Help Wanted

This year VCE students are studying "A Man for all Seasons" by Robert Bolt. We are having difficulty in locating enough copies and were hoping that Community Members may be able to assist with loaning us copies. If you have a copy that you would be happy to loan please contact Ms Bev Munro. Thanks

Week Two
1-5 Feb
First Day Kindergarten 9-12.30
3-6 Swimming

Kindergarten 9-12.30
3-6 Swimming

Week Three
8-12 Feb
Parents & Friends AGM 7pm

Kindergarten 9-12.30

Week Four
15-19 Feb
Kindergarten 9-1.30

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Off This Planet Incursion P-10 Preps Welcome

Week Five
22-26 Feb
Kindergarten 8.45-1.45
(Bus Travel)

Week Six
29 Feb - 4 Mar

Week Seven
7-11 Mar

Week Eight
14-18 Mar
Labour Day
Public Holiday

Week Nine
21-24 Mar
Term 1 Ends
Enjoy the Holidays

Good Friday
Happy Easter

2016 Term 1 Planner

Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday

Balmoral K-12 Community College

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Mrs Hobbs' Headlines

Dear Students, Parents & Staff

House Captains

Being a House Captain at either a Junior or Senior level is a position which is held in high regard at the College. House Captains play an important role in assisting with the organisation of sporting and house events and are mentors and role models for students’ rights across the College.

Students who have nominated to be House Captains have the opportunity to present a speech to students and staff on Friday 5th February at 12:45pm in the hall. Parents are most welcome to attend this event.

Reporting

This year the way that the College reports to parents will look a little different. At the beginning of each term parents will receive a ‘Reporting News’ bulletin which will outline what your child will be doing in each subject for the term. This information allows for parents to be aware of the general topics being taught and may assist in conversation starters at home when you enquire about what your child is doing in the classroom.

At the end of each term you will receive a report which outlines your child’s progress against the topics covered for the term.

As always if staff have any concerns about student progress they will contact parents and parents are more than welcome to contact the college to arrange to speak to the relevant teacher if there is a need.

The Reporting News bulletin will be out early next week. The staff looks forward to hearing your feedback with regard to the new reporting system.

Staffing

Mr Keiren Brennan is the College Sports Coordinator for 2016, I wish Mr Brennan all the best for the year. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Rhonda Merryfull for her outstanding job in this role over many years and I know that she will continue to support Mr Brennan through this transition stage.

Mr Victor Selway is the careers coordinator for our senior students and he will assist with work experience and managing subject selection for career pathways. Students have settled in well to their new classes and the staff look forward to a great year working with and engaging students to develop their full potential.

Drought Support Funding

Parents who live in the West Wimmera and Horsham shires may be eligible for some funding to assist with Educational costs (see table, next page). There will be more information on this in the weeks to come.

Congratulations to the Winners of the Australia Day Chameleon Arts, Art Competition for Prep-4, Ruby Wardlaw, 1st, Archer Cameron, 2nd, Eliza Smith, 3rd.

Thanks to all students for their amazing work in showcasing our wonderful country!

Betty Perry

Parents and Friends AGM Meeting

To be held Monday 8th Feb @7pm BCC Meeting Room
Please come along and give your support
All Welcome

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Volunteers required for Balmoral Community College Breakfast Club

To commence our Breakfast Club program this year we are looking for some new volunteers. This would be a wonderful opportunity for grandparents or community people to reconnect with the school and to input into the lives of the future generation of young people. The only qualifications are to be friendly and enthusiastic! Volunteers help prepare toast and Milo for the 30-40 students who pop in for a quick top up after their long bus journey to school. The commitment would be for about an hour every 3 or 4 weeks on a Wednesday.

If you or anyone you know may be interested could you please contact the school. We need more volunteers to sustain this very popular and worthwhile program.

Cherryl Amery  
School Chaplain  
5570 1247

Swimming Sports Cafe

The Home Economics students will again be running our BCC Cafe at the swimming sports. Coffee (hot or iced) Tea, Hot (or iced) Chocolates, Muffins, Biscuits and fruit will be available on the day. Depending on the weather drinks will be hot or cold!

This is the first event for our up and coming Barista’s for 2016, and also a fund raiser for the kitchen renovations happening later this year. More info next week.   Jackie Grant

Balmoral Lap Club 2016 Season

This season of lap club will begin on Tuesday 2nd February, Time: 7:00pm-8:00pm, $3 per session  
All lap club members are required to be current members of the Balmoral and District Swimming Pool. This Tuesday could all swimmers and parents please meet at 7:00pm, we will have a quick meeting prior to the first training session.  
Please bring: Towel, goggles, appropriate swimwear (no board-shorts), hair tied back with swim caps for girls, drink bottle & fins.  
Thank you and we look forward to seeing you at the pool.

Student packs

Student packs will be going out this week. Please read carefully, complete and sign where required and return all the completed forms to the Office by Friday 12th February 2016. Each pack should also include your Family Statement, if you have any questions or you wish to discuss a payment plan please contact the Business Manager.

Please note:
1. Families with an outstanding debt from 2015 have had these charges included in their 2016 statement.
2. Instrument Music fees will be charged later in the Term once all applications have been received.
3. New Prep students have not received a pack as they received their packs at the end of 2015.

These forms are an important part of keeping accurate up to date records for your student and the College would appreciate the prompt return of these forms and any student payments.