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NEWSLETTER

30th Aug 2019

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear Parents/Guardians,
Dear Parents,

This Sunday is Father's Day, which allows us the opportunity to celebrate the significant men in our lives and the gift that many of us have been granted through fatherhood. This weekend, take the time to celebrate fatherhood and parenthood. The ultimate example for us of fatherhood is in our loving God who made his Son, Jesus, present to us in the world as an example of how to love. Happy Father's Day!

BRIGHT SPARKS

Week 2 of our Bright Sparks program sparked more fun, mess, brain power and action. Our 'good sports' participated in circuit training with 9 stations of activities, working different areas of their body;



Our 'artists' worked on creating their personalised stencils for screen-printing;



Our 'iRoboters' built some very cool robots with many spinning blades and accessories (look out Robot Wars!);

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Fri 30th Aug

Black Ranges Yr 7 Basketball

Tue 3rd Sep

Mindfulness Day Yr 9

Fri 6th Sep

School Social

Mon 9th Sep

Student Free Day - staff PD

Tue 10th Sep

Black Ranges Yr 8 Basketball

Thu 12th Sep

Yr 7/8 Volleyball

Fri 13th Sep - Fri 20th Sep

Japanese trip

Mon 16th Sep

Greater Western Athletics

Tue 17th Sep

Horsham Primary Schools Transition Day

Wed 18th Sep - Thu 19th Sep

Ss Michael and John's Grade 5/6 visit.



Our 'table tennis players' played both fast and furious with some great competition being had between both pairs and singles;



Our 'chefs' produced the delicious aroma of tasty homemade sausage rolls;



Our 'scientists' were very cautious as they zapped one another using the Van De Graaff generator (aka Big Silver Ball!), as well as getting messy, as is the norm, while making some colourful, fluffy, gooey slime!

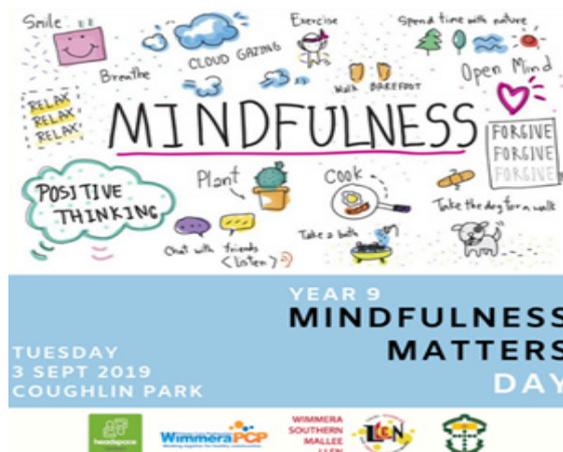


SRC ENTERTAINMENT

Our SRC has organised a "Bad Prom" social for Friday, 6th September at the Coughlin Park Community Centre commencing at 7.00pm and concluding at 10.30pm. With the theme of "Bad Prom" all attending are urged to dress up in their "worst best" costume and make the night a memorable one. Tickets are \$5 from the Front Office. Students will not be allowed to leave unless parents are present to pick them up with supervision being provided by our staff.

YEAR 9 MINDFULNESS MATTERS DAY

Following on from the continued success of this day, our next Year 9 Mindfulness Matters day will run this Tuesday, 3rd September at Coughlin Park Community Centre. This day, organised by Year 12 Senior VCAL students Sara O'Connor and Chloe Barry, promises to be most enriching for our Year 9 cohort and will focus on giving students strategies to cope with periods of stress and anxiety. Well done, Sara and Chloe.



SCHOLARSHIPS

St Brigid's College regards life as learning. A St Brigid's College education is about life and everything we do is an opportunity to learn. We are very clear about what drives our decisions around teaching and learning; it is about the fun of challenge, the exhilaration of change. It is also about engagement and capacity to change; about passion and clarity; about a chance to bring something extra to the ordinary.

We believe that, in cooperation with the learner, inspiring and exceptional teaching produces extraordinary achievement for every student. Our school's commitment to achieving outstanding results means that, from Year 7 through to Year 12, we work to create an explicit culture of awareness about everything that our students do in their school lives. Firstly, they are 'fired up' to learn and then prepared to participate fully in the process that will ensure individual success. We help students set clear goals, establish standards and closely monitor their progress.

We work on the formula that:

passionate belief + inspiring with exceptional teaching and learning = extraordinary results.

Applications are now open to apply for our 2020 scholarships. For full details and application forms please click the link to go to our website: <https://www.stbc.vic.edu.au/learning-teaching/scholarships/>



PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Many thanks to our staff, parents and students who attended our Parent/Teacher interviews earlier this week despite the cold weather conditions. It appears that the interviews were informative and beneficial. If, however, a parental concerns remain unresolved following these interviews, I ask parents to contact me via email at pgutteridge@stbc.vic.edu.au with an outline of the concern and why the concern remains unresolved.

MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY KWONG LEE DOW YOUNG SCHOLARS PROGRAM

For any students currently enrolled in Year 10 and interested in attending Melbourne University in the future, the Kwong Lee Dow Scholarship will be open for applications from Monday, 2nd September and close on Monday, 14th October. The scholarship provides winning students with access to VCE seminars at Melbourne University, membership of the Melbourne University Library, access to the student portal, and \$2,500 relocation funds. Selection is based on academic performance, leadership potential, community involvement and school nomination. For full details, eligibility and application information, visit: futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/kld.

STAFF NEWS

We wish Julie Marchesini safe travels as she commences 6 weeks Long Service Leave.

Yours in the community of St Brigid's College,

Peter Gutteridge
Principal

As part of the VET (Vocational Education and Training) Small Business training package the students will be involved in many different Industry tours over the year.

Today our class was very fortunate to have a visit at our local Radio station 3WM and The Weekly Advertiser. Students learnt about the many different aspects of such a diverse business that operates in our town and the surrounding regions. They learnt about the day to day operations, company structures, staffing and qualifications/ skill sets needed to be successful in the business. The Weekly Advertiser Manager also spoke to the students about the growth of the paper and the brainstorming behind the initial idea that has indeed contributed to the success of the business. We thank the team at Ace Radio for giving up their time and sharing some of the interesting business stories with our students.



The BAD PROM Social

6/9/19

GET READY TO RAID THE WARDROBES AND OP SHOPS FOR THE WORST BEST CLOTHES YOU CAN FIND FOR THE 2019 BAD PROM SOCIAL!

WHEN: FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 6TH
7:00 - 10:30

WHERE: COUGHLIN PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE

COST: TICKETS \$5 EACH FROM THE FRONT OFFICE

- SOFT DRINKS \$1.50
- FREE FINGER FOOD AND WATER AVAILABLE
- PRIZES FOR COSTUMES AND GAMES TO BE WON ON THE NIGHT

WHO WILL YOU BE TAKING?

CANTEEN ROSTER

TIME: 9.00am - 11.15am

Mon 2nd Sep	Kendall Seater
Tue 3rd Sep	Joan Velthuis
Wed 4th Sep	Theresa French
Thu 5th Sep	Sheena Kirby
Fri 6th Sep	Louise Kemp
Mon 9th Sep	Student Free Day
Tue 10th Sep	Mel Murray
Wed 11th Sep	Clare Dunn
Thu 12th Sep	Pauline Barber
Fri 13th Sep	Michelle Stehn

T.A. INTERVIEWS

TEACHER ADVISOR REPORT SCHEDULE

TERM 3 2019

Week 7 30th Aug	Yr 9
Week 8 6th Sep	Yr 8
Week 9 13th Sep	Yr 7
Week 10 20th Sep	No TA Interviews

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

Year 8 student, Daisy Sudholz competed in the School Sports Victoria National Cross Country Championships over the weekend and ran an impressive 9th place out of 82 competitors from across the country!!

Congratulations Daisy on such an amazing achievement! Your hard work, dedication, training and focus have most certainly paid off. Well done!

Congratulations to Grace Manserra who won the Wimmera Netball League U 15 Best and Fairest.

Also to Will Brennen who came runner up in the Wimmera Football League U 17's and Adrienne Lupton who came equal runner up in the Wimmera League U 14's.



DR DELANY AWARDS

This week's recipients of the Dr Delany Awards are:

YEAR 11 & 12

Hannah Bone

Awarded for her excellent results in Psychology.



YEAR 9 & 10

Nadya Nugraha

Awarded for her hard work and consistency towards her studies.



YEAR 7 & 8

Jed Hermans

Awarded for his excellent results in Maths.



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National Assessment Program

NAP NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

Civics and Citizenship

Information for parents and carers

This year, a sample of Year 6 and Year 10 students from across Australia will take part in a national online sample assessment in Civics and Citizenship.



What is the NAP – Civics and Citizenship sample assessment?

The NAP – Civics and Citizenship (NAP–CC) sample assessment is a national assessment of the achievement of Year 6 and Year 10 students in civics and citizenship education.

The NAP–CC sample assessment supports the goal of Australian schooling for students to become active and informed citizens. In doing this, the assessment collects information about students' civics and citizenship-related knowledge and understanding, attitudes, beliefs and behaviours.

The purpose of the online assessment is to inform schools, education ministers and the community about the levels of student achievement in civics and citizenship education among Year 6 and Year 10 students across Australia.

The assessment has been designed to measure the range of students' performance against a proficiency standard. All participating schools will receive reports summarising their students' results.

Who will be assessed and when?

Around 12,800 Year 6 and Year 10 students from approximately 640 government, Catholic and independent schools in metropolitan, rural and remote locations will participate in the sample assessment. Students will be selected by drawing a random sample of schools in each state and territory across Australia. A sample of students within each of these schools will then be selected to complete the assessment.

What does participation mean for your child?

If your child is selected to take part, he or she will participate in a world-class assessment designed by education experts in civics and citizenship.

The online assessment is intended to test your child's level of knowledge and understanding of civics and citizenship matters. Your child is not expected to study for this assessment, and last-minute preparation is unnecessary.

The assessment is designed to bring out the best in students and to encourage full participation by making the test an engaging experience.

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Why is this assessment being done?

The main purpose of the national Year 6 and Year 10 Civics and Citizenship sample assessment is to monitor and report on the overall progress being made towards achieving high standards of civics and citizenship knowledge and understanding in Australia.

Students' achievements in civics and citizenship will be described in a national public report to be published in 2020. No individual school or student will be identified in the public report.

Additionally, schools taking part in the assessment benefit in several ways:

- ▶ All schools taking part in the sample assessment will receive reports summarising their students' results.
- ▶ School summary reports will be linked to the Australian Curriculum.
- ▶ Teachers from participating classes will be able to reflect on the information to enhance teaching and learning programs in Australian schools.
- ▶ Students will have the opportunity to engage in a national online assessment.
- ▶ Sampled schools will become familiar with the technical capabilities required to engage in online assessments.

What does the assessment comprise?

Activity	Description
Practice questions	Students complete a small set of questions to familiarise themselves with the type of questions they can expect.
Part A: assessment items	All students answer a series of questions which include multiple choice and short answer questions.
Part B: student survey	Students will complete a survey regarding their civics and citizenship-related attitudes, beliefs and behaviours.

Further information

If you have any questions about the NAP-CC sample assessment please talk to your child's teacher or school principal, or visit www.nap.edu.au

UPCOMING EVENT!!!

YEAR 9 MINDFULNESS MATTERS DAY 2019

On Tuesday 3rd September all Year 9 students will be participating in the Mindfulness Matters Day to be held at the Coughlin Park Community Centre. The day is being organised by VCAL students Sara O'Connor and Chloe Barry and will focus on giving students strategies to cope with periods of stress and anxiety. This event is being supported by Headspace, LLEN and Rural Outreach. Further information will be emailed to Year 9 students during the week..



Active Girls Brunch

Last week a group of our Yr 7 students participated in the Active Girls Brunch. They enjoyed a body balance session with Kylie from YMCA. Kaitlyn Ashmore, who plays for North Melbourne Women's AFL league, spoke to the girls about her sporting achievements and learning experiences through these different sports. She spoke about the impact on social media and how important it is to "be brave, ignore it, and look past that stuff". The open forum, where the girls could ask questions, provided the girls with some great learning opportunities and key messages to take away. The biggest thing; girls can play sport and we should never be deterred! We then heard from some local inspirations in the sporting field who offered knowledge on their experiences. They spoke about dealing with the challenges of an adolescent's busy schedule but how important it was to be involved in sport or to be active daily. Sport has offered them so many rewards from being a release for stress, a social outlet to meet people, and just heaps of fun! We heard from netballers, AFL enthusiasts and those involved in equestrian! They expressed the importance of planning your week and getting a good amount of sleep! The girls then finished with a beautiful colourful lunch before walking back to St Bs along the river track.



WESTERN VICTORIAN CAREERS EXPO SURVEY WINNER!

CONGRATULATIONS to Year 10 student Darcy Fehner who was one of the winners of the expo feedback surveys this year. After attending the Careers Expo in June students were given the opportunity to provide feedback to the organising committee and to then go in the draw for a prize. Congratulations Darcy on winning \$50.00.

Lions youth of the year

Would you like to:

- Enhance your prospects for entering tertiary education and gaining employment?
- Develop new friendships and networking opportunities with other like-minded students?
- Optimise your leadership and citizenship qualities and play a constructive role in the community?

The competition is open to students who will be between 15 years old and 19 years old at 30th June 2020.



NHILL LIONS COMMUNITY MARKET



Jaypex Park

Nhill, Victoria

**Sunday
15th September
2019**

9 am – 1 pm

Contact Kerrie - 0401 246 811 or Lesley - 0419 135 132 Email: NhillLionsCommunityMarket@gmail.com
Facebook: www.facebook.com/NhillLionsCommunityMarket/

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APPRENTICE SERVICE TECHNICIAN

HORSHAM DEALERSHIP

A great opportunity exists for the right applicant to begin their career as an Apprentice Service Technician working with O'Connors Service Department, servicing and maintaining a range of heavy vehicles in the workshop and out in the field.

The successful applicant will demonstrate a great passion for the agricultural industry and be competent with:

- Competent literacy, numeracy and computer skills
- Communication skills
- Commitment to the job
- Ability to work in a team and individually at times

Completion of year 12 is required and must be willing to attend training sessions throughout the apprenticeship.

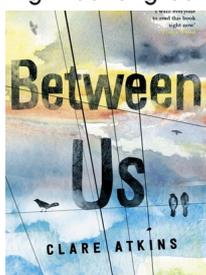
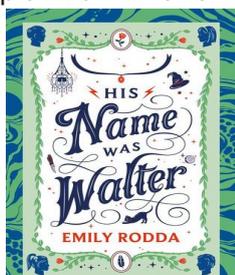
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LIBRARY NEWS



WINNER YOUNGER READERS

From Australia's favourite storyteller comes a story, within a story, that shows us the extraordinary power of true love and solves a decades-old mystery. 'Once upon a time, in a dark city far away, there lived a boy called Walter, who had nothing but his name to call his own ...' The handwritten book, with its strangely vivid illustrations, has been hidden in the old house for a long, long time. Tonight, four kids and their teacher will find it. Tonight, at last, the haunting story of Walter and the mysterious, tragic girl called Sparrow will be read - right to the very end ... From one of Australia's most renowned children's authors, comes an extraordinary story within a story - a mystery, a prophecy, a long-buried secret. And five people who will remember this night as long as they live.



WINNER—OLDER READER

Anahita is passionate, curious and determined. She is also an Iranian asylum seeker who is only allowed out of detention to attend school. On weekdays, between 8am and 3pm, she can be a 'regular Australian girl'. Jono needs the distraction of an infatuation. In the past year his mum has walked out, he's been dumped and his sister has moved away. Lost and depressed, Jono feels as if he's been left behind with his Vietnamese single father, Kenny. Kenny is struggling to work out the rules in his new job; he recently started work as a guard at the Wickham Point Detention Centre. He tells Anahita to look out for Jono at school, but quickly comes to regret this, spiraling into suspicion and mistrust. Who is this girl, really? What is her story? Is she a genuine refugee or a queue jumper? He begins to snoop behind the scenes, as Jono and Anahita grow closer.



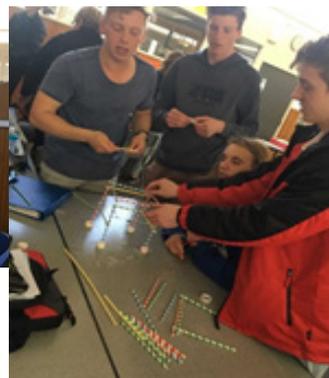
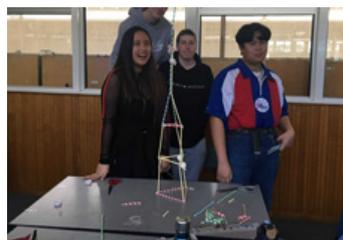
CAREERS NEWS

Weekly Career News

- * Key Websites for people interested in trades and vocational learning
 - * Interested in human behaviour? Study psychology!
 - * Charles Sturt University is search for their 2020 student engineers
 - * Focus article – how to find the right pathway for you
 - * Love media, IT and being creative – you may enjoy digital media
 - * Information Technology scholarship programs
 - * Key ICT Career Websites
 - * Upcoming open days
 - * Dates for your diary
 - * Upcoming Defence Force career events
 - * University application dates – early closing dates for some courses (Yr 12)
 - * University early entry programs – several are closing soon (Yr 12)
 - * Interested in studying marine science?
 - * University applications – how to apply for courses in Victoria, NSW and Canberra (Yr 12)
- To view the full Careers News please visit our website

SKILLS OF THE FUTURE

Last week in Pathways to the Future year 10 students were asked to consider what would be the skills required for jobs of the future. Some of the skills identified were Critical Thinking, Communication, Collaboration and Creativity. Students competed in a Critical Thinking Activity where they were required to work in teams and using 40 straws, sticky tape and 5 marshmallows create the tallest free-standing structure in 25 minutes. Below are some photos of the different teams in action.



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