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Dear BCCS Community,

As the school year quickly comes to a close, there is much to celebrate about our year and the learning achievements of our students.

Students Learning on Show

Many congratulations to our students, parents and staff over the past few weeks for their outstanding representation of our school in the Bairnsdale Show and the Rotary Junior Community Award.

We, particularly, celebrate with our K4 Foundations class, for their best Exhibit award with their decorated cupcakes; the creative adventure that our Year 5 girls achieved, with entering the wearable art section. Thank you to the students who served at the Bairnsdale Show's Animal Education Centre - James Carroll (year 2) Eliza Moore (year 2), Naomi Turnley (year 4) and Noah Turnley (year 6). Thank you to Lynne Brehaut and Rachel Turnley (parent) for coordinating with the school, students and parents for the entries to arrive and return from the show.

Our congratulations also goes to Lincoln Betts and Noah Turnley on receiving their Rotary Junior Community award, last Tuesday Night. To receive this award these students across 8 months and outside of school hours are required to complete activities in four areas of community life - Community Service, Physical Recreation, Social Experience and Skills; presenting a completed diary and portfolio of evidence of their achievements and learning adventures throughout this award. Both Noah and Lincoln presented a great speech at their presentation evening and at last Friday's assembly. Well done, Noah and Lincoln!



Thank you parents and teachers for your support, assistance, guidance and resourcing of our students' passions and interests.

From Admin,

The Office Sign In/Out

process is now digital. Please see Robyn for assistance if you need to sign your children in or out using the ipad. You will need your 'kiosk code' to do this which can be found in your uEducateUs login.

uEducateUs Thank you to those who have updated their details! Please ensure if you haven't already, to review & update your contact details in uEducateUs, especially the emergency contacts.

Book Club catalogues are attached. Please ensure your orders are placed, with payment included, by the **28th Nov.**

Canteen is Friday 30th Nov. Order slips are attached and are **due back on the 28th Nov.** Late canteen orders will not be accepted. Please ensure your order includes a name, year level & payment.

Student Free Day THIS Friday 23rd November.

Holiday Office Hours

9:00am - 2:00pm
Closed - From 19th Dec
Re-Opens- 14th Jan 2019

2019 Newsletters will only be available electronically through uEducateUs, email or on our website.

Scripture Encouragement

'Praise the LORD! The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in Him and He helps me.'

Psalm 25:6-7

Prayer Points

- Favor with government authorities
- Celebration events coming up at the end of the year.
- Students completing their music exams in the coming weeks.

Praise Points

- Much needed rain.
- Great response to BBQ in the Mall.
- Excellent entries into the Bairnsdale Show.

Camp Coolamatong

Recently, our Prep to Year 5 classes had a unique opportunity to experience camp. It was the lakeside camp this year, where students completed bush craft creations, worked together making, cooking and eating damper, and did all things water based, like canoeing and rafting. The food was plentiful and the sharing of special (junk) foods in the Tebins is always a part of the experience. Camp Coolamatong is a truly exceptional place and our photos show everyone who attended would agree. From raft disasters to damper eating and night activities, everyone was happy and exhausted by the time they went home.



Thank you to everyone involved in making it happen. Special thanks to the Camp Coolamatong team, Mr Micallef for coordinating at the school end, and all the teachers and staff for the time spent investing in our students.



It's All About Growth

As we reflect across the year, there have been a number of small new approaches and innovative processes developed throughout the school, since I first arrived. We are pleased with the many achievements, some small and others significant, this has provided for our students across the year.

Preparing for 2019, as a school leadership team and community, we are positioning ourselves for growth. Our class structures are focused on teaching and learning, that uses the Australian and Victorian curriculums, to meet every student's learning development more personally; growing student achievement through developmental phases of learning rather than pushing students through a narrow and rigid learning channel of the Year level approach.

The preparations for this renovation of learning has begun, and at times, it feels messy and everything is covered in dust. Sometimes, there is literal dust, as experienced by our *Year 6 students* who have been developing a legacy project as a way to gift and inspire future students of the school. With the help of the Men's ministry group from Bairnsdale Baptist Church, including Peter Taylor who is on the ground coordinating between the school and the church ministry team and Mr Johnston who oversees our maintenance and grounds work here at the school, our year 6 students are actively participating in preparing :



- garden beds for a school munch and crunch garden and program, as part of the sensory garden plans.
- a water garden, designed around upcycling one of the tractor tyres and secretly, may contain fish.
- the foundations of digging holes for the stumps of playground puzzle seating that will be placed at the treeline near our loose parts playground. Thank you to Doug Hubbard for coming into the school and teaching our Senior boys about PPE and tool wear and tear in the construction industry. You had them fascinated! Thank you in advance to the BBC Men's ministry team, who will be doing a working bee at the school on Saturday Dec 1; creating some of the bigger structures of the plans.



Our Staff

- Our teaching team continue to receive further training and professional learning to upskill and grow in their thinking, understanding, practice and confidence. Thank you to Peter Hutton, CEO of Future Schools Alliance and Associate Professor Jennie Bickmore-Brand, Director, of the Centre for the Future of Schooling at Alphacrucis College for travelling to us and providing professional assistance in our context.

Our Facilities

- Our structural and learning environments will see some further changes, as we move into 2019, to prepare our school for a strategic future of continued quality education that nurtures our students to be the best person they can be in an increasingly complex and confusing world. One of the significant features you will notice will be the removal of our demountable library building. Resources of the library will be located in appropriate classrooms; our library service, will be done differently in developing a reading hub and inspiration hub - areas containing books and text in a variety of formats to engage students in reading and accessing information with purpose.

It is only through all of us working together that we create a great school. I am very proud to be the Principal.

Celebration Night

Thursday Dec 6
K4 - Year 6
Riviera Christian Centre
Beginning at 6pm

Our end of year Celebration Night, will be showcasing how we are "One Body, but Many Parts" with **all classes** from Kinder to Year 6 presenting an item. The students are looking forward to displaying their talents after the many practice sessions they will have had with their teachers. We look forward to acknowledging our talented and accomplished students. It will be a great way to end the year and say farewell to our Year 6 students. Looking forward to celebrating the end of the 2018 school year with all our wonderful Bairnsdale Christian Community School families!

Blessings, Lynn Morrison



Christmas Christian Bookshop

Monday 26th November - Thursday 29th November:

We are excited to welcome Helen Rose who will be supplying us with a selection of wonderful books available for purchase. With every purchase a donation will be given to the school to support us in providing quality education. Viewing times: 8:30am - 10am & 2:30 - 3:30pm in the meeting room.

Calendar Snapshot

November

19	20	21	22	No students 23	24/25
Newsletter	BSC 1/2 Day Orientation (Y6 Only)		Fireside Chat 2:30pm	Report Writing Day	
26	27	28	29	30	DECEMBER 1/2
		Bookclub orders due		Assembly (1/2)	
		Canteen orders due		Canteen #2	

Bairnsdale Show Results

Congratulations to all our students who entered something into the Bairnsdale show. All the entries were of high quality and we are so proud to have you all be wonderful ambassadors for our school.

SEWING	WEARABLE ART	PRE-ROBOTICS	PHOTOGRAPHY
William & Grace Davidson 1st - Soft toy	Gabriella Scollary 3rd - with a garment titled "Earth Hour"	James Carroll 1st - Commercial movable objects	Tanah Ahchow 1st - Colour
	April and Anna also produced beautiful wearable art. Great effort girls!	James Carroll 2nd - Movable objects	Tanah Ahchow 2nd - Black & White



CRAFT	HORTICULTURE	COOKERY
Anastasia Carroll - 2nd- Construction LEGO	William & Grace Davidson 2nd - Arrangement of flowers in a container	Naomi Turnley - 1st - Slice of any variety
William & Grace Davidson 1st - Construction Wood	William & Grace Davidson 1st - Floral Saucer	Naomi Turnley - 2nd - VAS Boiled Fruit Cake
Naomi Turnley 1st - Any article not provided for.	William & Grace Davidson 2nd - Decorated Foam Eggs	Noah Turnley - 1st (with Ribbon) - VAS Boiled Fruit Cake
Lincoln Betts 2nd - Construction other medium		KIndergarten Students - 1st - Class entry for decorated cupcakes.

Enrol Now for 2019

Do you know anyone who wants to be a part of the BCCS community?

Invite them to book a tour with the Principal.

Don't forget to mention the change of office hours across the summer school holidays.



**BAIRNSDALE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY SCHOOL
2019 ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN**

Vacancies across all year levels, Kinder - Year 6.
To learn more, call 5153 0079 to book a tour
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