**Student Enrolments for 2016.**

It is getting close to that time of the year where planning for 2016 begins. The college's financial budget is very much dependent on the number of students who are enrolled in the college. Student numbers determine how much money we receive in the cash budget from the government and also the staffing budget.

The college is very proud of the quality education that is provided and the subject selections that are on offer at a senior level. Students have access to specialist teachers who are highly qualified in their subject areas from Prep to Year 12. The staff are dedicated to providing a diverse education which encompasses growth academically and personal wellbeing.

We know and care about all of our students. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss your child's educational future.

Please return the ‘Student Intention for 2016’ form to the college by **September 4th**. (Can be found under the Calendar)

**Sporting Events**

We have both the girls and boys Hockey 7's competition and the Year 7/8 boys' football on this week. Good luck to all teams.

Weather permitting the college athletics sports will be held on Thursday 20th August. Students have already started training in their PE lessons and we look forward to some healthy house competition on the day.

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**Letter from Chloe Russell:**

Thank you to everyone who supported me for my trip to Perth for the national U12 Girls' Hockey Championship. My Victorian team had a successful tournament finishing third by winning 4 games and loosing 2. First we played ACT and won 1-0. Then we played South Australia and won 4-0. The next day we played Western Australia and won 2-0 and played Queensland and lost 0-4. After the rest day we played Tasmania and won 2-0. On the last day we played New South Wales and lost 0-2. It was very exciting when I scored a goal against South Australia. It was great fun playing at such a high level of hockey. I was very happy with how I played throughout the tournament and I improved my skills a lot.

The rest day was great because we got to watch the Hockeyroos (Australian women's hockey team) train and we also got their signatures. We also went to the Fremantle gaol.

The hockey fields were a great facility to play on. I liked the opening ceremony because it introduced the teams. The closing ceremony was good too. I liked how after each game we swapped a Victoria badge for one of the other teams' badge. Overall I thought the whole tournament was excellent.
Balmoral Students Get Involved at Sheepvention

Sonia Gaussen wins Junior Judging Competition
Sonia Gaussen spent the Monday of Sheepvention working as a steward for the Poll Dorset Association. On Tuesday, she went on to win the Junior Sheep Judging competition, which is becoming a rather prestigious event for students. Sonia had to compete against at least 50 other students, so her win was quite an achievement. Part of her prize was a new chainsaw, so if you need any tree-lobbing!

White Suffolk Judging: a Second and a Fourth!
A number of Ag Science students assisted with the showing of Mr. Lewis' White Suffolk stud sheep at Sheepvention. These included Jacob Duggan, Jaspar Bowman, Chloe Shrive, Patrick Sullivan, Lewis Hobbs and Rachel Duggan. Leading the sheep in a highly competitive environment was very challenging, but provided great experience for future events. The students (and the sheep) came home with a second and a fourth place in the novice ewe class.

The BCC Athletics carnival is seeking parent helpers to run the events on the day. This helps make the day run easier and ensures that the events run successfully. If you can offer your assistance, please return the slip below to the office, or alternatively email the school balmoral.k12.cc@edumail.vic.gov.au to let us know if you are available. Thanks for any assistance you can offer.
Mark Kuchel
Athletics Coordinator

BCC Athletics Carnival Parent Helpers Return Slip

Student Name: _________________________________ Year Level: ______
Parent/Guardian Name: ________________________________ Contact Phone Number: ___________________

☐ I am able to help at the BCC Athletics carnival.

Times I am available to help: (Circle appropriate)

All Day  Morning  Afternoon  Other: ______
Hockey 7’s
Good luck to all students who are participating in the GWR Hockey 7’s Carnival in Dimboola on Friday. Thanks to Mr Brennan and Anita Weaver for coaching the teams and thanks to parents who are transporting and supporting the teams on the day.

Yr 7/8 Football
Good luck to the Yr 7/8 boys for Wednesday as they participate in the football carnival in Hamilton with Good Shepherd.

State Hockey
Congratulations to Chloe Russell for the amazing achievement last week when competing with the Victorian Under 12 Hockey team in Perth. We are very proud of Chloe’s achievement and commitment to this event and it was pleasing to hear that her team earned a bronze medal for the championship. Well done Chloe.

Athletics Carnival
Our school athletics carnival will be held on Thursday 20th August at the school oval weather permitting. More information will be coming home during the week.

Thanks
Rhonda

HOT SCRUMPTIOUS LUNCH DAY
MONDAY 17th AUGUST
PASTA BAKE
$3-
Money in by this Friday please.

THANK YOU to Kylie and Heath McClure and family for donating some new Tonka toys for the sandpit.

Unfortunately to another clash with a professional development opportunity and parent teacher interviews, I won’t be available during parent teacher interviews. I will be available after the School Athletics carnival should you wish to catch up with me, or alternatively we can make a time that suits. Please email me on kuchel.andrew.m@edumail.vic.gov.au or phone the school to make a time that suits.

Thanks, Mr Kuchel

KINDER NEWS
This term we have been learning about space! Ms Deb is on placement and she has chosen the topic of space, which includes mathematics, science, literacy and many more learning areas. We have been building rocket ships, space stations, alien masks, space people and many more space experiences. To finish off our space learning we invited our dads and grandfathers to come to kinder at night for a casserole tea and to look at the stars! We were very lucky to have Mr Tom Middlebrook come with his telescopes and teach us some new information about the solo system. Even though we invited the stars and moon unfortunately they did not turn up. However, it was still a wonderful night to get to show our dads our kinder and all the wonderful things we have been learning about.
## Term 3 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.

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**SCHOOL INTENTIONS FOR 2016**

RETURN TO FRONT OFFICE BY FRIDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER

STUDENT NAME: ____________________________________________________________________

CIRCLE YOUR INTENTION:

- Will be attending BCC
- Will NOT be attending BCC
- We are undecided

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**ATHLETICS DAY BBQ**

Please support the Parent’s & Friends BBQ on Athletics Day

Thursday 20th August.

Hamburgers, Sausages & Cold drinks available for purchase from 12noon.

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**School Photo Order Forms** are going home Tuesday 11th August. Carefully follow the instructions on the envelope and return to the front office by Friday 28th August.

Anyone wanting Family Photos, please contact the office so an envelope can be sent home.

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**Whole school assembly**

25th of August

Arrive at 2.30 for a 2.40 start