

# Benton Junior College



## **Our Mission:**

*To motivate to learn; to teach to think; to encourage to imagine,  
and to show the compassion to care globally*

## **Production**

What a fantastic event!!! Congratulations to our students, staff and parents who were involved, you should all be incredibly proud of what you have achieved. I was amazed at the professionalism of the production. The confidence that our young students showed was first rate. Why would we go to a production in the city?

Well done to Mr. Richards who oversees this mammoth production. I would also like to give a big thank you to all the other staff who gave up their lunch times to teach dance routines and work with the choir. Can I also give a big thank you to all the parents who have chauffeured their children to the production over 3 nights? Special Newsletter to follow.

## **Crossing Supervisor**

As many of you may be aware Bob our crossing supervisor on Longwood Drive is retiring. We will organise a farewell for Bob as soon as possible. Our Visual Arts leaders are making a card for our school community to sign. The card will be in the office area, so please feel free to come in and sign the card and leave a message for Bob. I know he will be missed by all our school community.



## **Planning for the 2016 School Year**

Although it may seem some time before Christmas, we are already very busy planning for next year. Our staffing situation takes a considerable amount of time, as does student class allocations. Parents are requested to write to me if they have an educational request for consideration when placing their child in a class next year. All letters must be received by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November.

## **College Council**

Our College Council meeting is next week on Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> October in the staffroom at 5.30pm.

## **Fourth Term**

I am sure you are well aware that fourth term always goes extremely quickly, there are so many extracurricular activities happening. We have camps for Year 4 and 6 and excursions to the Zoo, Scienceworks and Imax along with our production and Year 6 Graduation to name just a few.

16th October 2015

## *Newsletter*

## *Diary Dates*

### **OCTOBER**

Monday 19th

Whole School

Aladdin Production

Wednesday 21st

Year 6

Reach Rookys Workshop

Friday 23rd -

Thursday 29th

Book Fair

Tuesday 27th

Prep

Responsible Pet

Program

Friday 30th

Day for Daniel

Gold Coin Donation

### **NOVEMBER**

Tuesday 3rd

Melbourne Cup

Public Holiday



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## Prep Information Nights

Last week the Prep team along with Mrs Foster conducted two information nights. These were well attended, and parents were able to listen to this year's teachers explain what happens in Prep especially during the first few weeks. If you know of anyone who is yet to enrol could you please remind them to do so as soon as possible as we are now commencing making up our classes for 2016.

Kerry Griffin, Principal

## Sports report, Jabyn Hogarth

We recently had 28 Benton students competing in the Southern Peninsula Division Athletics carnival at Ballam Park. From these many talented superstars we now have a further 9 who have progressed onto the next level- Southern Metro Region! This is a fantastic achievement as it is one step before the State carnival. We wish the following athletes well in their events:

Taylah G- 1500m, Jarrod G- 1500m and 8000m, Chloe P- Hurdles, Jamie W- Hurdles, Charlotte D- Triple jump, Sophie B- High Jump, Ethan SA- High Jump, Chelsea N- Shot Put, Sarah C- Triple Jump.

## LOTE-Chen Zhao and Kirby Mitchell

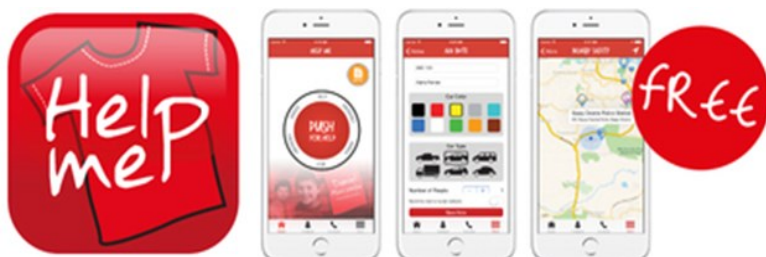
During the first two weeks in term 4, each year level has started to focus on lessons relating to the inquiry they are conducting in their classes. In Year One, we explored a traditional Chinese story 'The Ten Suns' by watching a video and designing a background. Year Two learned five technology words including mobile phone, computer, TV, air-con and bulb to enhance their current inquiry. Year Three started to explore the Chinese history and as part of the task, they were expected to put the major Chinese dynasties in the right order.

### Day for Daniel- Friday October 30<sup>th</sup> - 'Wear red and educate!'

Day for Daniel is an annual day of action to educate communities about keeping children safe. The day was established by the Daniel Morcombe foundation. Benton Junior College has registered for this and we are asking students to wear **red** and bring a **gold coin** donation on this day. All funds raised go towards the Daniel Morcombe foundation education initiatives and resources. Throughout the week, teachers will have a focus on child safety utilizing the 'Keeping Kids Safe' resource booklet and online resources, provided by the foundation.



Keeping kids safe!



For more information, please go to [www.danielmorcombe.com.au](http://www.danielmorcombe.com.au).

There is also a FREE safety app recommended by the Daniel Morcombe foundation, *Help me*.



Join us at the world's biggest event for type 1 diabetes and share in activities including a raffles and prizes on the day. The event starts at the Mt Martha Village carpark at Langrigg Avenue. The Walk is pram and wheelchair friendly, dogs are permitted.

Sunday 8th November, 2015      Check-in: 7:30 AM Starts: 8:30 AM  
Length of Walk: 5km or 10km