Forthcoming Events

September

Friday 4th  Primary Athletics Sports - Donald
VCE English seminar - Horsham

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
Year 11→12 Transition Meeting - 7.30 p.m.

Thursday 17th  School Council
Front garden makeover - JT, volunteers & horticulture students

Friday 18th  Last Day Term 3 - 2.30pm finish

October

Monday 5th  First Day Term 4

Tuesday 6th  Physical Resources Meeting
Primary Zone Athletics - Horsham

Wednesday 7th  →Grade 3 & 4 Camp to Pental Island

Friday 9th  Parents’ Club Meeting at O’Donnell’s Tea Rooms
Northern Zone Athletics - Bendigo

Thursday 8th  School Council

Monday 15th  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  →Year 12 Swot Vac
Thursday 29th

Thursday 29th  Transition Day 1 for Grade 6 → Year 7
Friday 30th  Transition Day 2 for Grade 6 → Year 7
VCE English Exam

November

Tuesday 3rd  Melbourne Cup Day Holiday

Thursday 5th  Transition Day 3 for Grade 6 → Year 7

Monday 9th → Grade 5 Camp to Lake Cululleraine
Thursday 12th

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent teacher interviews for this semester are on Monday 7th September 2009 from 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the stadium. Letters were sent home during the week identifying the time slot allotted for each family. Please keep this evening free so that you can have meaningful discussion with your son’s and daughter’s teachers.

Year 11 → 12 Transition Meeting – Wednesday 9th September 2009 at 7:30 p.m.

Mr Christie will conduct a student and parent information evening for current year 11 students transitioning to year 12 in 2010 on Wednesday 9th September 2009 at 7:30 p.m. All students and parents are encouraged to attend to discuss the various options available to students.

Building progress

Work continues on the new ICT focused flexible learning space (previously rooms 11 & 12). The shelter shed was demolished and now a crumpled mess at the tip. The new 2 metre high fence to the south of the new building and wet of the primary gallery is being erected at the moment.

The new front entrance to the library is now functional with the removal of the temporary wall and doors. Please use the new ramp to access the library.
During this weekend Dave Valentine will remove the garden bed and lay crushed rock and quarry dust in its place prior to works in the primary section.

Continued project managers, architects, engineers and surveyors continue to visit and plan for the new primary building as announced during the week. We have been approved to receive an $850,000 facility consisting of 3-4 new classrooms and withdrawal rooms for the primary section.

Welcome

The school is pleased to welcome Lauren Chilvers as a student teacher for three weeks. Coming from Swan Hill, Lauren understands what living in the country is all about. She did all her schooling in the area and presently plays netball for Nullawil. Lauren is undertaking her tertiary studies at La Trobe University in Bendigo and majoring in General Science with an emphasis on Biology and Environmental Science, she is also majoring in English. Lauren is in her fourth year and has previously done primary teaching rounds. We wish Lauren well in her career.

Hearing Tests

Sue Ward from Wimmera Hearing Society will visit our school and test the hearing ability of all Year 7 & 8 students on Friday 11th September 2009. Permission slips will be sent home for year 7 & 8 students. Sue will also test any other students we have concerns about. If you as a parent are concerned about your son/daughter and wish to check your child’s hearing, please contact Mrs Eileen Smith at the school office.

Fathers’ Day Stall

Thank you to the Parents’ Club helpers Deanne Botheras, Maureen Trollope, Amanda Reid for their work with the Fathers Day Stall today. Thanks also to Janine Paley for her setting up and overall organization.

Fire Wood Available

Members of the community are very welcome to collect dead or fallen trees around the perimeter of the school (fitness track plantation). Please do not take any trees/wood from the two piles at the south side of the school.

THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL LIBRARY USERS FROM FRIDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER 2009 UNTIL TUESDAY 6TH OCTOBER 2009.

Literacy & Numeracy Week Monday 31st August 2009 – Friday 4th September 2009

There is no such thing as an ‘ordinary week’ at the Birchip P-12 School and this week the school went into over-drive celebrating Literacy and Numeracy Week. Many classes combined to conduct stimulating activities. Year 9 and 10 students practised making reading come alive by reading picture books to the year 1 and 2 students. The year 10 construction class taught Mr Welton’s grade 5 and 6 how to make small wooden structures by accurately measuring their pieces of wood.

Years Prep to three and years 7 and 8 maths classes worked together in small groups to solve maths problems and develop their thinking skills.
Campbell Street Garden

The front garden project (Campbell Street) was initially undertaken by the year 8/9/10 horticulture students as part of their first semester practical unit. Students planned the area according to the uses the area would serve and the conditions plants would need to tolerate. Students included two sitting/eating areas in the plan, along with eight different areas of plants. These areas were designated for the display of native plants, as well as one area for a Citrus garden. A winding gravel path was installed to connect the garden and provide viewing access.

Students took part in a trip to Wail Nursery at the end of semester one and obtained their selected plants. This was a valuable experience for students as they were able to observe propagation methods and seed collection, view different varieties of plants and eventually select their species of plants. Once back at school, students planted their plants into the garden according to the genus of the plant. These included; Acacia, Banksia, Eremophila and Eucalyptus.

The garden is now entering the next stage of construction with the implementation of a bollard and chain fence, archway, seating area, watering system and various mulches. With the support of Vodaphone and Australia Conservation Volunteers, we will see this happen in the coming weeks. The school was successful in obtaining funding from Vodaphone which offers assistance from Australia Conservation Volunteers for a day. This will be co-ordinated on Thursday 17th September and will involve horticulture students from semester one.

If you would like to assist, please contact Iain Wilson as all volunteers must register with CVA to participate for insurance and liability reasons. If interested please call Iain Wilson on 54440777 or 0428 533 065 or Jarrod Tyler at the school.

Answers to Literacy & Numeracy Week Quiz

1. Out to lunch
2. One in a million
3. Split second timing
4. All mixed up
5. luna fish
6. Point blank range
7. Red in the face
8. Domino
9. missing you
10. Growing economy
11. Split level
12. Walk in the park
13. down to earth
14. Space invaders
15. Forgive and forget
16. Extended family
17. line up alphabetically
18. You’re out of line
19. Three blind mice
20. gap between rich and poor
21. Tennis shoes
22. You’re under arrest
23. Blanket
24. Ice cube

Thanks to all the families who took part, I hope you had fun and didn’t tear your hair out.

The winners were: Ashlee Tierney and Darcie Tierney, Conor Hogan, Laura Phelan, Hayden Collins and the Milne family.
The North Central Interschool Primary Athletics Sports will be held at Donald tomorrow Friday 4th September 2009

Commencing 9.45 a.m. - Friday September 4th
Donald Football Ovals – Main Oval (Years 9-12), Jeffcott Oval (Years 5-8)

Tomorrow Friday September 4th the North Central District Athletics Sports will be held at Donald. The sports will involve all children from Prep through to Grade Six. Children are required to be at Donald by 9.45 a.m. ready for a 10.00 a.m. start.

Upon arrival children will assemble in their particular age group. Student Score Cards have been sent home. These need to be brought along on the day.

Donald Primary School members will decide by 8.15am on Friday if the sports are to be cancelled owing to poor weather. Therefore if you are unsure on Friday morning because of ordinary conditions you may telephone John Richmond at school on 54 922 287 or 54 922 553 to clarify the situation.

LIST OF REQUIREMENTS
- Birchip sports uniform - red bottoms (skirt or shorts), and plain white top (polo or t-shirt)
- Sun hats and sunscreen, footwear must be worn
- Children will need to bring their own lunch and drinks as there will be no provision to purchase food and drinks at the sports ground.

The day is a standardised sports format where every student takes part in each event and is awarded a 3, 2, or 1 score depending on the standard they achieve. Children will compete in age groups taken at 31.12.2009.

- 5, 6, 7 & 8 year old students participate in sprint, shot put, long jump, hurdles, vortex throw and discus.
- 9, 10, 11 & 12 year old students participate in sprint, shot put, long distance, long jump, hurdles, vortex throw and discus.

Zone selections for 10, 11 & 12 year olds in 100m sprint, 200 m, 800 m, hurdles and relays will be made on performances during the day.

**YEAR 5 – 8 PROGRAM**

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All children must bring along their score cards to the sports on Friday.
Secondary Interschool Athletics - Tuesday 8th September 2009
Transport forms were distributed earlier in the week and are due back tomorrow (Friday). Parent attendance and support is encouraged. This will also assist with transport, however the school will provide transport for students who will not be travelling with parents.

The first events commence at 9:30 a.m., this being the first round of field events. The last event is scheduled to finish at 2:30 p.m., although the sports often run late. This will be followed by presentation of championship medals and the aggregate trophy.

Students will not be back at the school in time for buses. Consequently private arrangements will be required for bus travellers to get home from school.

It is anticipated that transport will return to school at approximately 4:15 p.m.

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<td>8. Oolong is a variety of what?</td>
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**Answers to last week’s homework questions which were due Friday 4th September 2009**

1. In which century did Napoleon Bonaparte become emperor of the French? 19th
2. In Scotland what is a kirk? A church
3. The letters in the television channel SBS stand for what? Special Broadcasting Service
4. What country do Komodo dragons come from? Indonesia
5. In 1909 Robert Edwin Peary became the first person to do what? Reach the North Pole
6. What kind of creatures are noctules? Bats
7. Does a surfboard rider called a goofyfoot, surf with their right or left foot as his lead foot? Right
8. What did Captain Cook name Hawaii when he discovered it in 1778? Sandwich Islands
9. What do apterous creatures lack? Wings
10. In what year did Siam’s name become Thailand? 1939

**Head Lice**

Head lice are appearing still.

Please check heads; carefully in sunlight if possible. If detected, as soon as they are treated, your child may attend school. Heads must be treated again in exactly seven days. Please advise the school if lice or nits (eggs) have been detected so that we are aware of the severity of the problem. Mrs Kelly is very happy to assist with any enquiries.

**Chantel Emonson**

Chantel Emonson has been selected by Cricket Victoria to be a part of the Female High Performance Academy – Youth Training Squad for 2009. This program has a strong skill development focus and aims to provide all participants with a sound preparation for the 2009-2010 season and assist in squad selections for under age state championships. Training commenced in July and is usually held at the MCG. Chantel will be travelling down regularly over the next few months to participate in sessions with a variety of different coaches and themes. Congratulations Chantel and all the very best with your endeavours.
Congratulations Miss Hicks

Congratulations to Stacey Hicks on her award as runner up in Mallee League Netball B Grade.

SACs next week
- Business Management
- Accounting
- Further Maths - Friday
- Literature
- HHD

Birchip Auskick

Congratulations to the Auskick participants who represented Birchip last weekend at Docklands Stadium.

North Central had four grid games and children from each club played displaying their skills which they acquired during their Auskick sessions. Representing Birchip were Joseph Reid, Jack Lee, Nick Martin, Madeline Paley, Rebecca Botheras, and Bill Lee. Mason Bland had the opportunity to play for North Melbourne in the Auskick Game which took place in the centre of the field during half time. Birchip also had two players, Seamus Lowry and James Paley who very kindly offered to play for the Southern Mallee as they were short of players.

Hockey

Jesse Buteux, Dean Lovett and Luke Lovett (Senjuns / Eaglehawk Under 17s) play their semi-final against Maryborough/Sandhurst on Friday night

Jamie Lovett (Senjuns Men’s A Grade) plays the semi-final on Sunday afternoon

Good luck to all sporting teams in finals this weekend:

NORTH CENTRAL FOOTBALL, NETBALL & HOCKEY LEAGUE

Netball
The C Grade netball team will play Charlton on Saturday at 3:00 p.m. in the 2nd Semi-final.

Football
The Birchip senior team will play Donald on Saturday in the 2nd Semi-final.
The Birchip reserves team will play on Sunday in the 1st Semi-final.

GOLDEN RIVERS FOOTBALL & NETBALL LEAGUE

This week the Golden Rivers Preliminary Final is to be held at Ultima.
Good luck to Nullawil Netballers and Footballers.

Netball
- A-Grade Nullawil versus Murrabit
- B-Grade Nullawil versus Hay
- B-Reserve Nullawil versus Hay

Football
- Seniors Nullawil versus Murrabit
- Under 14s Nullawil versus Hay

MALLEE FOOTBALL & NETBALL LEAGUE

Netball
- Woomelang A Grade versus Hopetoun in the 1st Semi-final
- Sea Lake Nandaly Tigers A Grade versus Walpeup Underbool in the 2nd Semi-final
- Sea Lake Nandaly Tigers B Grade versus Walpeup Underbool in the 2nd Semi-final
- Sea Lake Nandaly Tigers C Grade versus Beulah in the 1st Semi-final
- Sea Lake Nandaly Tigers Junior B versus Walpeup Underbool in the 2nd Semi-final
- Beulah Junior A versus Walpeup Underbool in the 2nd Semi-final
- Beulah Junior B versus Ouyen in the 1st Semi-final

Football
- Beulah Seniors versus Walpeup Underbool in the 1st Semi-final on Sunday.
**Birchip Watchem Junior Football Club**

Breakup and Vote Count

Monday 14th September
Birchip Leisure Centre
Start at 6.30pm
$5.00 per head for meal.

**Term Dates for 2010**

So that parents can do some forward planning the following term dates for 2010 are listed.

**Term 1**
1 February (students start) to 26 March - teachers begin Term 1 on 27 January

**Term 2**
12 April to 25 June (26 April - ANZAC Day Public Holiday and 11 June will be a student free day)

**Term 3**
12 July to 17 September

**Term 4**
4 October to 17 December

**Birchip Watchem Hockey Club**

Underage & women’s vote count & presentation day.
Sunday 13th September commencing at 12:30 p.m.
at the Birchip Community Leisure Centre
All players a dessert please
There will also be a $5.00 charge
Players, families, supporters & sponsors welcome

**Austswim Course**

An Austswim course will be held at Swan Hill on the 14th, 15th & 22nd November 2009.
Upon completion of the course, successful candidates are qualified to teach swimming.

For those requiring points towards reaccreditation, a professional development component will be conducted on both morning and afternoon on Sunday 15th November 2009.

Those wishing to do the course are asked to contact Brian Safe, phone 50 324 357.
Applications are to be in by 4th November 2009.

**Courses at the Birchip Business and Learning Centre**

**Food Handlers Course**
Wednesday 9th September 2009, 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. $80.00 per person.

**First Aid Course**
Monday 12th & Tuesday 13th October 2009 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. $175.00 per person

**Boat licenses**
Sunday 13th September 7-9pm $85 plus $20 if a PWC license is required
Minimum age 12 years (for a restricted license)
Bookings are essential!
Birchip Business and Learning Centre
Telephone: 54 922 735
Facsimile: 54 922 863
eMail: birchipblc@bigpond.com
Web: www.birchip.vic.au

My Blood’s County-
The spirit of Birchip

*(Text by Anne McClelland, Photographs Glenys Rickard)*

Available for sale $49
at the Birchip Business and Learning Centre 77 Cumming Ave Birchip or they can be ordered on line at www.birchip.vic.au
or by phoning 5492 2735

Ideal Father’s Day Present

**Youth Room Open Roster**

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Every second Sunday starting 13th September
**Introduction to Shearing & Wool Handling Program**

**Charlton**

The 3-day workshop will be conducted for young people 15-19 years in 2009 across the following dates:

**Wednesday November 25th to Friday November 27th, 2009 (inclusive)**
9.30am to 2.30pm each day.
Location: “Bushy Park”, Wright & Kaye Street, Charlton.

Included in the 3 days training will be extensive course material and morning tea and lunch will be provided

For further information please contact Sue Hill NCLLEN on 54911144 or Louise Cameron RIST 0438730973

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**BCG Main Field Day**

**‘From Surviving to Thriving’**

**Thursday 10 September 2009**

At Chris and Janice Kelly’s property
3km south of Woomelang (on Sunraysia hwy).
Come and learn about the new IMI-tolerant barley, the latest in ryegrass and brome grass control, crown rot management and much, much more!

**BCG members:** Free Entry  General Public: $30

**Breakfast** available on site from 8.30am  **Trial tours** begin at 9.30am(sharp)
## Homework!

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All Years - 15 minutes reading a day!
Birchip Watchem Netball Club
1st Semi Final Roster
Sunday 6th September 2009 at Birchip

Working Bee:
At Netball Courts at 5pm. THURSDAY NIGHT: All senior netballers.
At Stadium after school on FRIDAY 4th September, 2009: Michelle Lee, Heather Hogan, All 16 & Under A and B netballers

For Sunday:
To provide for NCNA Executive
- Reserve Parking: Sharon Flowers
- Shelter for NCNA Exec and Umpires: Obtain Two tents from Tennis Club: Fiona Best
- Bar Fridge: For Exec tent: ???? Can anyone provide one????
- Table and Chairs: Heather Hogan
- First Aid: Kit for Officials & Ice Packs: Cameron Flowers

Game Specific
- Scorers to man the two score boards during games:
  9.30am Under 13 A Hayley Hogan & Sharon Flowers
  10.20am Under 16 B Heather Hogan & MaryAnne Bell
  11.20am Under 16 A Arnna Pickering & Sophie Noonan
  12.30pm A Grade: Sharon Flowers & Heather Hogan
  1.45pm: B Grade: Simone Donnellon & Emma Hogan
  3.00pm: C Grade: Kerrie Walder & Louisa Ferrier
- Score Board: Ensure that the ‘Score Board’ is set up with the following club names printed on to cardboard and able to be stuck on the score board: Boort, Wedderburn, St. Arnaud, Donald, Charlton: Sharon Flowers
- 3 timers with new batteries: Sharon Flowers
- First Aid: Supply Two Water Buckets and appropriate cleaning materials (paper towelling and gloves) for blood rule: Jenny Hogan
- Padding of light posts and light box: Sharon Flowers

Catering
- Lolly Shop- Caravan (Just up from canteen)
  9.00am – 11.00am: Jackie Tierney, Demi Donnellon, Tayla Connelly, Bridgette Hogan
  11.00am – 1.00pm: Cathy Bales, Molly Hogan, Hayley Hogan, Darci Tierney
  1.00pm – 3.00pm: Sharlene Connelly, Cody Connelly, Sophie Hogan, Chelsi Kemp
  3.00pm – 5.00pm: Laura Ryan, Evelyn Reid, Chelsea Thompson, Emily Noonan
Late in second semester 2008 the steady production of the Birchip P-12 aquaculture system began and since then a team of students and teachers put spare time and effort into the enterprise which has finally begun to pay off with the recent arrival of 23 Murray Cod fingerlings. Through this project we experienced persistence to a great extent due to a number of challenges that presented themselves to which we applied past knowledge, creating, imagining and innovating. The project still has many “kinks” that need to be worked out but remaining open to continuous learning and thinking flexibly the system will become efficient and reliable, only time can tell.

I worked interdependently with some other year 11 students in designing and constructing the aquaculture facility.

Last week we went to Boort to look at a commercial aquaculture facility. When we saw the scale of the operation and the fish we responded with wonderment and awe. The owners of the Glencoe fish farm had to strive for accuracy to get the fish farm set up and also they had to remain open to continuous learning and gather data through many senses to ensure the fish survived and grew at their maximum rate.