BENALLA P-12 COLLEGE FIJI EXCURSION

A group of ten students studying Health and Human Development in Year 12, along with two Benalla College staff have been working hard to plan an amazing trip to Fiji for the June/July holidays this year. They will be visiting the capital Nadi, hill villages and beach resorts to experience life in a developing country. This will include touring local city and rural hospitals and health centres, meeting local nurses and teachers, living with a family in traditional Fijian huts and seeing Australian aid projects in action.

The students in year twelve Health and Human Development class are studying Global Health and study the differences in health status between Australia and developing countries. Teacher, Narelle McInnes said “They explore the reasons for these differences and learn about the role of aid organisations such as AusAID, the UN and the World Health Organisation in addressing health and development in developing countries. The tour to Fiji will allow students to see what is studied in the course first hand so that they can draw on this knowledge throughout their studies, as well as allow them to reflect on how they live compared to others around the world”.

Benalla P-12 College is hoping many people in the community can come along to the screening of Oz – The Great and Powerful, a movie night that has been organised to support students getting to Fiji and to help local aid projects. They are hoping to assist the local Fijian hill community to purchase a fresh water pump, enable a teacher to be formally trained for their school or gain important medical equipment for their health clinic. These would all give long term sustainable assistance to our Fijian friends into the future.

The film will be at BPACC on Friday 3 May commencing at 5.30pm. Tickets are only $15 and there will be door prizes, games and a raffle draw. You also have the chance of winning a Coffee Machine with capsules, $100 Coles Fuel Voucher or $50 Coles Voucher!

If you would like any further information you can contact Miss McInnes or Mrs Halligan on 57612777 at the Faithfull Street Campus.