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Bright P-12 College Newsletter

Hip, Hip, Hooray... The Tunnel is Ready for Play!



The final stage of the playground has opened to great excitement. Our miners tunnel is now being well used by the primary students with just a little bit of landscaping left to go.

A HUGE thank you must go to Adam Rosser who has tirelessly worked on fabricating and managing this part of the project. Thanks also to Renee for allowing him to do this instead of all those jobs at home! Many thanks to Drew Carey & Adam Thompson for their work alongside Adam to bring this last stage of the playground refurbishment together.

The playground is a great example of Parents & Community working alongside the school to provide a wonderful environment for our students.

Superb job everyone!



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Principal's Message

It is a privilege to be Principal of Bright P-12 College.

We have such a great school.

A school we can all be very proud to be part of and though I am reminded of these thoughts often, none more so than when I attend Lion's Youth of the Year. This year we had four students involved in the challenge; **Amy Ditcham, Lachie Forbes, Caleb West and Aidan Hoare** and it is a real challenge. Each student prepares a speech, attends and interview with the judging panel and answers two impromptu questions at the dinner. Each year I am truly in awe of the abilities of our students to handle pressure and expectation, the depth of their general knowledge, the passion they bring to their prepared speeches and their overall demeanour of humility and none more so than this year. Amy, Lachie, Caleb and Aidan spoke with confidence and assurance when answering questions or delivering their speeches. They all did a great job. Lachie was the overall winner as well as the Public Speaking winner and will represent the Bright Lion's Club at the next round later in the month.

We are so lucky to be part of a thriving community that supports their local school each year through volunteering their time to organise and host the event. The connections the College and I have built with the Lion's Club over many years are very

dear to me as they provide a reciprocal benefit to both organisations and further embed our place in our community. A huge thank you to everyone at the Lion's Club for your work and to Jenni Sgambelloni.

As I look out my office window I have a view to the new playground tunnel. It is teeming with children, yelling, shouting, laughing and absolutely enjoying themselves as they run through the tunnel or go over the top. Adam Rosser you and your team; Drew Carey and Adam Thompson are legends! Adam has put in so many hours of unpaid volunteer time in to get this tunnel to completion. We are very grateful for your generosity and drive. A huge thank you to everyone involved. It is an amazing addition to the Primary Playground.

Over the last couple of weeks much has been in the media around consent education and the wider implications of consent and the effects non-consensual relations has on not just the person involved but their families and the wider community. The issue has been discussed by the staff of Bright P-12 College and we are looking at how we can improve our current practice to keep up with societal issues and support our students.

Our current practice involves integrating **Respectful Relationships** into our teaching and learning program at both Primary and Secondary.

The Royal Commission into Family Violence identified the critical role that schools and early childhood education have in creating a culture of respect to change the story of family violence for future generations. In 2016, respectful relationships education became a core component of the Victorian Curriculum from foundation to Year 12, and is being taught in all Government and Catholic schools and many independent schools. Everyone in our community deserves to be respected, valued and treated equally. We know that changes in attitudes and behaviours can be achieved when positive attitudes, behaviours and equality are embedded in our education settings. Respectful Relationships is about embedding a culture of respect and equality across our entire community, from our classrooms to staffrooms, sporting fields, fetes and social events. This approach leads to positive impacts on student's academic outcomes, their mental health, classroom behaviour, and relationships between teachers and students.

Together, we can lead the way in saying Yes to respect and equality, and creating genuine and lasting change so that every child has the opportunity to achieve their full potential.

Jean Olley—Principal

COLLEGE CALENDAR

MARCH

- FRI 19 MAR—Yr 10 Outdoor Ed Bogong Hike.
7.30am—5.30pm.
- MON 22 MAR—Yr 5/6 Swim Program Day 5.
- THUR 25 MAR—O&M Term 1 Intermediate & Senior Interschool Sport (Yrs 9-12).
- FRI 26 MAR—Yr 11 Outdoor Ed & VET Sport & Rec: Mt Buffalo Climbing Day.
- MON 29 MAR—Yr 9 & Yr 9 Outdoor Ed Caving/ Abseiling Day.
- TUES 30 MAR—O&M Term 1 Junior Interschool Sport (Yrs 7&8).

APRIL

- THUR 01 APR—Yr 3-12 House X Country
" " - **LAST DAY OF TERM 1**
" " - **SCHOOL FINISH—2.30pm.**
- FRI 02 APR - **GOOD FRIDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY.**
- MON 19 APR—**FIRST DAY OF TERM 2.**



L – R—President of the Lions Club Tony Strachan, Amy, Lachie, Caleb, Aidan, Chief Judge Roy Ward.

National Youth Science Forum—Reflections

National Youth Science Forum (NYSF)

Ella McCormack

Last school holidays we had the opportunity to attend the National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) Year 12 Program. The program is aimed at students who have an interest in pursuing science, technology, engineering or mathematics (STEM) as a career. Although our 10-day program was online this year, the opportunity to attend lectures, career days, experiments, workshops and live tours of science facilities was a once-in-a-lifetime chance that opened my eyes to how young people can change the world for the better. I found friends who were like-minded and interested in the things I am. I gained a better insight into biomedicine, the career I wanted to pursue. We spoke with Nobel Prize winners and researchers at the top of their industries, students that gave a real-life perspective of what university is like and what studies are helpful when pursuing your dream career. At the program, I discovered that I wanted to study biomedical engineering, an interdisciplinary career that I never imagined I would be so excited to pursue. The program would not run if it wasn't for the Rotary Club, which sponsored many students to attend. I will be forever grateful to my local Rotary Club for providing me with an opportunity like this. The NYSF is perfect for anyone who is interested in STEM and I encourage anyone to apply if they are interested, you will be far from disappointed!



Ella McCormack & Indigo Jones

National Youth Science Forum (NYSF)

Indigo Jones

During the summer holidays I had the amazing opportunity to participate in the National Youth Science Forum (NYSF). This program is designed for Year 12 students who have a passion in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). Students selected were able to experience one in a lifetime opportunities such as online lectures with Universities, Noble Prize winners, professionals in STEM and various organisations in the STEM fields. This eye opening experience helps many students find many friends, connections and what field of STEM they're passionate about. I found that I can apply my passion for chemistry in Pharmaceutical Science and drug development, through the NYSF I was able to gain meaningful insight into this field of STEM and how it can help shape the future of science. The NYSF is an amazing experience which caters for students interested in very different fields of STEM, from Aero Physics to Veterinary Science. I highly recommend to anyone interested to apply for this incredible opportunity. I, as well as many other students, wouldn't have been able to attend if it wasn't for Rotary. Rotary sponsored many students to participate and assisted us with the selection process, I am very thankful to Rotary for helping me to experience this event!

ALLAN J FINDLAY MEMORIAL BURSARY—

Proudly launched by the Lions and Rotary Clubs of Bright



Allan J Findlay—"Big Al"

Allan J Findlay, better known as Big Al, gave freely and generously of his time and compassion to the local community. He was well known for the support he gave to many organisations and individuals, for connecting with folk of all ages and backgrounds, and for making a huge difference in the lives of so many. In 2019 at the age of 60, Al passed away, leaving his family, friends and local community shocked and greatly saddened.

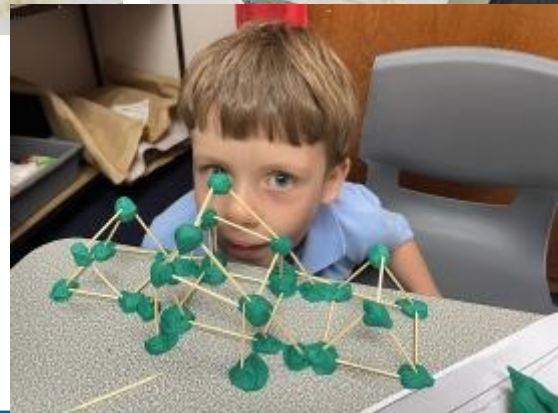
In recognition of Al's life and generous contributions to his community, the Lions Club of Bright and the Rotary Club of Bright have collaborated to establish the Allan J Findlay Memorial Bursary. The purpose of the Bursary is primarily to assist young people in continuing Al's philosophy of selfless community contribution, and to full-fill their aspirations of giving back to their community.

An annual Bursary of \$1000 is open to students in Years 9 to 12 levels, residing in the Alpine Shire (this includes young people who school out of the area, are home-schooled, or are no longer school-based) to support them with financial assistance to reach their goals and/or further their studies, and to expand their networks to reach out and connect with others in their area of commitment and/or concern.

Applications for 2021 will be accepted from 28/1/2021 until 26/3/2021. For further information, please contact Jenni Sgambelloni – jennisgam@hotmail.com. Sue Manning – susan.manning@education.vic.gov.au. Brian Kelly – brian@alpinelink.com.au

Mr. O's Year 2 Class

The students of Year 2.0 have been learning about 3D objects. In this lesson, students learnt about the use of 3D shapes in a real world context, they became architects and builders in training! Their task was to create a design plan that used 3D objects and then construct a model of their chosen design.



COMMUNITY & COLLEGE NOTICES

Colour Fun Run

Mount Beauty
 Sunday March 21
 9:30am - 3pm
 Mount Beauty Reserve
 Lakeside Avenue
 Skate Park Workshops,
 obstacle course, food and more!

ALPINE Rotary City of Mount Beauty



26 - 28 MARCH 2021 TOWONG FATHER & SON

This 3 day program is an opportunity for fathers (or a male guardian) & their son to get away for adventure activities, a small service project & campfire conversation. The program is a chance to make some memories, share stories and connect.

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5PM FRIDAY - 4PM SUNDAY

CORRYONG AREA

MOUNTAIN BIKING

Health Corner with Adolescent Health Nurse Rosemary Bunge

Breakfast

Breakfast continues to run each Thursday thanks to other staff members who help out each week. Thursday morning finds us in the cooking room with fruit cups, cheerios, toast and spreads to eat and milo, milk and juice to drink. Don't forget to get your day off to a great start it is free, all you need is a smile.

Immunisations

Year 7 and 10 immunisations happened on Monday March 1st. Year 7 did a pretty good job returning their signed cards, year 10 not so good. If

for any reason your student in year 7 or 10 missed out, catch up can be done at the April council session. For more information contact me at the school or call the Alpine Shire.

International Women's day

This years theme being #ChooseToChallenge. Maybe ask yourself the question. Do I choose to challenge stereotypes?

Quote for the week: You can always tell who the strong women are. They are the ones you see building each other up, instead of tearing each other down.



Wellbeing with Bethany

Since Week 3, I have had the delight of getting to know all the Year 7 girls though weekly girl group sessions.

The girls are split up into three groups across both Year 7 classes. I have designed these sessions to cover topics that are important for them at this age and stage and to support them in their transition into secondary school.

We discuss topics such as the power of self talk, our own and others mental health, healthy body/body image, friendships, tackling stress, resilience and stepping into our own unique power! My aim is to provide awareness and to get them talking about these topics, while providing them with tips and strategies to empower them.

Most of all, for them to understand themselves and their peers better. I have been impressed with the engagement of the girls each session and have really enjoyed our discussions. We have two sessions to go, finishing in Week 9.

If you have any queries about the program feel free to email me on bethany.carter@education.vic.gov.au or call me at the school.

Bethany :)



WE ARE ALL WONDERWOMEN!

Year 9s On Target



Last week had some lovely weather for a spot of archery with the Year 9s during their regular PE lesson. Here the Year 9 students are target shooting across distances of 15-25m using recurve bows of varying pull strengths. No bulls-eyes today but plenty on the target which made for a great morning.



Victorian Interschools MTB Event - Falls Creek



On Friday 26 February, 11 students from Bright P-12 College attended the MTB Interschools at Falls Creek with approximately 200 students from 39 schools from around the State.

The race was XCO (Cross Country Olympic) style, where racers ride a set number of laps depending on their category.

The students did a great job of representing their school, competing to the best of their ability and with great attitude against some very tough competition. Of the 11 representatives from Bright P-12, 8 finished in the top 10 of their category with Cooper Northey (Year 7-8) and Julian Baudry (Year 9-10) winning their categories.

Bright P-12 was represented by Brock Buckland, Cooper Northey, Finn Baudry, Jenna Stephens, Julian Baudry, Kira Mack, Kobe Buckland, Krista Brandon, Sienna Baudry, Tadhg Miller and Taylor Atherstone.

(photo by Maaiké van Besien)

O&M SWIMMING 2021

Thursday 4th March saw the running of the O&M Swimming carnival in glorious weather conditions at the Albury Pool and the small squad of swimmers we took embraced these conditions to put in outstanding performances. The college took 10 students across 4 different age groups. While we were a relatively small contingent we certainly did extremely well with the school finishing 7th overall. This position was bolstered by many great performances across the day including impressive relays from the 16yr old boys

team. Congratulations to Isaac Pywell (13yr old boy) who claimed age group champion for his age with 4 terrific swims (as well as 2 relays). Thanks to everyone for coming and supporting this event. I know it was a hard decision between this and school photo day and I thank you all for attending and making it a great day.

Below is a team photo minus Molly Whitty who had to leave early.



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SECONDARY SPORT UPDATE

On Wednesday 3rd March our 2 classes of Year 10 separately attended Croquet and Lawn Bowls at their venues in town. This day was supported by volunteers from these sporting organisations who took the time to teach and encourage our students in the finer points of these games (some are seen here at Croquet).

All attending students were terrific and respectful in their dealings with these volunteers and I want to thank them all for their positive behaviour and interactions on the day.



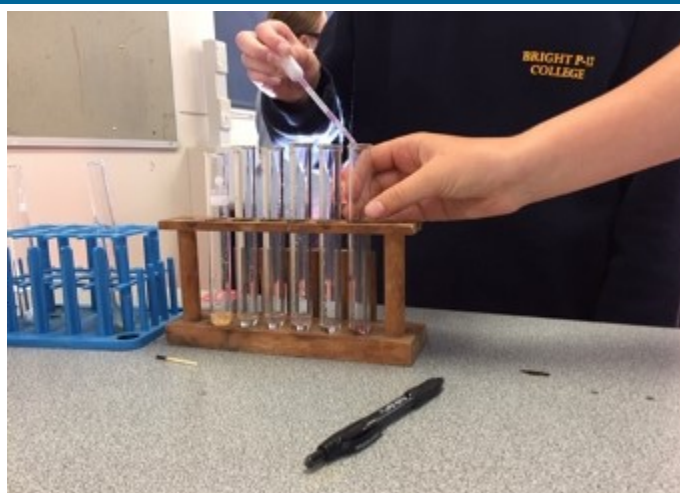
We will again continue with these sports for the next 3 weeks on Tuesdays during periods 3 & 4.

If there are any interested students, parents or grandparents keen to pursue Croquet then please make contact with the club as they are always seeking new members for this fun sport. Ask the students how much fun it was.

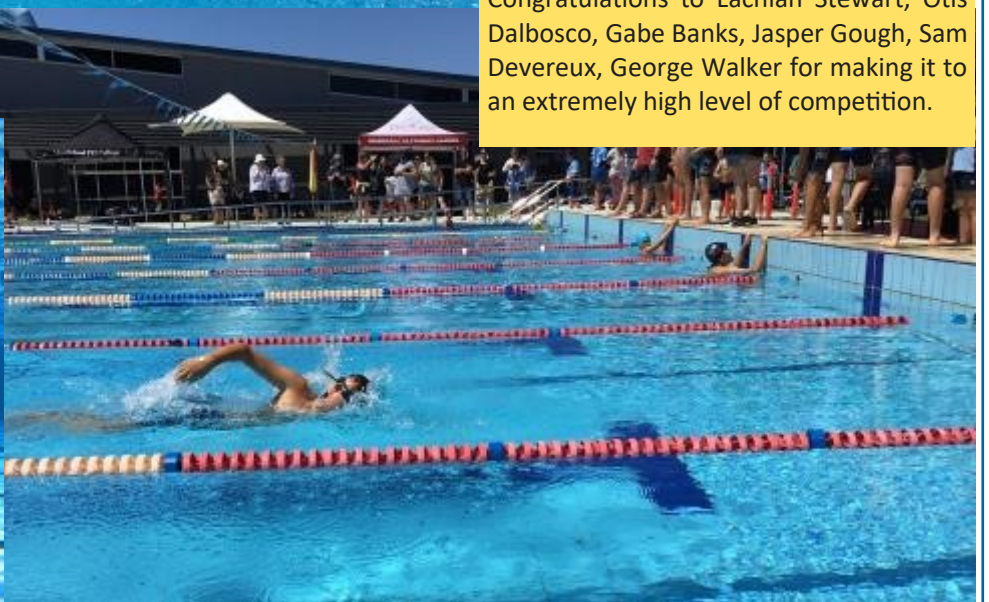


Science cabbage leaf indicator

Last week in Year 9 science, the class were checking the pH of various solutions including vinegar, lemon juice and Fanta soft drink using a universal pH indicator they created from boiled red cabbage leaves. The pinker/redder the solution the more acidic it was while the greener/bluer the solution the more basic it was. Fanta was the test tube on the far left of the photo. Was it acidic or basic?



HUME REGION CARNIVAL



Six Bright P-12 College students, who qualified in a range of individual and relay events, made the trip along the Hume to Shepparton. Competing against others from all schools in the greater north-east region was a rewarding challenge.

Congratulations to Lachlan Stewart, Otis Dalbosco, Gabe Banks, Jasper Gough, Sam Devereux, George Walker for making it to an extremely high level of competition.

OVENS & MITTA DIVISION SWIMMING CARNIVAL WANGARATTA

A team of 20 Bright P-12 College students represented our school and the Alpine District at the newly-built outdoor pool in Wangaratta. The modern facilities and perfect weather made for a fantastic day of competition.

There were a lot of outstanding results, including:

Lachlan Stewart – 1st in 50m Breaststroke

George Walker – 2nd in 50m Backstroke

Otis Dalbosco – 3rd in 50m freestyle

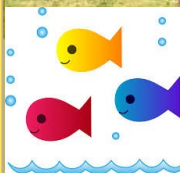
11yo Boys (Jasper Gough, Gabe Banks, Sam Devereux) – 2nd in Freestyle Relay

12/13yo Girls (Sophie Anders, Harriet Herman, Michaela Nightingale) – 3rd in Freestyle Relay

12/13yo Boys (Otis Dalbosco, George Walker) – 2nd in Freestyle Relay

Open Age Boys Medley Relay – (George Walker, Lachlan Stewart, Otis Dalbosco)

A big thanks needs to go to the supportive parents who added to the atmosphere of the day.



COMMUNITY & COLLEGE NOTICES

Newsletter information for Parents AFTER Photo day

School Photos 2021 – Bright P-12 College

Annual school photos have been taken by Arthur Reed Photos.

To view the images of your child and order photos, you will need to first register online.

Go to <https://order.arphotos.com.au> and enter the 2021 image code for your child (from their personalized flyer)

Tap on 'Add another child' to enter the image codes of any siblings

Fill in your email and mobile details and then review all details before confirming your registration

That's it! When 2021 photos are ready, you will be notified by email and SMS.

Even if you registered last year, it's important that you do it again each year using your child's new image code to link their photos for the current year with your contact details.

IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED YOUR CHILD'S IMAGE CODE, PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

To ensure you are ordering school photos for the current year, please wait for notifications that 2021 images are online before placing orders.

In the webshop you can view photos and customize your photo package; Choose ANY layout, ANY image and purchase multiple digital image downloads.

All photo orders will be sent directly to the address you provide when ordering.

REGISTER ONLINE NOW to be notified when 2021 school photos can be viewed and ordered.

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Year 8 Business Studies



Hand-made macrame keychains \$2 bring money. On Wednesday 24th of March outside the library at lunchtime.– All money going to the RSPCA.



COMMUNITY & COLLEGE NOTICES

RRV roadworks and safe cycling



Follow the direction of roadworkers and ride safely at all times.

Regional Roads Victoria have crews working on key tourist routes in the Falls Creek, Mount Hotham and Mount Buller regions in the lead up to Winter 2021.

This includes maintenance works at around 20 sites on the Bogong High Plains Road and the Great Alpine Road, one site on Tawonga Gap Road and around 10 sites on Mount Buller Road and Mount Stirling Road.

We understand our timeframe to complete these works prior to Winter coincides with some of the best weather for enjoying cycling in our Alpine regions and this may cause some inconvenience.

Our aim is to complete the works safely and with minimal disruption. We are also focussed on the safety of our work crews and all road users.

How you can help

To assist us in safely completing the works program, please apply the following if you are riding in an area where works are underway:

- Observe road rules as they apply to all vehicles, including bicycles
- Plan ahead and allow for possible delays
- Observe changed traffic conditions
- Obey signs and traffic management direction at work sites
- Slow down when approaching a work site
- Even if a work site looks clear to ride through, follow the instruction of roadworkers and wait for direction to proceed.

There may be activity at multiple sites at once, please be patient and ride safely at all times.

For more information on bicycle rules, visit:

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