Dear Families,

**Whole School Assembly**
Last Thursday we held our first Whole School Assembly for 2016. At this assembly our Year 12 students welcomed our new Foundation students to Benalla P-12 College by walking them into the stadium to meet the rest of our students and staff. This was a significant event as our foundation students commence their first year at Benalla P-12 College and our Year 12 students commence their final year. Our College Captains Kira Allen and Nathan Dowe and our Vice Captains Jamieson Nicholls and Jason Lang were presented with their badges while our Campus Leaders, House Captains and House Leaders were announced and introduced to the college community. We wish all our students a successful school year in 2016.

**Student Leadership**
This year we have introduced a new student leadership profile that allows for greater student representation from across the whole college. We are extremely excited to be able to expand the opportunities for students to undertake leadership roles and responsibilities and we know that our students will demonstrate excellent leadership skills and perform their duties to a high standard. This new student leadership structure consists of:
- College Captains and Vice Captains
- Campus Leaders
- House Captains
- House Leaders

I am very pleased to announce our student leaders for 2016.

**College Captains - Kira Allen and Nathan Dowe**
**Vice Captains - Jamieson Nicholls and Jason Lang**
Year 9 Campus Leaders – yet to be announced
Waller St Campus Leaders Term 1 – Kaylah Devlin, Georgie Morrison, Cooper Gracie & Max Woods
Avon St Campus Leaders Term 1 – Ryley Ely, Imogen Biddle, Charlie-Rose Smith, Jaiden Taylor-Parkins

Below are the House Captains and House Leaders for each House Team in 2016.

### Benalla P-12 College
#### 2016 House Captains

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#### Barkly St Campus House Captains
- Kaiden Skelton
- Bridie Willan
- Oliver Chivers
- Lauren Wright
- Harry Morrison
- Narissa Drane
- Finlay Florence
- Rebecca Robinson

#### Faithfull St Campus House Captains
- Abbey Martin
- Declan Chibnall
- Ella Woods
- Mathew Moncrief
- Brie Coppolino
- Roo Holmes
- Khesan Saunders
- James Banks

#### Waller St Campus House Captains
- Lily Walkaday
- Charlie Burfield
- Annabelle Lowe
- Cooper Woods
- Bailey Ashton
- Warren Hunter-Barton
- Charlotte Quilliam
- Hamish Willett

#### Avon St Campus House Captains
- Mia McDonald
- Hailie Maddox
- Jemma Hausner
- Dakota Lindsay White-Law
- Callum Howard
- Eliza Murphy
- Tyler Begnone
- Cliona McGinn
Benalla P-12 College
2016 House Leaders

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Barkly St Campus House Leaders

Yr 11 Emily Neilson  Yr 10 Olivia Milner  Yr 11 Zach Cooke  Yr 10 Mitchell Murray-Young  Yr 11 Ed Thomas  Yr 10 Courtney Walters  Yr 11 Sarah Green  Yr 10 Cameron Holmes

Faithful St Campus House Leaders

Yr 8 Chelton Orchard  Yr 7 Caitlin Chibnall  Yr 8 Edward Mentiplay-Smith  Yr 7 Arnica Stanley  Yr 6 Lillian Armstrong  Yr 6 Maria Campbell  Yr 6 Zeinab Osman  Yr 5 Sarah Neilson  Yr 5 Jeron Jiby  Yr 5 Chris Marshman  Yr 5 Aiden Farmer

Congratulations to all these students and I wish them a successful year in their leadership positions.

School Council Elections
All government schools in Victoria have a school council. They are legally constituted bodies that are given powers to set the key directions of a school within statewide guidelines. In doing this, a school council is able to directly influence the quality of education that the school provides for its students.

Benalla P-12 College’s School Council is comprised of 8 Parent Members, 5 DET (Department of Education and Training) Members and 2 Community Members.

School Councillors are elected for a two-year term. School council must meet at least 8 times in each year, and at least once per school term.

Parents on school councils provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills that can help shape the direction of the school. Those parents who become active on a school council find their involvement satisfying in itself and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging.

This year there are 4 Parent Member positions vacant and 2 DET member positions vacant.

Our current School Council members and their term end dates are:

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I am therefore calling for nominations for 6 Parent Members – there are two, one year positions vacant and four, two year positions vacant.

I am also calling for nominations for 2 DET members – both positions are for two years.

Nomination forms can be obtained from each Campus Office.
- Nomination forms must be lodged at your Campus Office by 4:00pm on Monday 7th March 2016.
- If a ballot is required, the list of candidates will be posted up at each campus on Wednesday 9th March.
- The ballot will close at 4:00pm on Wednesday 16th March 2016.
Welcome Evenings will be conducted on the following dates and times:
Year 9 Faithfull St Campus – Thursday 18th February, 5:30pm to 6:30pm
Avon and Waller St Campuses – Tuesday 23rd February, 5:30pm to 6:30pm
Faithfull St Campus – Years 5, 6, 7 and 8 Thursday 25th February from 5.00pm – 6:30pm
Years 10, 11 and 12 Welcome/Information evenings to be confirmed.
We warmly invite you to attend these and meet other families and get to know our staff.

Sincere thankyou
Over the past week we have been very fortunate to have two very generous donations made to the College. The first was $250.00 to the Hands on Learning Program made by a past student while the second was by the Benalla Rose City Band who have offered to sponsor one instrumental music student to attend this year's NEVR Dookie Music Camp. We are truly grateful for these very generous donations.

Student Accident Insurance, Ambulance Cover Arrangements
I would like to remind parents that the Department of Education and Training does not provide personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students. Parents and guardians of students, who do not have student accident insurance/ambulance cover, are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance/transport and any other transport costs.

Private Property brought to School
I would also like to remind parents/guardians that the Department of Education and Training does not hold insurance for personal property brought to school and it has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property. Personal property is often brought to school by students and visitors. This can include mobile phones, calculators, toys, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises. As the Department does not hold insurance for personal property brought to school and has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property students should be discouraged from bringing any unnecessary or particularly valuable items to school.

Best wishes for the week ahead.

Barbara O’Brien
College Principal.
Students Of The Week!

Congratulations to our students of the week pictured above are Dakota, Audry, Emily, Sunny and Riley.

Parents & Friends Association Meeting

Friday 20th February 2016
9.00am in the staff room.

Please join us on Friday for a cuppa and a chat to discuss some fundraising ideas for 2016. Everyone is welcome, we hope to see you!

Avon St Campus Leaders

Avon Street school Photo’s
Monday 22nd February

Students are reminded to wear their correct uniform and to hand their envelopes directly to the photographer. Each office has family envelopes for those wanting family photos.

Avon St House Captains

Avon St Campus Leaders

Benalla P-12 College
Avon St Campus
Welcome BBQ

Please join us to celebrate the start of the 2016 school year.

Tuesday
23rd February 2016
5.30-6.30pm
Free sausage and bread. BYO Drink (no alcohol)
chairs & picnic rug

This is a great opportunity for everyone to meet the staff and other families.

We look forward to seeing you!

Every School Day Counts
Attend today, achieve for a lifetime!
21 Year 4 students nominated for the role of Campus Leader in term 1.
The speeches were of a very high standard and the voting was very close!
The four successful nominees were:
Max, Georgie, Kaylah and Cooper

Students of Week

Our students of the week for Week 2 were:
Back - Monique, Amity, Zaidyn, Hannah, Josh & Jaxson
Front - Haylee, Thomas, Finn, Josh, Jason, Archie & Jack

School Photos
Tuesday 23rd February 2016
Remember to wear correct uniform and bring your best smile!

Term 1 Campus Leaders

Great Success at Breakfast Club!
There was great excitement on Tuesday morning when we opened our kitchen early for our first Breakfast Club. With our Chaplain Viv Long as the organiser and co ordinator, and lots of teachers, parents (and even a senior student) as helpers, for a while we thought there would be more adults than children. But word quickly spread and the inviting smell of fresh toast soon wafted out into the playground and our first customers started arriving. Thirty five of them all up. It is a great way to start the day, with lots of happy conversations and the chance to get to know different students and members of staff – as well as a nourishing breakfast!!!! So remember next Tuesday – get to school nice and early (8:15) and come and join our Brekky Club. It doesn’t cost a cent and it is lots of fun. Thankyou Viv.

BBQ Party

Benalla P-12 College
Waller St Campus
Welcome BBQ

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All Welcome!
In primary school, some students miss on average 3 weeks of school per year. That's half a year of school by the end of year 6.

Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child’s education. Students learn new things at school every day – missing school puts them behind.

Why it’s important
We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day.

If students miss school regularly, they miss out on learning the fundamental skills that will set them up for success in the later years of school.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes.

Each missed day is associated with progressively lower achievement in numeracy, writing and reading.

Getting in early
Attendance patterns are established early – a child regularly missing days in kindergarten or in the early years of school will often continue to miss classes in the later years, and receive lower test scores than their classmates. It’s vital that students go to school every day – even in the early years of primary school.

What we can do
The main reasons for absence are:

Sickness – There are always times when students need to miss school, such as when they’re ill. It’s vital that they’re only away on the days they are genuinely sick, and setting good sleep patterns, eating well and exercising regularly can make a big difference.

It’s vital that holidays are planned during school holidays where possible, and not during the term if it can be avoided.

“Day off” – Think twice before letting your child have a “day off” as they could fall behind their classmates – every day counts.

Truancy – This is when students choose not to go to school without their parent’s permission. There can be many reasons for truancy. The best way to address this is for schools and parents to work together.

If for any reason your child must miss school, there are things you can do with your school to ensure they don’t fall behind:

• Develop an absence learning plan with your teacher and ensure your child completes the plan.

Remember, every day counts. If your child must miss school, speak with your classroom teacher as early as possible.

Openly communicating with your child’s school about all absences is a good way to prevent attendance issues being escalated to a School Attendance Officer. A School Attendance Officer is a Department of Education and Early Childhood Development Regional Director who has authority to follow up attendance issues. Attendance issues that are escalated can lead to an infringement Notice.

If you’re having attendance issues with your child, please let your classroom teacher know so we can work together to get your child to school every day.

For more information and resources to help address attendance issues, visit: www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/behaviour/Pages/studentattendance.aspx

Department of Education and Early Childhood Development

www.benallap-12college.vic.edu.au
**Dookie Music Camp**

The Benalla Rose City Band is pleased to offer sponsorship for one instrumental music student to attend this year’s NEVR Dookie Music Camp.

We are looking to help out a student, with promising musical talent, who without financial assistance could not attend.

Applications can be collected from Mr Roberts at the Faithfull PAC.

Music Camp application forms are also available at the Faithfull PAC to attend this long running instrumental music. To attend you should play a string, brass, woodwind, percussion instrument/s or guitar or sing. This is a residential camp over three days being held this year at Beechworth during the first week of term 2.

Mr Roberts
Performing Arts Leader

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**Year 7 Mentor Day-Nillahcootie**

On Monday the 8th and Tuesday the 9th of February, the Year 7 Group attended a Mentor Day at Camp Nillahcootie. 7A and 7B attended the camp on Monday accompanied by Mr Hazell, Miss Perkins and Mr Smith while 7C and 7D went out on Tuesday accompanied by Miss Collins, Mrs Arendshorst and Clare Martin. Lou McCloskey and Di Grech (School Wellbeing) attended both days to spend time with the students and get to know them. The activities included a rope swing, moon ball and plank walk. These activities focused on teamwork and communication and all students had a ball. It was a great day out and some records held by previous camp attendees were broken by our students. The Year 7 Team are hoping to utilise this fantastic facility again later in the year.

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**Music F-4 Avon & Waller**

**DRUMMING CIRCLE**

We are pleased to announce that our Drumming Circles will continue this year.

Many of the students across all the grades have taken to drumming and enjoy relaxing by playing the beats on their own or with a group of friends.

Drumming has so many benefits such as feeling connected to the others in the circle, developing team work, refining motor skills and helping to reduce anxiety and stress. Some children have expressed an interest in buying their own drum. This will give students the opportunity to practice the rhythms at home and also allow us to have a larger drumming circle. We have school drums they can use in class so please do not feel that it is a requirement as they are quite expensive. We have managed to get a school rate through our supplier African Drumming in St Kilda.

Prices (Including postage) are

- $110 for a 10” Djembe
- $30 for a coloured cover

Please get order forms from Pam Gregg (Music P-4) or at the front offices. We will be sending the order on Monday the 22nd so all orders will need to be in by Friday 19th February. Unfortunately late orders cannot be accepted.

Thanks
Pam Gregg
YEAR 9 FAMILY BBQ

THURSDAY 18TH FEBRUARY
Benalla P-12 College Year 9 Centre
5.30 – 6.30 pm
Learn more about the Year 9 Program
Meet the staff
Bring the family

Students of the Week!

Pictured above are Nicole, Nicholas, Ewan, Maddy, Anika, Taree, Imogen and Tarnia. Congratulations and well done to you all.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS
FAITHFULL STREET CAMPUS

Our Parents and Friends Committee is here to help with organising Activities, Events and Fundraising for our school that caters to our students in years 5-9.

Whether you are a Parent, Guardian, Grandparent, Aunt or Uncle of a student at our campus then you are welcome to help.

You can take an active part by coming to meetings to discuss fundraising ideas and events for our school or just helping at events, activities and fundraisers.

All money goes towards helping our school have facilities and host events that can be used by our students as well as their families.

A Meet and Greet will be held on March 3rd 2016
Faithfull Street Hall
12.45 -1.30
Benalla P12 College
Faithfull Street Campus
(03) 5761 2777
p-f.benallap12.faithful@outlook.com
Rachel 0400 095 364

www.benallap-12college.vic.edu.au
YEARS 10-12 BARKLEY STREET CAMPUSS NEWS

KOKODA 2016 INFORMATION NIGHT

Tuesday February 23rd 2016
7pm
(For approx. 1hr)
Theatrette, Barkly Campus
Benalla P-12 College

Each year Benalla P-12 College offers only Year 11 students the unique opportunity to walk the Kokoda Track. This year will be the 7th year the school is running the trip. The trek is open to all current Year 11 students. We welcome all interested students and their families. This night is purely an information evening and no commitment is required in any way on the night.

Please come along and have a listen to information about:
- What the Kokoda Trek is like?
- Costs
- Dates
- Preparation for the trek (including training)
- Staff attending
- Fundraising
- Requirements of students
- Overview of Equipment
- Listen to past students who have walked the track talk of their experience

YEARS 12 STUDY CAMP

Our Year 12 students participated in the annual study camp on the 4th and 5th of February. Made possible by the generous financial support of the ‘Tomorrow Today Foundation’, the camp is designed to prepare and support students for their final year of schooling. Over the two days, students participated in sessions covering topics such as study skills, ‘looking after yourself’ and creative writing. We were lucky to have Michael Donehue from ‘Alcocups’ join us to provide drug and alcohol education which included students getting the opportunity to wear ‘fatal vision goggles’ as they attempted to perform simple tasks. A formal dinner was followed by a presentation by respected author, Archie Fuislio. Archie spoke of his time at school, his hardships and triumphs - a highlight of the camp for many. In addition, students were able to get their adrenaline pumping by completing outdoor challenges including the vertical slide, flying fox, power pole challenge and a high ropes climbing course.

We are incredibly proud of the way the Year 12s conducted themselves at the camp; how they supported each other, volunteered for different tasks and upheld our school values. Thank you to all staff who attended or assisted with the camp, especially Luke Elkington, Clare Martin, Kellie Cairncross and Richard Hubbard. Congratulations to Year 12 Coordinator, Richard Hubbard, and Kellie Cairncross (2015 Year 12 Coordinator) for organising such a successful camp.

Rebecca Pell, Senior Sub-School Leader.

PHOTO DAY AT BARKLY:

On Monday February 22nd the photographers will be on Barkly campus to take individual, Mentor group and family photos as needed. It is really important that students give the photographer their envelope and wear the correct uniform for photos. It is pleasing that all students are respecting the uniform requirements and are showing pride in the uniform.

UNIFORM:

Over the next week or so, we will be focussing on school uniform, and in particular, student footwear and the shorts some girls are wearing. Please support our uniform policy and ensure students attend school in the correct uniform.

SIGNING IN AND OUT OF SCHOOL AT LUNCHTIME:

When students are picked up from school at lunchtime, parents are requested to come into the office and sign their son or daughter out of the school. Students are not allowed to just leave and go down the street to buy lunch. We have a duty of care to look out for our students during this time. Students can go to the pink shop and buy lunch at lunchtime if they wish. We have a staff member on duty to support students that go to the shop during lunchtime. The cooperation of parents and carers would be appreciated with this process.

ATTENDANCE:

Attending school every day contributes to improved learning outcomes for all students. We are working hard to encourage all students to attend all the classes and commit to achieving success. If students are experiencing issues that impact on their attendance, they are encouraged to speak to the relevant Year Level Coordinator or Mentor Teacher. If we work together, we can create a supportive and safe learning environment for all.

“Every day counts.”

Paul Challis
Barkly Campus Assistant Principal
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Why it’s important

We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day.

Students develop good habits by going to school every day – habits that are necessary to succeed after school, whether in the workplace or in further study.

Missing school can have a big impact on students academically and socially. It can affect their test results, including VCE, and, just as importantly, it can affect their relationships with other students, and lead to social isolation.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes.

Each missed day is associated with progressively lower achievement in numeracy, writing and reading.

Getting in early

It’s never too late to improve attendance – going to school more often can lead to better outcomes. Even at Year 9, when attendance rates are lowest, going to school more often can make a big difference. Every day counts. Schools are there to help – if you’re having attendance issues with your child, speak to your school about ways to address those issues.

What we can do

The main reasons for absence are:

Sickness – There are always times when students need to miss school, such as when they’re ill. It’s vital that they’re only away on the days they are genuinely sick, and settling good sleep patterns, eating well and exercising regularly can make a big difference.

“Day off” – Think twice before letting your child have a “day off” as they could fall behind their classmates – every day counts.

Truancy – When students choose not to go to school without their parent’s permission. There can be many reasons for truancy, the best way to address this is for schools and parents to work together.

While all absences are bad for academic performance, unexcused absences are a much stronger indicator of lower reading and maths achievement.

If for any reason your child must miss school, there are things you can do with your school to ensure they don’t fall behind:

- Speak with your classroom teacher and find out what work your child needs to do to keep up.

- Develop an absence learning plan with your teacher and ensure your child completes the plan.

Remember, every day counts. If your child must miss school, speak with your classroom teacher as early as possible.

Openly communicating with your child’s school about all absences is a good way to prevent attendance issues being escalated to a School Attendance Officer. A School Attendance Officer is a Department of Education and Early Childhood Development Regional Director who has authority to follow up attendance issues. Attendance issues that are escalated can lead to an infringement Notice.

If you’re having attendance issues with your child, please let your year level coordinator, principal or other relevant staff member know so you can work together to get your child to school every day.

For more information and resources to help address attendance issues, visit: www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/behaviour/Pages/studentattendance.aspx
Wellbeing News

**Getting Help Tips with Reachout.com**

Knowing where, when and how to get help around mental health and wellbeing is vital for everyone, particularly for young people. People come in all different shapes and sizes, and so too does mental health help! Young people can access help online, via the phone and in person at school or via an outside service. Whether a young person thinks the thought is silly, more serious, or an emergency, there are services in your community where trained professionals can assist. For young people figuring out when they might need help and where to get help from, ReachOut.com can assist!

**When you might need help**

Whether it's something that might seem silly, something pretty serious, or a total emergency, there are help services with people that have been trained to be able to point you in the right direction.

**Online and email help**

There's a few different types of services online. Some of the good places to go are:

- **Forums.** A lot of places provide online forums, question and answer services, or support groups. The ReachOut.com forums are often a good place to start to get questions answered by other people who have been through tough situations before.
- **Online counselling.** A lot of services like Lifeline, headspace and Kids Helpline offer online chat or email counselling, to make it easy to talk to someone without exposing yourself. Check out the key ones on our help page.
- **Online mental health programs.** There are a few online mental health assessment tools or programs. Chat to a doctor, counsellor or psychologist if you want to try one out, or have a go at some of the free ReachOut.com online tools in the Apps and Tools section.

**Telephone help lines**

There's a bunch of different telephone help lines offered by different services. They usually have trained counsellors, often young people, to give advice or direction.

- **If you need urgent help** there are a few of the best general counselling / support telephone help lines on our help page.
- **Need support for a specific topic?** Many services exist that specialise in a particular life issue - like sexuality, alcohol, sexual assault etc. Check out those topics on the site to see if there are any phone services we have listed.

**Face-to-face help**

A lot of the time, it's best to chat to someone face-to-face about what you're going through. Working out what's going on will be much easier and quicker if you have professional help. If it's a mental health question, your doctor is actually a good place to start - they can give a quick assessment and find someone in your area for you to talk to. They can also write a referral which can help 'introduce you to a service.' For info on the different types of face-to-face help check out our info on different types of counsellors and professionals.

**Emergency services**

If someone is hurt, suicidal, if there is an emergency situation you can't deal with on your own, or if you think someone's safety is at risk you should call emergency services by dialling 000. It's always better to be safe.

**Where to start**

Still not sure what type of help will get you where you need to go? Give a 24 hour service like Lifeline (13 11 14) or Kids Helpline (1800 55 1800) a call and they can usually give a little advice and point you in the right direction.

**Support in school**

- Classroom or mentor teacher
- Student Wellbeing Support workers. Craig Carley at Barkly and Lou McCloskey at Faithfull
- School chaplains at Avon, Waller and Faithfull campuses

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**Breakfast Clubs at Benalla P-12 College**

Come along and enjoy a healthy, yummy and friendly start to your day at-

- **Waller St Campus,** Tuesdays from 8.15am
- **Avon St Campus,** Fridays from 8.15am
- **Faithfull St Campus,** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays from 8.30am.

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**I can make a difference**

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**CSEF APPLICATIONS**

Funding is available to help families with the cost of Camps, Sport & Excursions. If you hold a valid means-tested Centrelink Card (ie Health Care Card, Pension/Veterans Affairs Card, Youth Allowance Card) please contact the school asap to complete your Application Form. There is no age restriction on this funding, your child just needs to be enrolled at school and your Centrelink Card valid to be eligible.

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**FOCUSING ON HOME LEARNING/STUDY**

Engagement and Achievement
Developing a Love of Learning

To get done what they need to do, it is essential for students to apply themselves for well-structured periods of time out of school time; home learning.

The key is to spark in them a willingness to build these study sessions as everyday habits in their lives.

They pursue their interests, hobbies and sport with enthusiastic dispositions; we need to nurture these dispositions so that they are portable in their learning and thinking.

To strengthen their Engagement and Achievement, in each session they should have a number of things they set themselves to achieve; little targets to aim for.

These sessions vary in time and intensity according to their year level and are very much dependent on the students’ concentration spans.

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**Free Cooking and Budgeting Sessions for parents and kids**

Discover new ways to balance your food and budget.

**Where:** Waminda Neighborhood House
19 Ballintine St Benalla

**When:** Tuesdays in Term 1:
- 9th February 12-2pm
- 23rd February 3-5pm
- 8th March 12-2pm
- 22nd March 3-5pm

Sessions are free and open to children and their parents in Benalla.

To book your place please call 5761 4500 or Waminda 57624528

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# Avon Campus

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## Expression of Interest for Before School Care

We would like to hear from families who may use a Before School Care program at the Benalla P-12 College, Avon and Waller Campus. Similar programs operate at other schools and run from 7am to 9am. Children would be provided with a substantial breakfast such as cereal, toast, crumpets, muffins, porridge, milk and juice. Fun activities would be provided by the carer to occupy the children, prior to them leaving for the start of school at 9am.

The cost would be slightly cheaper than After School Care, as the session would run for less time. We estimate the cost for each morning to be $9 per child. Families claiming Child Care Benefit would receive a reduction in this cost. We would need at least 5 children each morning to initially set up the program.

To determine the viability of starting this program, we need feedback from families.

Please complete the survey below and return it to the Avon or Waller Campus as soon as possible.

**FAMILY NAME:** ____________________________  **CHILD/CHILDREN’S NAME:** ____________________________

**My child attends:**    Avon Campus- [ ]  Waller Campus [ ]

**I would be interested in a Before School Care program:**  **YES** [ ]  **NO** [ ]

If yes, please indicate your needs: **Please tick**

- [ ] Monday
- [ ] Tuesday
- [ ] Wednesday
- [ ] Thursday
- [ ] Friday
- [ ] Casual only

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WANT TO TRY TENNIS – WE CAN HELP
FOR YOUNG AND OLD
ALL ABILITIES CATERED FOR
THURSDAY EVENINGS 5.30PM – 7.00PM
JUST TURN UP
SMOOTH SOLED SHOES NECESSARY
ALL OTHER EQUIPMENT CAN BE SUPPLIED
FUN, FUN, FUN AND ENJOYMENT

When - Commences Thursday 25th February 2016
Where - Ackerly Ave courts
Time - 5.30pm – 7.00pm
Everyone interested in tennis is invited to come along.
More Information – 0407 487207

Our ten week program aims to assist you to:

* Develop a stronger and more positive relationship with your child/children
* Manage everyday behaviour problems
* Set rules & limits
* Teach new skills
* Developing behaviour strategies

Through our service you will receive a workbook and weekly phone calls with a parent educator. All of this can be done from the comfort of your own home at a time that suits you.

Interested?
For more information or to enroll phone FREECALL 1800 880 660

ENROLMENTS TAKEN ALL YEAR ROUND

Start now and make a positive start last a lifetime

This service is funded by Department of Human Services Victoria