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VISION STATEMENT

Our vision is to empower our students and staff to work together to become active and valued community members. We provide a safe and supportive learning environment, which fosters independent, resilient lifelong learners.

BDS Motto: 'Achieving Excellence Together'

BDS Beliefs and Values: Pursuing Excellence in all Areas



We ask that students are not on the school grounds before 8.40am each day as supervision is not provided before this time.

DIARY DATES

June

25th Last Day Term 2 3.30pm finish

26th Report writing day. **Student free day.**

Term 3 starts 13th July

August

12th Finance Meeting

19th School Council Meeting.

Principal's Report

Term 2 Reminiscence

This has been a challenging term for all of us – students, staff and parents. Covid-19 has forced us all to look at our work/life balance and to consider what we believe to be best for ourselves and our families.

As a staff, we thank you all for helping us teach your children make this an enjoyable and rewarding experience as we navigated our way through remote and online learning. We were not without our problems and issues but we did work together and we are coming out the other side.

Staffing – Next Semester

We will welcome Deneb Dodson to our school at the beginning of next Term as he steps in for Edwina Chalmers as she takes her leave. He will be teaching the Digital Technology classes (F-8) as well as Foundation Numeracy and Integrated Studies. Ros Lanyon will pick up Foundation Literacy. Both Ros and Deneb will shadow Edwina for a few weeks.

School for Student Leadership

We have three intrepid travellers heading to the Alpine School at the beginning of Term 3. Phoebe Malone, Alyssa Boyd and Carissa Haw are going to the School for Student Leadership for Term 3. They were only confirmed as being able to go last week due to Covid-19 shutdowns. We wish them all the best.

Survey Results

All parent survey results and comments from remote learning are attached to the email with this newsletter.

Reports

Year 11 students and VCAL students will receive their hardcopy reports tomorrow. No comments are attached. Please log into Xuno and see all the feedback given to all students from this semester. Updated feedback will be completed by 4pm this Friday.

Holidays

The staff hope everyone has a happy and safe holiday. Remember to continue your hygiene focus and take care if you travel outside our boundaries. All students will return to school on Monday 13th July.

Lee-Anne Sherwell

Principal

Principal's Availability over the Next Week

Thursday	Friday
At School	At School - Last Day Term 2 – Pupil Free day for report writing and correction

Second-hand uniforms.

Boort Op Shop has available plenty of second-hand uniforms for a small cost. They have various sizes and various items for purchase. The Op Shop is open on Tuesday and Friday at 10am to 2pm and on Saturday at 9am to 12noon.

Semester 2 subjects for Year 7-11 students

Students were provided with information regarding Semester 2 classes yesterday. Students can prepare books and folders for these classes, ready to start next term.

Student Reports

All students / parents / carers will receive Xuno reports at the end of this week. These reports will highlight student engagement with remote learning and link this to the Personal and Social Capability. Reports will be produced for VCE Unit 1 students and VCAL students. These will go out at the end of the week.

Tom Bleicher

Study Club

Time: 3:45 to 4:30 pm **Day: Thursday** **Venue: Library**

Study Club will continue on Thursday after school of this week for students of Boort District School.

We can help in most areas of your education and provide a place for you to complete your homework, catch up with missed classes and consolidate your learning.

Please sign in at the front office, as this is after school hours, the school is required to know which students are still on the premises. It would also be appreciated if you would mention to us beforehand that you plan to join the club on any one Thursday. Then, we will know who to expect for tuition.

Mr Guorong Chen: Mathematics

Mr Chris Poole: English and Humanities

Mme Siân: Science and Languages

Lego Writing

The Year 6 students enjoyed making their 'Lego creations' to use as a prompt for their narrative writing.



2020 END OF YEAR DATES

VCE Unit 4 (Year 12 and some Year 11 students)

Last day of classes	Thursday 29 th October
Year 12 dinner	Thursday 29 th October (To be confirmed)
Study days	Friday 30 th October – Friday 6 th November (To be confirmed)
Unit 3/4 and VET exams start	Tuesday 10 th November
Last Unit 3/4 or VET exam	Tuesday 2 nd December (presuming)

VCE Unit 2 (Year 11 and some Year 10)

Last day of Year 11 classes	Friday 13 th November
Study day	Monday 16 th November
Unit 2 exams start	Tuesday 17 th November
Unit 2 exams finish	Friday 20 th November
Kickstart program begins	Friday 20 th November - Period 4
Kickstart program ends	Thursday 26 th November
Last day for Year 11 students	Thursday 26 th November

VCAL

Last VCAL day Intermediate and Foundation	Thursday 26 th November
Last VCAL day Senior	Wednesday 28 th October (if all Outcomes completed)

Correction / Report Writing Day

Friday 27th November (Student free day)

Year 10 and Years 5-10

Last day for Year 10 students with employment is Friday December 4th
Monday 7th December would be the last day at NCTTC for Year 9/10 students.

Activities Program

Wednesday 9th December – Year 6 to 7 step up
Thursday 10th – Tuesday 15th December F-10

Presentation Night 5-12

Tuesday 15th December

Celebration afternoon F-4

Wednesday 16th December – P-4
Wednesday 16th December - Year F-5 step up

Finish

Friday 18th December – 1.00pm finish (Student free day)

Year 12 ATAR Release Date

Wednesday 30th December

The Parliament Prize 2020 - entries now open

Dear Parents,

We're writing to let you know that entries are now open for the 2020 Parliament Prize competition for Victorian school students in Years 5 to 12. We hope some of your student may be interested in entering.

Students are invited to submit a video of a 90-second statement they would make to Parliament if they were an MP. We want to hear about the issues they care about that affect their community. Students who wish to enter can submit their video via our website, where you will find more information about the competition and the entry terms and conditions.

Visit <https://vicparl.news/ParlPrize>.

There are cash prizes available for students and schools. Entries are due by Friday 14 August 2020. We hope some students from your school will be interested in entering. Also, if you want to keep up to date with the education programs and resources provided by the Victorian Parliament, you can sign up to our education e-bulletin *Springboard* via [this link](#).

Kind regards,
Bridget Headlam
Community Engagement
Parliament of Victoria

COMMUNITY NEWS



TAKING BOOKINGS
FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE

VICTORIAN POLICE
BRIC will be hosting the
FREE Firearms safety course.

To be held at:
Boort Resource Information Centre
119 -121 Godfrey St, Boort
6.15pm – 9.30pm

Ages 11 and 9mths Up

**Please register your
interest by June 26th 2020
5455 2716**




**SCHOOL HOLIDAY
NETBALL CLINIC**
SWAN HILL STADIUM

Thursday 2nd July 2020
9am - 11.30am: 7 - 11 yrs
12.30pm - 3pm: 12 - 15 yrs
Cost: \$45 per participant

Limited spaces available due to COVID-19 restrictions

Every participant receives a Netball
Book Online: www.juliecorletto.com

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KIDS YOGA

Healthy bodies, healthy minds and lots of fun



Starting in Term 3, 2020
Suitable for kids roughly aged 4-8yo

Please contact Victoria with expressions of
interest on 0409556526 or
lakeyogaboort@gmail.com

<https://www.facebook.com/lakeyogaboort/>



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Surviving School Holidays

We know, it seems like your kids have just gone back to school, and now it is holidays already! We have some tips to help you through.

Self-Care

Remember to look after yourself. Enjoy spending extra time with your kids, but don't feel guilty about doing something that you enjoy. By looking after yourself, you can be more energised and positive for your children.



Expectations

Know that not every day will go to plan. Children have just got back into a routine of going to school. It may be difficult adjusting back to holidays. Be calm and patient to help them adjust. Take notice and enjoy the time you spend with them.



Activities

With restrictions easing you can spend time with your kids doing activities these school holidays. Involve your children and ask them to write down some ideas. It can be tempting to go out to do something every day. Try to have a balance of going out and staying home. Remember to have 'lazy' days.



It's Okay to be Bored

Sometimes it's okay for your kids to be bored. Don't feel bad about not always 'doing something'. Let your kids use their imagination. This can also help develop initiative.



Ask for Help

Don't be afraid to ask for help, if you need it. Ask grandparents if they would like the kids for a day. Grandparents and kids would both love this. Seek support from and offer support to other parents.



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