Mrs Hobbs’ Headlines…

Working Bee
A huge thankyou to all the parents who attended the garden working bee last week, your efforts have made a huge difference to the garden beds and is very much appreciated. THANKYOU for your continued support.

Raising Concerns and Complaints
All parents receive the college pamphlet dealing with ‘Raising Concerns and Complaints’ (this can also be accessed on our website).
There are times when parents will have a concern that needs to be addressed at a school level, this is as simple as a phone call, which usually clarifies an issue very quickly, or a follow up meeting can be helpful.
We live in a small community and staff do have personal lives where they interact with many parents through community organisations, however staff do have a right to privacy and should not be approached out of school hours, by phone, email or directly about issues of concern.
Please ring the school during business hours to have your concerns dealt with in an appropriate and professional manner.

Excursions
Thankyou, to parents who promptly return all the permission forms on time for the many excursions that are happening with various year levels. Prompt replies certainly assist with the organisation of these events.
We have a number of students out this week including: the Yr. 9 students visiting with the Gilmore Girls College in Footscray. As you will remember we host the Gilmore girls earlier in the year and for a rural experience and now our students share Gilmore girls experiences of life in the city.
Good luck to our Yr. 10 & 11 who are on work experience, this is a valuable program which provides students with a taste of a career that they may be interested in.
Last week the Outdoor Ed. Students along with students from Goroke P-12 enjoyed a surf camp.
Thankyou to Mr Brennan and Mrs Ferguson (staff member from Goroke) for organising the camp.

‘Celebrate what you want to see more of.’ Tom Peters
School Bus Times
Please be at your designated stop on time as buses should not wait beyond the time of pick up or drop off. Being punctual allows for the system to run smoothly and on time without inconveniencing other passengers.

PARENTS & FRIENDS XMAS RAFFLE
Raffle Tickets have been sent home. If your Child did not come home with a Book for you to sell can you please contact Maria in the Office. There are spare Books available from the Office if you would like to support our School even more & sell more than 10! Can you please have your Tickets & Prize donation into the Office at least a week before Awards Night, allowing time for the Hampers to be put together. Any queries or concerns please contact Kate Wardlaw

Booklists 2016
Booklists for all Students have been sent home. If you intend on ordering through either Slade’s Newsagency or Warrnambool Books the completed orders can be returned to the College or these retailers no later than Friday 11th December for Slade’s Newsagency or Wednesday 9th December for Warrnambool Books.

Breakfast Club winds down for 2015
Last Wednesday was the final week for Brekkie Club for 2015. Pictured above are some of the smiling faces of children enjoying the normal offer of toast, juice and milo and a special treat of raisin toast and slices of fruit. Thank you to the many volunteers who have contributed your time and friendly support on a regular basis, as well as our sponsors of bread and honey - Baker’s Delight in Hamilton and Heather and Bill Falkenberg. We hope to see you all again next year!
Cherryl Amery, School Chaplain

Library Books
As the Library is now closed for stocktaking, could everyone please return all Library books asap (especially those that are leaving the College at the end of this year). Please check your bookshelves at home as there are many overdue books. Invoices will be sent home at the beginning of next year for outstanding books that are not returned.
Many thanks, Tania Shalders

Christmas Cakes
All those who ordered Cakes & Puddings they will be ready to go in the last two weeks of school. There are also some extra cakes for sale they are available to purchase in the general office, just see Maria. (6” & baby cakes)
Thanks for supporting the Home Economics Centre
Jackie Grant

Balmoral Community Christmas Party and Carols
We are looking for interested children who would like to participate in approximately 3-4 songs as part of a school group during this event. There would be some lunchtime practises needed before this event. Please fill out the slip below and return it to the front office if you are interested in participating in this event.

Student’s Name: ____________________________________ Year Level: _______

☐ I am interested in performing with a group of school students at the Balmoral Community Christmas Party & Carols.
☐ I understand that I will need to commit to lunchtime practices.
Parent/Guardian Signature: ____________________________
Term 4 Calendar

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Do you have something you would like the school to advertise?
Please email photos and details to the schools Publicity Officer, Alex Mason, (mason.alexandra.l@edumail.vic.gov.au) and we will publish it in either the School Newsletter, the School Website and/or the School Facebook Page. Thank you.

BCC INFORMATION SESSION ATTENDANCE FORM

Please tick the box to indicate which information session you will be attending:
- Kinder Information Session – 11th December 9am
- Prep Information Session – 4th December 12:45pm
- Middle Years Information Session – 11th December 1pm

Family Name: _________________________________________

Number of people attending: ____________

Parent/Guardian Signature: ____________________________