



## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Brad Madden

### Interim reports and Parent Teacher Student Interviews

Many thanks to the parents and carers who made time to attend interviews with teachers and students this week. For those who were unable to do so, an interim report is available for each student on the Compass portal and teachers can be contacted during normal school hours to discuss progress. We try to encourage parents to communicate with teachers and community leaders so that the wellbeing and educational needs of students are being addressed and the interview process, which is held twice a year, is an important part of this.

### School Assembly

There was a whole school assembly held this week. Year 10 students were involved in Work Experience and the Careers Expo so were not in attendance which gave an opportunity for Year 9 student leaders to step up to the leadership roles in front of their peers. The main focus of the assembly was to recognise students who have achieved, endeavoured and inspired through their commitment to their studies and community. It was great to be able to hear community leaders reading the names of students and what they have contributed. We have some wonderfully talented and dedicated students at the school and it was great to see their peers responding enthusiastically as they were recognised. There will be assemblies next term to recognise the contributions of Year 10 students and parents will be invited to attend to see some of the highlights of school from the view of the departing students.

### Work Experience and Careers Expo

For the last two weeks, our Year 10 students have been on Work Experience for one week and at the Careers Expo held at the College for the other week. Well done to all the students who took the opportunity to try out a career of interest to them and to fully embrace the learning through the Careers Expo. The program involved activities such as resume writing, visits to tertiary education institutions, body language and interview techniques and a range of other sessions that will prepare students for their movement into the world of employment and further training. Thanks to Miss McMillin and Mr Pocock for their work in setting up the Work Experience program and to Miss Riddington for her work in co-ordinating the Careers Expo.

### Health alert

Please note that a case of hand, foot and mouth disease has been diagnosed in the school community. This condition is transferred by touch and involves symptoms such as fever, sore throat and blister like lesions on the mouth, hands and feet. Please ensure that you seek

medical advice if your children begin to exhibit any of these symptoms which can take up to a week to appear following infection.

### Dates for Term 4

The first day of school for Term 4 is Monday October 3. There will be a public holiday for Bendigo Cup Day on Wednesday October 26 and there will be a student free day when teachers will work on curriculum development on Thursday November 10.

Step Up weeks for students in Years 7-9 will start on Monday November 28 while Year 10 students will have different finishing dates as their program includes a week of orientation at Bendigo Senior Secondary College.

The last day for students in Years 7-9 will be on Friday December 16 while staff will continue to work on planning and training until Tuesday December 20.

The Year 10 graduation and formal event for eligible students will be on Monday December 12 while the College Awards Night will be held on Thursday December 15. There will be more detailed information closer to the time of these events and parents are encouraged to log in to Compass to ensure that all the required information is available to ensure that students get the most out of their Term 4 program.

### Holiday safety

As you would be aware, the consistently wet weather has already caused the closure of some roads and bridges and affected bus travel this week.

As rain is forecast to continue, DE&T and Emergency Service provide the advice below to families who may be planning holidays in the coming weeks.

- **Never drive through floodwater** – it only takes about 15 centimetres of water to lose control of a vehicle.
- Drive to the conditions - be aware of road hazards such as mud, debris, damaged roads and bridges.
- Roads in your area could be damaged by the bad weather so plan your journey and monitor the Vic Traffic website for road condition updates and any road closures.
- Never swim, walk or play in floodwater, it is dangerous and may contain hazardous debris or toxins.
- If your property is at risk of flooding, raise belongings onto tables, benches or beds and if you are on a farm, consider moving livestock to higher ground.
- Remain informed with emergency broadcasters to ensure you are up-to-date with the latest conditions and if possible, make sure your neighbours are aware of the situation.

## 2016 CRUSOE CALENDAR

### IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS

#### **FIRST DAY OF TERM 4** **Monday 3 October**

#### **Thursday 6 to Tuesday 11 October**

On Demand Testing Years 7-10

#### **Tuesday 11 October**

Year 10 Loddon Prison Excursion

#### **Thursday 13 October**

Crusoe Flying Eagles – Melbourne Excursion  
Cluster Leadership Program – JB Osborne Theatre

#### **Tuesday 18 October**

Bendigo Show – Community Experience  
9am – 1.30pm

#### **Wednesday 19 October**

Bendigo Show – Community Experience  
9am – 1.30pm

Year 9/10 Social – Black Swan Hotel

#### **Thursday 20 October**

LMR Hockey Finals

#### **Sunday 23 October**

EBT Bunnings – Kangaroo Flat BBQ

#### **Tuesday 25 October**

Year 10 Loddon Prison Excursion

#### **WEDNESDAY 26 OCTOBER**

**Bendigo Cup Day – PUBLIC HOLIDAY**

#### **Wednesday 2 November**

Year 10 Whole Year Level photo

#### **Friday 4 November**

PAX program – Melbourne (Lunchtime Legion)

#### **Thursday 10 November**

**PUPIL FREE DAY - no students at school**  
Curriculum planning for teaching staff

End of Year Music Concert  
JB Osborne Theatre - 7pm

#### **Friday 11 November**

'Girls Night In' – Year 10 Girls and female staff

#### **Monday 14 – Thursday 17 November**

Year 10 Exam week

#### **Thursday 17 – Sunday 19 November**

RACV Energy Breakthrough Maryborough

#### **Monday 21 – Wednesday 23 November**

Year 8 Camp Howqua, Mansfield

#### **Monday 28 November – Friday 2 December**

Crusoe Step-UP Program – week 1

#### **Tuesday 6 December**

Orientation Day for incoming Year 7 - 2017

#### **Monday 5 – Friday 9 December**

Crusoe Step-UP Program – week 2

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**Assistant Principal:** Richelle Hollis

**Curriculum Leader:** Jill Clapham

**Dyson Community Leader:** Carole Waterson

**Ipsen Community Leader:** Sam Mills

**White Community Leader:** Colin McGregor

**Yates Community Leader:**

Debbie Spencer-Jones

**Business Manager:**

Tracey Hughes/Rayma Evans

**Student Administration:** Carol Anderson

**Reception:** Colleen Biggs

**School Council President:** Matthew Hague

**School Council Vice President:** Kris Connor

**School Council next meeting:**

Monday 17 October - 6.15pm - Boardroom

**Parent Club President:** Nicole Mayes

**Parent Club Secretary:**

**Parent Club next meeting:**

Wednesday 19 October @ 9am

Please meet at the General Office

#### **STUDENT ABSENCE LINE**

**03 4433 4455**

#### **Country Bus Travelers Information**

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Newsletters are emailed to families each fortnight, or hard copies are available from the General Office on the afternoon of publishing.

If you would like a newsletter posted home, please contact the General Office and leave your address details for the mailing list.

Next newsletter will be available on

**FRIDAY 14 October, 2016**

## YATES COMMUNITY NEWS

Deborah Spencer-Jones – Community Leader

It has been a big term in the Yates Community, with students participating, achieving and performing at their best both here at the college and in the wider community.

On the sporting field students have represented the college in Basketball, Hockey, Table Tennis, Football and Athletics. Whilst in the community we have a large number of students that have participated in the local sporting competition finals series.

As part of our Advisory program in Term 3 the community challenge was a 'Brain Drain' with a variety of different quizzes. Students combine in vertical groups from every year level to try and complete these tasks in the quickest time possible. The winners of this award will be presented in our first Community assembly in Term 4.

Yates students have supported college events such as the Zonta appeal for toiletries, Oxfam fundraising and the EBT trivia night, along with the SRC out of uniform day. A number of our Year 9 students helped to facilitate the Grade 6 'Big Day Out', giving these prospective students an insight into the experience of Crusoe College.

The students' achievements for Term 3 were recognised in a whole school assembly on Wednesday, September 14 where the Yates Award winners were:

### Community Achiever:

Year 7 Molly Taig  
Year 8 Lachlan Frischke  
Year 9 Taylor Constable

### Community Endeavour:

Year 7 Ella Ashman  
Year 8 Eliza Reid  
Year 9 Shayna Macartney

### Year 9 Inspiration:

Ethan Anderson  
Kaileb Anglin



## WHITE COMMUNITY NEWS

Colin McGregor – Community Leader

### Term 3 Award Recipients

It gives me great pride to walk through the learning spaces in White Community and observe students engaged and focussed on their learning. I want to extend congratulations to ALL students in White Community for giving their best effort in Term Three and staying focussed on the main game – learning.

Listed below are the recipients of some special awards. These students have been selected for their high-level academic achievement or endeavour and were presented with their awards at a Whole School Assembly.

Congratulations to:-

### Community Achiever:

Year 7 -Carly Glanville  
Year 8 - Isabella Connor  
Year 9 - Josh Taig

### Community Endeavour:

Year 7 - Tom Roberts  
Year 8 - Callum Miller-Govett  
Year 9 - Stephanie Jurisic

### Year 9 Inspiration:

Harry Taylor  
Harry is a fine role model for younger students, fully engaged in his learning and his strong emotional intelligence sees him enjoying positive relationships with people from a wide spectrum of the College – staff, students and community members. Congratulations Harry.

### TERM THREE FOCUS: INTEGRITY

This term, our assembly focus and some Advisory sessions have looked more deeply at the College's value of "Integrity". Through these activities, students have gained a deeper understanding of what it means to have integrity and how that value looks in real-life actions and choices.

Our focus for Term Four is "Honesty".

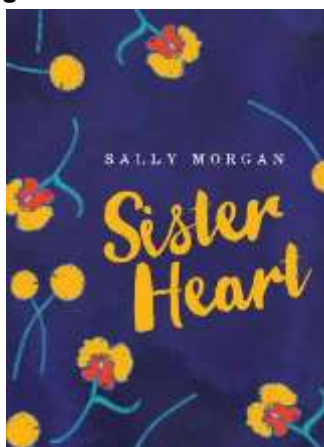


## GLC NEWS & REVIEWS

Sharon Marchingo

### **Sister Heart** by Sally Morgan

*Sister Heart* is a verse novel written by Sally Morgan. It is a shortlisted title in the *Younger Reader* category of the *Children's Book Council of Australia's Children's Book of the Year* competition. It received an 'Honour' book award which is well deserved. This story is a beautifully written story about an Aboriginal girl called



Annie who is taken away from her family and forced into a home with other Aboriginal children. She is unable to practise her beliefs and traditions and is so traumatised by the experience that she becomes mute, much to the annoyance of her teacher. She receives a brutal education at the hands of this cruel teacher yet the saving grace is the supportive friendships that she makes. This is a book that is sparse on text but deep in imagery and emotion. It is heart breaking and sad in parts as it describes a blight in our history. Fortunately, it is ultimately a hopeful read as Annie's resilient nature shines through.

Mrs Marchingo's STAR rating: 4/5 stars

### **Premiers' Reading Challenge**

It is with great excitement that Susan and I can announce that the Global Learning Centre has broken the previous record for the students who have completed the challenge.

In total 247 students completed the goal of reading 15 books for the past year. Amazingly this represents 41 percent of the students in the school.

Many thanks go to Susan Groom for all her hard work entering the data.

The breakdown is as follows:

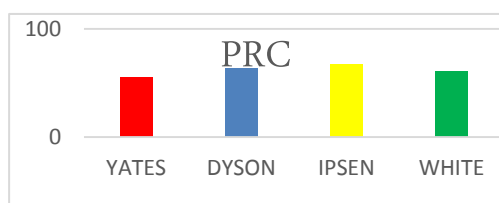
**Year 7:** 115 students which 82% of all students

**Year 8:** 106 students which represents 68% of all students

**Year 9:** 15 students which represents 11% of all students

**Year 10:** 11 students which represents 7% of all students

The chart below shows the completion rates per Community. These figures go towards the awarding of the *Readers Cup* at the end of the year.



At this stage Ipsen Community is marginally ahead, so it is now down to overall borrowing rates for the community to determine the winner.

## YEAR 10 NEWS & INFORMATION

Chantelle McMillin – Careers Coordinator

### IMPORTANT DATES FOR YEAR 10 STUDENTS

#### **Tuesday 11 October**

Loddon Prison excursion—Year 10

#### **Tuesday 25 October**

Loddon Prison excursion—Year 10

#### **Wednesday 2 November**

Year 10 Whole Year Level Photo

#### **Thursday 10 November**

#### **PUPIL FREE DAY**

#### **Friday 11 November**

'Girls Night In' – Year 10 Girls and female staff

#### **Monday 14—Thursday 17 November**

Year 10 Exam Week

#### **Friday 18 and Monday 21 November**

Year 10 Work Finalisation Day

#### **Tuesday 22 November**

Year 10 Celebration Day

#### **Wednesday 23—Wednesday 30 November**

BSSC Orientation/Step-up Program

#### **Thursday 1, Friday 2 December**

BSSC change of subject days

#### **Monday 12 December**

Year 10 Graduation/Formal

#### **Thursday 15 December**

Crusoe College Awards Night

In the next newsletter we will have some reflections from students who completed their Work Experience.

### **Bendigo Youth Summit 2016**

Gary Mullens, SRC Leader

On Wednesday, September 7, twelve of our student year level leaders attended the third annual Bendigo Youth Summit held at the Bendigo Exhibition Centre.

The Youth Summit was organised by the Bendigo Youth Action Group (of which our school captains are a part). The day brought together young leaders from various schools across Bendigo with the purpose of encouraging student voice. After some fun, ice breaker activities the students were invited to put forward their collective ideas and opinions to answer the question; *"What do you think needs to happen to make Bendigo a better place for young people?"*

To their credit our students were able to jump straight in and put forward some great ideas.

The summit also included talks from two guest speakers. Former AFL footballer and founder of Outside The Locker Room, Jake Edwards, who spoke about his experiences overcoming depression and substance abuse. Local 3BO radio personality Erin Ryan was also

## Bendigo Youth Summit continued

able to touch on the importance of hard work and persistence in achieving personal goals.

The summit reinforced the important role young people play in the community and how their attitude and ideas can shape Bendigo now and into the future. The students cannot wait until the Youth Summit in 2017.



## 2016 TASMANIA TRIP

The Terrific Tassie Year 9 and 10 camp was just that....  
**TERRIFIC!!**

This was due to the great group of 34 Crusoe students and 4 staff members who travelled by the 'Spirit of Tasmania', toured Tassie by bus and mountain bikes, returning home by plane....only seasick on the way over thankfully!!

The students must be commended not only for their fantastic behaviour but also the way they represented the college, their families and especially themselves. Ella, Ebony and Jess A can tell you what it is like to "relax" in the corridor with lots of those "white bags" when they haven't found their sea legs.

We could all recommend the 'Food' in Launceston ...especially the breakfasts and evening meals!  
YUM, YUM, YUM.

Hanna showed outstanding persistence when showing how you learn to ride a bike with Jess and Mikayla. Fantastic effort and great riding!

## Quotes from some of the Tassie Travellers.....

**Liam:** 'the activities were interesting and showed us more of Tasmania'.

**Tom S:** 'Tassie was a great experience and my favourite activity was going to the Honey Farm'.

**Harry M:** 'I want to come back next year.....can I, can I, please?'

**Angus:** 'Everything was fun!!!!'

**Ella & Kaidi:** Tassie camp was FANTASTIC!!! We loved all the activities we did including laser skirmish. Each day we ate ice-cream, but the favourite would have to be ice-cream from the Honey Farm. The worst part of the trip was the boat trip!!!!'

**Ryan:** 'The best part was the food; I will go back for the food!'

**Year 10 students:** 'Can we come again when we go to Year 11? Please, please, please!!!!'

We must give a huge THANK YOU to the families of Crusoe College for their ongoing support of the college camps program.





RESPECT

HONESTY

INTEGRITY

TRUST

**THE INAUGURAL YEAR 8 SOCIAL**  
**'Glow in the Dark' theme**  
**Wednesday 14 September 5-7.30pm**

Thoughts on the Year 8 Social by Zara Willcox, Zoe Mathews and Piper Fernandes

'Wow, what an exciting and successful night last night at the Year 8 social, held in the BlackBox theatre at no other school than Crusoe!'

70 Year 8 students celebrated the end of the term wearing their fluoro outfits to coordinate with the theme- 'Glow in the Dark!'

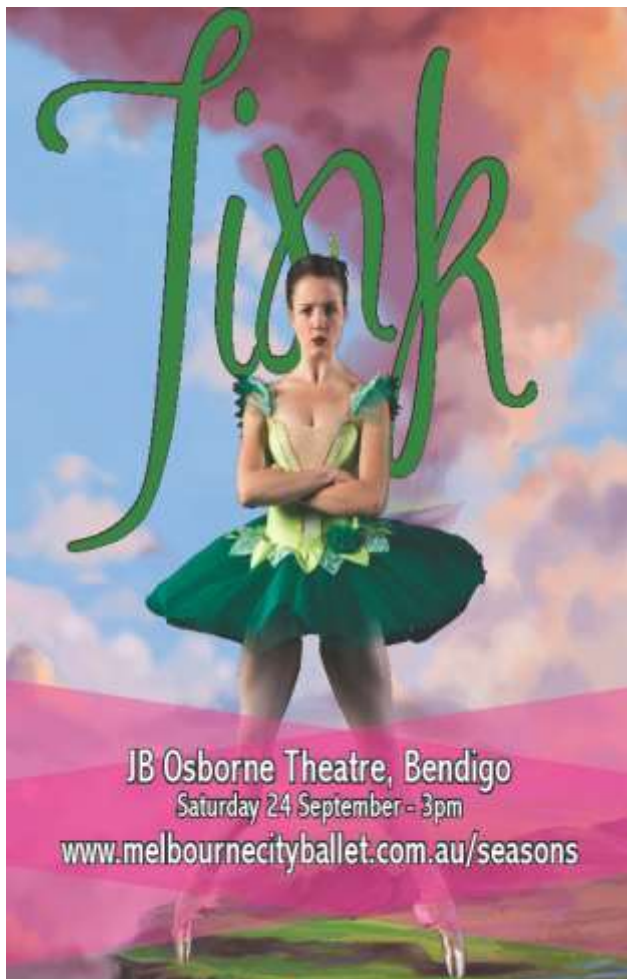
Students danced and sang all night long! Competitions were held and prizes given out throughout the night.

**Greatest Female Dancer:** Lauren Harris  
**Greatest Male Dancer:** Kiet Cox  
**Limbo Champion:** Alannah Bell  
**Lucky ticket winners:** Stan Lewis, Zara Willcox, Callum Miller-Govett

The Photo Booth was a roaring success, with many crazy and memorable shots taken by our Chief Photographer, Mr Bright. Mr Cook, Mr Symons and Mitch took the role of DJ, and the pizzas from the Kangaroo Flat Hotel were delicious! Overall a highly successful and memorable evening to end the term!



A REMINDER TO ALL FAMILIES THAT THE MELBOURNE CITY BALLET WILL BE PRESENTING THEIR PERFORMANCE OF 'TINK' AT THE JB OSBORNE THEATRE ON SATURDAY 24 OCTOBER @ 3PM. TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE MELBOURNE CITY BALLET WEBSITE OR ON THE DAY AT THE BOX OFFICE. THIS PERFORMANCE IS SUITABLE FOR CHILDREN FROM 5 – 12 YEARS OLD.



JB Osborne Theatre, Bendigo  
Saturday 24 September - 3pm  
[www.melbournecityballet.com.au/seasons](http://www.melbournecityballet.com.au/seasons)



### CITY OF GREATER BENDIGO YOUTH WORKSHOPS During Term 3 holidays

We have 3 school holiday workshops coming up for young people.

WORKSHOP 1 - Coding and App making - Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September at the COG (45 Mundy Street) 10am – 1pm

WORKSHOP 2 - Beatboxing / Looping - Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September at the COG (45 Mundy Street) 1am – 12noon

WORKSHOP 3 - Cooking - 29<sup>th</sup> September at DOXA (118 Hargreaves Street) 10am – 1pm

To register for all workshops please visit - <http://www.yobendigo.com.au/Home>

**Match your savings for school costs, dollar for dollar, up to \$500. Saver Plus is looking for new participants in your local area.**

You may be eligible to join if you or your partner have:

- a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- a child at school or starting next year
- some regular income from work.

Call or SMS Carol, your local Saver Plus Coordinator:  
03 5448 1024 / 0439 935 516 or [carol.gledhill@bsl.org.au](mailto:carol.gledhill@bsl.org.au)

*Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government.*

The Bendigo Touch Football Association is a community and family orientated competition involving over 200 children and adults ranging from 10 to over 60 year olds. We promote healthy lifestyles by participating in physical activity in a non-threatening social environment. Our competition allows families to play together or with their friends. Children are able to play with parents, grandparents and other family and friends. We promote inclusiveness with many players coming from different cultures and backgrounds. There is no judgement, just an opportunity to participate in a friendly community orientated competition.

We also give all participants the opportunity to participate in a Bendigo Touch Football representative team in different competitions around the state.

If you would like any further information please contact us on the details to the left and a member of our committee will be in contact with you. We hope to see some of your school community participating soon.