones

Primary Golf
Congratulations to Mason Bland who travelled to Warracknabeal last Tuesday to take part in the first stage of the Primary Schools Golf Championships. Mason scored 70 for nine holes and although he did not qualify for the next stage, he enjoyed the experience.

Daffodil Day
Daffodil Day will be held on Friday 28 August 2008. This day raises money for the Cancer Council and we are asking all students and staff to wear some yellow on this day and to bring a gold coin donation to contribute to this worthwhile cause.

Primary Athletics Sports Schedule
The Athletics season is upon us once again. The Primary Athletics Sports will be held at Donald on Friday 4th September 2009. We are responsible for running a number of events on the day and help will be required. If you are able to assist on the day could you please let Mr Greg Welton know as soon as possible.

Our students will commence athletics sports training from Monday 10th August 2009 until Thursday 3rd September 2009. Athletics sports practice will be on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from straight after lunch at 1:45 p.m. until 2:05 p.m.

Junior Events (5, 6, 7 & 8 yrs): - Shot put, Long Jump, Hurdles, Discus, Vortex Throw and Sprint
Senior Events (9, 10, 11 & 12): - Shot Put, Long Jump, Hurdles, Discus, Vortex Throw, Sprint and Long Distance.

Head Lice
Head lice have been detected again. Please check heads carefully, so that we can stop them in their tracks.

It takes a big effort from everyone to eradicate them, but if we all check, there will be no need for the ordeal of a whole school inspection. If you require information please contact Mrs Kelly.
**VCAL CUBBY HOUSE**

The Year 11 VCAL class plan to manufacture a cubby house. They are looking for a potential purchaser to buy this product. The cubby house will be finished by Christmas.

We are also looking for second hand weather boards for the cubby house.

If can assist please contact Mrs Barb Smith at the school on 54 922 287.

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**Computer Technician**

Mr Thomas Walker, the school’s computer technician will continue to visit Birchip weekly every Friday.

Thomas will work on school computers and peripherals from 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. each Friday.

From 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Thomas will be available to people within the Birchip community who wish to utilize his IT skills. Thomas will work from the Birchip P-12 School and charges $60.00 per hour.

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**Birchip Watchem Football Club - Junior Roster for Saturday 8th August 2009**

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**Junior Football Trip**

Junior football players need to return indications of interest for the trip to the football on Sunday 23 August 2009 as soon as possible to the school office please.

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**Netball Scoring**

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**Birchip & District Pre-School**

**Casual Relief Teachers**

The Birchp & District Pre-School is looking for Primary Teachers with current registration who are interested in being employed as a Casual Relief Teacher. If interested, please contact Belinda Randall from the Pre-School Committee on 50 854 235 for further information.

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**Wirrim-Birchip Country Women’s Association**

would like to congratulate Birchip Youth Group on the Reopening of the Youth Group Headquarters and wish them many hours of enjoyment in their re-furbished building.

Well done on the enterprise and hard work undertaken to make the SHAMROCK room an attractive headquarters and meeting place for young people.

Lorna Litt - President
Maureen Donnellon - Secretary

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**Lost**

Green School Jumper, size 12 - Half Zip. Name on Tag Chloe Rymer 5492 2307

Grade 6 Class Polo Shirt with Sean Hogan’s name inside collar - please return to Sean
Parents’ Club News

A warm welcome back to everyone, students, teachers and members of the broader school community for Term 3. Spring is just around the corner so hopefully we can banish those winter chills and look forward to sunshine, wonderful crops and good health.

The Parents’ Club General Meeting was held on Monday night. We had a good attendance and it was great to see a few new faces. The meeting was kept strictly to time as we wanted to give our guest speakers Mrs Barb Smith and Mr Russell Christie ample opportunity to deliver their presentation and also to maximize time for questions from the floor.

Items of note from the meeting:
Congratulations to Mrs Eileen Smith on her appointment as Assistant Principal commencing January 2010. Congratulations to Brianna Smith & Gareth Cozens on their recent AVSP awards and Brianna for her Prime Ministers Award for Skills Excellence in School.

We have a very healthy bank balance $8,356.85 but, soon to be depleted as the Parents Club have decided to help fund the purchase of a new piano for the school. We have also donated funds for 45 new school sports shirts (supplied by Just You Casuals) and one bubble tap (to be installed in the secondary section of the school).

Athletic Sports Field Events Monday 17th August Parents Club will be again offering sausage sizzle and hot drinks to entice parents to attend the athletic sports field events.

Other dates to remember for the diary:
Fathers Day Stall Thursday 3rd September
Valedictory Dinner Year 12 Thursday 22nd October
Shire Dinner – Apprenticeship Awards Monday 16th November
Grade 6 Dinner Monday 7th December

Once the meeting was over and we had revived with a quick cup of coffee, Barb and Russell gave a wonderful and informative talk on VCE, VET, VCAL AND ASBA. Their combined presentation gave us a real understanding of what is available to our students for years 10, 11 and 12 at Birchip P12 School. They were able to explain the opportunities that VET, VCAL, VCE and ABSA offered and the values of each different pathway. I am sure all who attended came away from the meeting with a greater understanding of what our school offers to the senior students and what wonderful opportunities are available to our students. President Jenny Hogan, on behalf of the Parents Club, thanked Barb and Russell for their very stimulating presentation.

NEXT MEETING:
Thursday 8th October – 7:30 p.m.
Dinner meeting at O’Donnell’s Tea Rooms
## Homework!

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All Years - 15 minutes reading a day!
COUNTRY WOMEN’S ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA INC

PHONE: (03) 9627 8971

2009 State Creative Arts Exhibition

ART

CRAFT

COOKERY

St. Arnaud Town Hall
Napier Street, St. Arnaud.

Friday 7th August 2009
9.30am - 5.00pm

Saturday 8th August 2009
9.30am - 4.00pm

Presentation of Trophies:
Friday 7th August 2009 at 11.00am

- Challenge Competitions
- Demonstrations
- Workshops
- Raffles
- Craft Stall
- Refreshments

Admission: $8.00

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
EVERYONE WELCOME
Birchip Youth Forum

Who: Secondary school aged young people from the community

When: Monday 17th August
4:00pm - 6:00pm

Where: The Shamrock

FREE Pizza and soft drink provided

DISCUSS
FReeZA - Youth Activities - Youth Room - Positives
Wellbeing - Negatives - Youth Group - Issues - Programs
Services - Sport Competitions - Boredom - and much more

Contact: Marc Cox – 5478 0100, marc@buloke.vic.gov.au or
Mikaela Christie at Birchip P-12 School
INDIVIDUAL NAME PAVERS

We are refurbishing various buildings around the school at present. We will be lifting the present named pavers to make way for these works and will then re-pave these areas. This is an opportunity for other people and families to be part of the named paver project prior to the repaving taking place.

Purchase one or more pavers for $30.00 each and have your child/children’s or family’s name engraved into a paver as a lasting record of your valued support and time spent at Birchip P-12 School. The pavers will be permanently laid in the entrance between the library and administration wings of the school.

A unique and lasting record of your support and time spent at Birchip P-12 School.

Engraving details: Please print clearly in block letters. Each square represents one letter, number, space or punctuation mark. (34 max)
‘AND’ is to be displayed as ‘&’.

For enquiries: please contact Birchip P-12 School on 03 54 922 287 - sample on view in school office.

To Order: Simply fill out this order form and return with full payment by cash or cheque (made out to Birchip P-12 School) to Birchip P-12 School, PO Box 9, BIRCHIP 3483.

Orders will be taken up until the end of term three, Friday 18th September 2009.

Contact Name:

Address: ...........................................................................................................................................................................

Phone: ...............................................................................................................................................................................

Offer closes on the 18th September 2009
Please photocopy and pass on to friends and all associated with Birchip P-12 School.
Birchip P-12 School

Athletics 2009

Tuesday 11th August 2009
Under 16 and Under 21 Boys and Girls 1500 metres events will be held at 1:00 p.m. along King Street.

Thursday 13th August 2009
Under 16 and Under 21 Boys and Girls 800 metres events will be held at 1:00 p.m. along King Street.

Monday 17th August 2009: Field Events (Grades 5/6 Yrs 7-12)
- School oval and playing fields - beginning at 11:00am.
Field Events (approximately 84 events) will be held from 11:00 a.m. – 3:20 p.m.
Field events include discus, shot put, javelin, long jump, triple jump and high jump.
Vortex throw for Grade 5&6 instead of javelin.
All students will be encouraged to participate and achieve points for their house.
Students will be expected to eat lunch when they are not scheduled to be participating in events.
No student will leave the sporting area.
Parents’ Club will be operating a BBQ and food outlet on this day for Primary and Secondary students and families.

Wednesday 19th August 2009: Track Events
- Birchip Recreation Reserve (George Cartwright Oval)
- Gr P-4 – 40m-100m sprint – distances increase with age.
- Gr 3/4 200m
- Grades 5/6 & Yrs 7-12 – 100m 200m 400m
- Relays Gr 3/4, 5/6, U14, U16 & U21
We will work 3 shortened periods and move to the oval at 11:30 am. after a recess.
Any heats (required if there are large numbers in each age group) will take place from 11:50am.
Track Events will be held from 12:00 noon. – 3:20 p.m. Commencing with the 5&6 year old boys and girls.
All students will be expected to participate in the shorter sprint events for their age group.
Relay participants will be chosen from the 4 best 100 metres sprint times from each House.
Grade P-2 students will return to school after their sporting events have finished.
We will be operating a BBQ and food outlet on this day for Primary and Secondary students and families.

Tuesday 8th September 2009
Secondary Interschool Athletics Sports at Rainbow.
The team is selected on the performances – first two in each event will be selected; max. 6 individual events.

Friday 4th September 2009
Primary Interschool Athletics Sports at Donald

2009 House Captains:

Young House
Girls (Room 5) Maddelyne Foott C  Alicia Emouzon VC  Miss E Johnson, Miss S Meehan
Boys (Room 2) Alex Noonan C  Aaron Valentine VC  Mr C Whelan, Mr T Knights

Fraser House
Girls (Room 11) Laura Bales C  Virginia Glen VC  Miss E Heyden, Miss C Barclay
Boys (Room 12) Ruben Vesikuru C  Tyler Lehmann VC  Mr J Tyler, Mr G McRae

Parents and friends are most welcome and encouraged to attend and support students.
Parental assistance to conduct field events will be appreciated. If you are interested, please contact Andrew Sayle at the school on 54922287.
Programs will be available closer to the scheduled dates.
Habits of Mind

Heroes from the Holocaust – ‘Courage to Care’ Exhibition

The exhibition emphasises the importance of standing up against racism and persecution, especially in relation to minority groups.

This is done by focusing on rescuers of Jews during the Holocaust; the brave people who put themselves at enormous personal risk to save Jews, with the overriding theme that just one individual can make a difference.

**Hero: Olga Nowak**

Under the floor, behind cupboards, in tunnels, and under cow sheds: these were some of the places Olga Nowak found to hide Leszek Nadler (Nowak), his mother Cyla, sister Alka, aunt and uncle Aniela and Gustaw, and cousin Dodek. Between 1941 and 1944, at any one time, one or more members of the family would find sanctuary with this remarkable woman.

Olga fully understood the risks she took in hiding Jews, but she simply never thought she would be caught. When Leszek needed her help, she knew in her heart that she should do what she could.

After the war, Olga and Leszek married and in 1951 came to Australia. Today, Olga is surrounded by a loving family of children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren who exist because of her courage to care.


Students in year 9/10 History’s ‘Mysteries’ reflected on the qualities of the rescuers from the Holocaust. The most important Habit of Mind the rescuers possessed was the ability to take a **responsible risk**. Although it was an incredibly dangerous risk to take it was the responsibility of the bystanders to do what was right.

The example above also demonstrates **persistence**. For four years Olga continued to find new ways to hide the Jewish family. As the Jewish family incarcerated themselves as a survival method they must **think interdependently** to avoid genocide.

To ensure the Jewish family were kept hidden Olga **gathered data through all senses**. She **observed** community for dangers, she **listened** to the radio to keep updated on the war and she **felt around** in the dark while she smuggled the family food.