

#### **WELCOME BACK!**



Welcome to Term 3! It's great to see our students again and we also welcomed some new faces to our school. Please note that the main form of communication is Compass. You can also check out our official Facebook page to see photos of what's happening at our school.



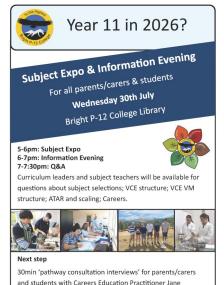






### **INFORMATION EVENINGS**

We're running two information evenings early this term. The first, on 30th July, is for students who'll be starting Year 11 in 2026. Students and parents/carers are invited to attend the Subject Expo and Info Evening to find out what their



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options are as they head into their Senior Secondary school years.

The second Information Evening, on 4th August, is for students starting Year 10 in 2026 and their parents/carers.

All information, including detailed Course Guides, was emailed to students and parents/carers in the last week of last term via Compass. Printed copies of the Course Guides will be available at these sessions. Teachers and Careers staff will be available to answer questions.



Official Facebook page



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# Principal's Message

Dear students, parents and carers,

Welcome to Term 3! I hope you and your family enjoyed a fantastic holiday break.

At Bright P-12 College, we proudly create a vibrant and engaging learning community where every child is known, supported and challenged to reach their full potential. We have a number of exciting incursions and excursions planned for Term 3, providing students with a wide range of experiences beyond the classroom. These activities play a crucial role in developing young minds by expanding perspectives, encouraging curiosity and building real-world connections.

Through a nurturing environment and strong partnerships between home and school, we support the whole child - academically, socially and emotionally.

I look forward to a productive and inspiring term ahead, filled with growth, discovery and celebration.

Jean Olley - Principal

### **BREAKFAST CLUB**

Breakfast Club has moved to Tuesday mornings.

From 8:15am in the Secondary cooking room, there will be a range of food available including toast, cereal, milo, fresh fruit and fruit cups.

A big 'thank you' to Woolworths and the Beechworth Bakery, who provide the food for our Breakfast Club.

All students from Prep to Year 12 are always welcome!





NOTE: ALL CALENDAR EVENTS ARE SUBJECT
TO CHANGE. PLEASE CHECK COMPASS FOR
MOST UP-TO-DATE CALENDAR

#### **COLLEGE CALENDAR**

#### **JULY**

28 JUL-19 SEP Yr 9 Dinner Plain Leadership

School

30 JUL Yr 3-6 Winter Sports Day

30 JUL 5pm Yr 11 in 2026 parent & student

VCE Subject Expo & Info Evening

31 JUL Yr 9 Morrisby interviews

#### **AUGUST**

4 AUG Yr 11 Outdoor Rec Cross Country Ski

Day, Falls Creek

4 AUG 6pm Yr 10 in 2026 parent & student

subject selection Info Evening

5 AUG Albury Wodonga Primary Eisteddfod

5 AUG P-Yr 6 author incursion Sarah Allen

5 AUG Primary Hume Winter Sports Day,

Wangaratta (soccer)

6 AUG Health Careers Forum, Wangaratta

7 AUG Primary Hume Winter Sports Day,

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11-15 AUG Science Week

11-12 AUG Yr 11 Outdoor Rec overnight Cross

Country Ski tour, Falls Creek

12 AUG Yr 7/8 Hume girls soccer, Shepparton

12 AUG Lunchtime: Science Week 'Beat the

Teacher' Quiz

14 AUG Hands On Trades Careers Expo,

Winton Raceway

14 AUG Secondary House Athletics

15 AUG Primary House Athletics

**NEXT PUPIL-FREE DAY: Thursday 28 August** 

# Yr 3/4 CONCEPT-BASED INQUIRY

During Term 2 of Concept-Based Inquiry (CBI), Year 3 and 4 students explored heat and how it transfers to other



materials, using our playground equipment for experiments to investigate our inquiry. We also looked into variables such as ground cover and shade and how these play a role in keeping the yard a cooler place in the warmer months. Students then designed their own Sun-Smart playground with a partner and used recyclable materials to build a model of their design.



















### FROM THE ARCHIVES - 50 YEARS AGO

In news from the July 1975 issue of the newsletter: the school was transitioning from chalkboards to whiteboards; we installed a pottery wheel in the 'Art and Craft' area; our school library started a new record and cassette collection; we created a new careers guidance programme for students; there were plans underway to commence a school downhill and cross-country ski program. How far we've come!

Our school newsletter featured these poems by students.

#### **Ode to Winter**

At the end of May the Winter starts
The cold and frosts begin
Drizzly rain and frosty nights,
And chilly, gusty winds.

And for the snow on every hill Which glows both night and day The skies come from far and near To frolic and to play.

But Winter is not just cold and frosty It thrills the young at heart It's like a creative masterpiece A shining piece of art.

by Beverly Quirk, Form 2A

#### **Winter Storm**

Over the snow-capped mountains, A deathly stillness crept. As dark clouds spread wider, The birds the silence kept.

A clap of dreaded thunder,
A flash of fearsome light.
The forest peace was shattered,
A fierce storm showed its might.

by Greg Noye, Form 2A.



The cover of our school newsletter, July 1975 issue

#### **SUSTAINABILITY**

#### Green Thumbs in Action at Bright P-12 College

Thanks to generous support from the Alpine Shire Community Grants Youth Program, Bright P-12 College was awarded funds in 2024 to construct a greenhouse - an exciting addition to our horticulture and sustainability programs.

Throughout Semester 1, students from Years 9 to 12 worked collaboratively to bring this project to life. From preparing the site and levelling the ground to laying gravel and assembling the 24m<sup>2</sup> structure, the project has offered valuable hands-on experience. It's been a fantastic opportunity for students to develop practical trade skills, enhance communication, and take the lead through project management.

If you thought that your latest Ikea project was difficult, then think again! With over 3,500 pieces, the greenhouse kit provided many construction challenges, with the main one being how to find the instruction booklet and then to interpret it. Now fully operational, our greenhouse is home to a thriving selection of cuttings, seedlings and wicking beds brimming with winter vegetables. Students have enjoyed comparing plant growth and health both inside and outside the greenhouse and are learning how to optimise growing conditions by regulating temperature and humidity through roof vents and doors. Another exciting addition has been our new weather station, allowing students to monitor temperature, humidity, light (Lux), air pressure and rainfall - adding an extra layer of science and data to their horticultural learning.

This initiative has not only supported our Certificate 2 Horticulture curriculum, but also fostered a deeper connection between students and their environment.







# SECONDARY HUME CROSS COUNTRY

The following Secondary students qualified for the Hume Cross Country:

Banjo B, Mya B, Brock B, Eleanor C, Tasmyn C, Kynan J, Sophie M, Lakitha S, Scarlett S.

Despite running with an injury, Eleanor C came in 10th and qualified for the State Final.

### PRIMARY INCURSION

Primary students welcomed the Flying Fruit Fly Circus with their show: SPHERICAL. It was a pseudo-scientific survey of circular circus apparatus. A steampunk ensemble of a dozen daredevil 'scientists' impressed our students with their spinning, flipping and whirling through a 45 minute celebration of circus.

The performance was a big hit - here are some quotes from Year 3 students:

"It was really cool. They were very flexible and strong and they did loads of tricks." Zoe R.

"It was fun and cool to see because everyone was loud. They jumped through a gigantic hoop. Watching the performance was nerve-wracking as it seemed like they were going to fall!" Vin B.

"They had a special wheel a bit like a giant hamster wheel. One of the kids went round and round and round inside. It looked really fun." Edie G.

"They stacked three people on top of each other and did backflips. It was exciting and looked like fun." Orion S.











# Yr 9 OUTDOOR EDUCATION

Year 9 Outdoor Education students finished off their Semester with an introductory session of roller skiing on the Secondary basketball court. Outdoor Ed this Semester has been all about kayaking, caving and abseiling for these students - trying roller skiing was a different and fun way to conclude their Outdoor Education elective this year.









### **DINNER PLAIN CAMPUS**

Our Dinner Plain campus is now in full swing, with all students present and ready to learn in this unique environment. Students have already enjoyed several sessions of cross-country skiing, as we welcomed great snow conditions early in the season. Teachers and support staff Rosie, Lee, Margot, Maria and Madeleine join Dinner Plain campus Principal Mat Gray for another term of learning and adventure.







### Yr 2 JAPANESE

Year 2 students enjoyed hands-on experience in Japanese class, learning how to make *onigiri* (rice balls). Using just rice, salt and *nori* (seaweed), they practised shaping their own triangle-shaped *onigiri* - a simple but delicious traditional snack in Japan.









### FREE SCHOOL DENTAL PROGRAM

The Smile Squad dental van is at Bright P-12 College - it's located next to the school library.

- There is no eligibility criteria or parental income limit any child enrolled at our school is eligible.
- All examinations, investigations, x-rays, treatments and fillings etc are at no cost.
- All examinations and treatments happen during the school day, so parents/carers aren't required to be with their child (but can be if they wish).
- It is a 'use it or lose it' service. The Smile Squad van is booked to be at our school for several weeks but will only

remain while there are enough students booked into the service

 To complete a consent please use the QR code or link <a href="https://bit.ly/smilesquadvic">https://bit.ly/smilesquadvic</a>





# Yr 12 CHEMISTRY

In Unit 4 Chemistry, students have to be able to identify unknown Organic compounds through laboratory techniques and instrumental analysis. Students performed various tests to identify the types of alcohols present and differentiate between primary, secondary and tertiary alcohols. Students also performed a redox titration and they tried to determine the amount of ascorbic acid in a vitamin C tablet.

Reminder to Year 5-12 students: Science Week 'Beat the Teacher' Quiz 1pm Tuesday 12th August in the Library. Sign sheets are in the Library. Teams of 6 max

















## Yr 4 JAPANESE

Year 4 students experienced a traditional Japanese tea ceremony. They learned about the culture and manners of this peaceful ritual. Some students even tried making matcha themselves. Everyone enjoyed tasting the tea and sweets while learning about Japanese traditions.







## **BASKETBALL VICTORIA HOOP TIME**

We had 2 teams attend - Year 5/6 All Stars (the highest level because some of our students are Rep players) and Year 3/4 Future Stars (players who have played some basketball before).

The All Stars won 2 games, the Future Stars had one win but were let straight into the Grand Final because there were only 2 teams in their division.

The Grand Final went down to the wire. We lost the game on the buzzer by 1 point, missing the chance to progress to the State Final next term. Hopefully we can make this part of our sports program every year as it was great fun for all.



## **SOIREE**



On the last day of last term, music students from Bright P-12 College performed in the Term 2 Soiree at the Bright Community Centre.

This concert gives students who are learning a musical instrument or are involved in a musical group the chance to perform in front of a supportive audience. Students from Prep to Year 9 were on stage playing a variety of instruments including the piano, trumpet and the electric guitar. The choirs and concert band performed, as well as a couple of ukulele groups. Congratulations to all the students who performed and thank you to everyone who came to support our students by being part of the audience on the night.

















# FROM OUR SECONDARY SCHOOL NURSE

#### What is body image?

Body image is a combination of the thoughts and feelings that you have about your body. Body image may range between positive and negative experiences, and one person may feel at different times positive or negative or a combination of both. Body image is influenced by internal (e.g. personality) and external (e.g. social environment) factors.

How can you improve your body image? There is no right or wrong when it comes to weight, shape, size and appearance. Challenging beauty ideals and learning to accept your body shape is a crucial step towards positive body image. We have the power to change the way we see, feel and think about our bodies. Here are some helpful tips to improve body image:

- Focus on your positive qualities, skills and talents, which can help you accept and appreciate your whole self
- Say positive things to yourself every day
- Avoid negative self-talk
- Focus on appreciating and respecting what your body can do, which will help you to feel more positively about it
- Set positive, health-focused goals rather than weight-related ones, which are more beneficial for your overall wellbeing
- · Avoid comparing yourself to others, accept yourself as a whole and remember that everyone is unique
- Unfollow or unfriend people on social media who trigger negative body image thoughts and feelings.

If you feel that you or someone in your life may be experiencing body image or eating concerns, seek professional help. Professional support can help guide you to change negative beliefs and behaviours, and build a positive relationship with your body.

For more information and find available help and support, visit www.nedc.com.au or www.butterflybodybright.org.au

#### **NUDE FOOD**

Question: What is 'nude food'? Answer: It's food that isn't wrapped in single-use packaging.

We are noticing an increasing amount of rubbish at school. Staff on duty at recess and lunch are talking to students about using the bins for their rubbish, but we are also asking parents/carers to send their children to school with 'nude food'. Check out this video: <a href="https://youtu.be/WcTitopOimA">https://youtu.be/WcTitopOimA</a>

Please help us by providing your child with litter-free lunches by following these guidelines:

#### PACK:

- Snacks in reusable containers
- ✓ Drinks in a reusable bottle
- ✓ Reusable utensils when needed
- ✓ A reusable lunchbox or backpack

#### **AVOID:**

- Plastic bags, cling wrap or foil
- Disposable drink boxes, cans, cartons and bottles
- Disposable forks and spoons
- Pre-packaged lunches or single serve items

#### **NEW SIGN-IN PROCESS**

We have a new sign-in process for volunteers and visitors to our school. The Passtab iPad at the front office has replaced the orange sign-in/out book. Volunteers and visitors need to sign in and out using their Passtab QUICKPIN which is their mobile phone number. This system allows individuals to: register their Working With Children Check (WWCC), or VIT registration; complete volunteer inductions online prior to their first visit; receive automated reminders when their WWCC or induction is due to expire.

If you haven't completed your induction yet, the process takes about 15 minutes and can be done online.



## **INTERSCHOOLS SPORTS - TERM 2 WRAP-UP**

Participation levels for Term 2 were amazing! We had 140 students sign up to be involved (we were a little down on that number on the day due to illness) across 4 sporting codes (Basketball, Badmintion, Netball and Soccer).

Year 7-8 Girls Netball. Students travelled to Albury Wodonga for end of term sports. The team was a little short on numbers with only 5 players attending, so their Year 9 helper Sophie M who thought she'd be scoring, got a call up to play. 3 games were played against Corryong, Myrtleford and Tallangatta.

The girls improved their netball skills during the day and had a lot of fun. Many thanks to Katrina Ciolli for team management and scoring duties, and Mandy Clayton for umpiring responsibilities and coaching support.





Senior Girls Netball. A group travelled to Albury to compete in interschool netball. Despite an early ankle injury to Lexi M in the first game which put an end to her day, the girls played really well, winning all but one game and making it through to the finals. They came up against a strong Myrtleford Marion College team and were beaten. Thanks to Amelie T for supporting the team with first aid and logistics (piggy backing Lexi from court to court), Bianca Dooley for umpiring and Mandy Clayton for coaching.

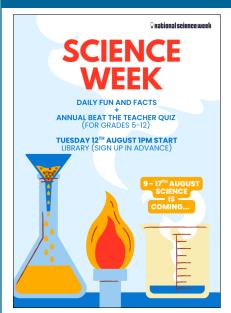
**Boys Netball.** Possibly one the first boys netball teams to compete at O&M level in a few years, the group of Year 9 and 10 boys represented our school to a high level. The team narrowly missed out on making the final, having won 4 games and drawing the 5th. They needed to win by a larger margin in their last game to secure the spot in the grand final. Imagine if we had of actually had some training sessions before attending!

**Soccer.** Our girls team didn't have a competition to play in at O&M level and will progress straight on to the Hume level later this term in Shepparton, but to get some practice in the girls were put into the boys draw and although they didn't get any wins, they were able to get some training in. The boys team had an enjoyable day, but it wasn't to be their day. They come up against some tough competition from teams from Beechworth and Yarrawonga.

**Senior Boys Basketball.** Down to the last game! The boys went undefeated across the round games and went into the grand final with some confidence. They were lead in offence by Oliver G and defence by Dan L. The team efforts across the day were to be commended, but they didn't have the game they would have liked in the final. The eventual score having them go down by about 20 points and missing out on the opportunity to progress to the Hume event.

**Badmintion.** We were well represented across both days of badminton, fielding 2 mixed teams of 5 (Years 7/8) day plus a senior team and 2 mixed inters teams (Years 9-12). The Year 8 teams came up against some very impressive/professional looking teams and individual players. Both teams played their 4 games in good spirits and had a lot of fun but could only manage 1 win for the day. Our Inters A team had a great day on court coming away with 3 wins from 4 games but unfortunately missed out on playing in this division grand final by 1 set on a count back with Myrtleford P-12. The senior mixed team were able to get 1 win in a very tough competition. The two teams making the grand final, Myrtleford and Yarrawonga showed the level we would need to be playing at to progress to the Hume event. We hope that all the attending Year 12 students enjoyed their last interschool sports team event and they look back on these experiences with many fond memories.

### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**



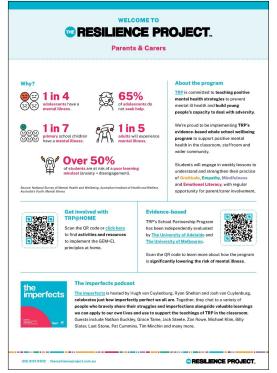




#### **YOUTH AWARDS**

**NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2025** AWARDS ARE NOW OPEN AND WILL CLOSE AT 11:59PM ON MONDAY THE 4TH OF AUGUST 2025







#### Positive Parenting Telephone Service

Our free 6 to 10 week program helps you to:
• Have stronger, more positive relationships

- · Set rules and limits
- Manage everyday behaviour problems

Our program is for parents, grandparents and carers of children aged 2 to 12 years.

Participants complete a workbook and are supported by weekly 30 minute phone calls with a trained parenting educator.

All of this can be done from the comfort of your own home at a time that suits you.

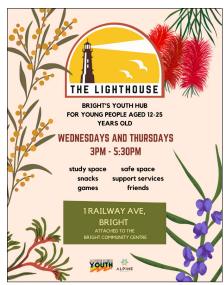


**Q** 1800 880 660

This is a FREE service, and enrolments are taken all year round. Call us for more information or to enrol.













#### **EARLY YEARS OUTREACH PROGRAM**

The Early Years Outreach Program is a free service that supports families from a Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) background who live, play, work or study in the Alpine Shire

Our CALD Early Years Officer works directly with families and local service providers to support inclusion and ongoing participation in education.

We can assist to:
> Enrol children in Kindergarten

> Connect with other early childhood supports
> Support families to transition from
Kindergarten to Primary School

To find out more contact the CALD Early Years

0417 957 627 or shannanw@alpineshire.vic.gov.au



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#### ALPINE SHINKYOKUSHIN KARATE

Self defence - Discipline - Fun For all fitness levels, ages 6 and up Classes: Monday (Myrtleford Dojo) Tuesday (Tarrawingee or Wandiligong Dojo) Thursday (Porepunkah Dojo)





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