

## Term 2 Week 10 – 22 June 2017

*The newsletter will be distributed fortnightly with room reports appearing in alternate editions.*

**2017 Term Dates:** Term 1 - 1<sup>st</sup> February to 31<sup>st</sup> March (9 weeks)  
Term 2 - 18<sup>th</sup> April – 30<sup>th</sup> June (11 weeks)  
Term 3 - 17<sup>th</sup> July – 22<sup>nd</sup> September (10 weeks)  
Term 4 - 9<sup>th</sup> October – 20<sup>th</sup> December (11 weeks)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
19 <sup>th</sup> June	20 <sup>th</sup> June	21 <sup>st</sup> June	22 <sup>nd</sup> June	23 <sup>rd</sup> June Coffee Morning Cycle 1 Nature Walk 1.30pm
26 <sup>th</sup> June Reports Distributed Prep to grade 6	27 <sup>th</sup> June Music Celebration 2pm	28 <sup>th</sup> June Prep Health Questionnaires Due Back	29 <sup>th</sup> June	30 <sup>th</sup> June Coffee Morning Cycle 2 Excursion Beauty & the Beast Last Day of Term 2 2.15pm finish
School Holidays				
17 <sup>th</sup> July First Day of Term 3	18 <sup>th</sup> July	19 <sup>th</sup> July	20 <sup>th</sup> July	21 <sup>st</sup> July Coffee Morning Cycle 3 Winter Sports Carnival Cycle 3 (nominated students) Meals on Wheels 11.15am-1.15pm
24 <sup>th</sup> July	25 <sup>th</sup> July	26 <sup>th</sup> July	27 <sup>th</sup> July	28 <sup>th</sup> July Coffee Morning
31 <sup>st</sup> July	1 <sup>st</sup> August	2 <sup>nd</sup> August Parent Information Evening	3 <sup>rd</sup> August	4 <sup>th</sup> August Coffee Morning

For any further dates, the **School Stream** App on your smart phone currently shows the next 90 days of events.  
For the rest of the year please see the calendar on our website.

## A note from Susi

Wow! Where has this school term gone? It's hard to believe this is the last newsletter for the term and we are all about to head off on winter holidays. Before we go just a few notes to make ...

### Music Performance Next Tuesday 27 June at 2pm in Turquoise Room.

Please join us for a whole school music performance in which all students will perform marimba pieces and songs as taught by Conrad. This celebration is also an opportunity to thank Conrad for his work with the school as music teacher.

**School Drama:** Next Semester, with the opening of the multi-purpose hall there will be a focus on Performing Arts and in Term 4 the school is participating in School Drama with the Sydney Theatre Company. School Drama™ is a professional learning program, developed by Sydney Theatre Company, for primary school teachers that demonstrates the power of using drama pedagogy with quality literature to improve English and literacy in young learners. In Term 1, four teachers attended the School Drama professional development workshop. Sydney Theatre Company partners the school with a Sydney Theatre Company Teaching Artist. Over seven weeks, during Term 4 this year, the Teaching Artist team teaches the program with the teachers, modelling drama strategies and empowering teachers to confidently integrate these ideas and strategies into their regular teaching practice.

**School fence:** It has been identified by CoM and teaching staff that a front school fence is required to meet our obligations to be child safe school. There have been a number of incidents where children from Cycle 2 and young children exiting the foyer have ended up in the car park and/or on the road. Given these incidents have, and will continue to occur it is our responsibility to take reasonable action to manage these risks. Fencing options and management actions are currently being considered by the Building Subcommittee along with Staff. If you would like to have input or request further information, please contact Jacqui Alessi, by no later than 21 July 2017, on [info@bms.vic.edu.au](mailto:info@bms.vic.edu.au) or leave a note in the form lodgement box or mobile 0437 361 552.

**The 'New Look' reports:** Over the course of Term 2, during a series of meetings, all classroom Directors reviewed the school report structure with the aim of designing a new look parent friendly report. Many robust discussions were had, considering in depth topics such as reflecting the progression of development across the Montessori National Curriculum and the content of the 5 point descriptors, to the smaller details of front cover design and the colour of the paper for printing. The 'new look report' imparts the same amount of information just in an easier to read format. We hope you enjoy the 'new look' and would love to hear your feedback.

**Work experience:** Next week, one of our former Beechworth Montessori students, Opal Thomas will be participating in work experience. Opal is currently attending Year 10 at Cathedral College in Wangaratta. Opal will spend some time in each cycle.

**Change of hours in Ruby Room** As part of the Early Years Review conducted this term some changes have been made to staffing arrangements and hours of operation of the Educational Care Program in Ruby Room. Commencing at the beginning of Term 3 (next term) the Educational Care Program will finish at 5pm on Monday to Thursday. We thank families for their understanding.

Wishing you all a safe, warm, happy and healthy holiday.  
Susi

## General News

### School Photos

School photos are now available for pick up in the foyer. There are some extra pieces of cardboard available to keep them safe for bus travellers

### Coffee Mornings

Our Friday coffee mornings continue....connect with other parents from 8.30am in the foyer. Enjoy Allpress coffee kindly donated by the Cellar Door and made by Cooper Roscouet to raise funds for Syrian refugees.

## Plastics Talk

We learned how dangerous plastic bags are for our marine life. They look like jelly fish so turtles and fish eat them. We saw someone who made a boat out of plastic and sailed away, in the middle of the ocean he caught a fish and found plastic inside! We found out about Mae West the turtle who swam into a milk plastic ring when she was very little and what that had done to her.



### Did you know?

Did you know that it is 10 years since Beechworth Montessori was listed as a school? Interestingly, Susi Allen, our Acting Principal this year was our first principal 10 years ago!!

We also learned how important it is to



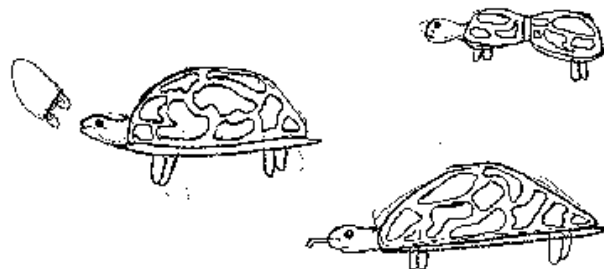
OUR PLANET NEEDS OUR HELP  
TO HELP THE PLANET...

try Not to use the things  
on this list.

- \*Plastic Bags
- \*Straws
- \*Coffee Cups
- \*Plastic cutlery
- \*cappings on milk bottles and caps
- \*Plastic bottles
- \*Polystyrene/foam
- \*Food Wrappers and Containers



Look at what happened  
to these Animals



Lu Anna and Pia



## Montessori Matters

### What outcomes can we look for from Montessori?

*from Montessori Foundation Family Alliance Online Library*

There are eight primary aspects to what we normally look for in children who have grown up with a Montessori education:

**Academic Preparation:** Montessori prepares students both for higher education and for life. On an academic level, Montessori helps students attain skills that allow them to become independently functioning adults and life-long learners.

**Intrinsic Motivation:** Innate desire drives Montessori children to engage in activities for enjoyment and satisfaction.

**Internalised Ground Rules and the Ability to Work with External Authority:** Montessori students are normally comfortable with ground rules that set the boundaries for their interactions within the school community. Because these ground rules become internalised, Montessori students normally learn to behave appropriately whether or not teachers are present.

**Social Responsibility:** Montessori children tend to be quite sensitive to the rights and needs of others. They tend to make a positive contribution to their community.

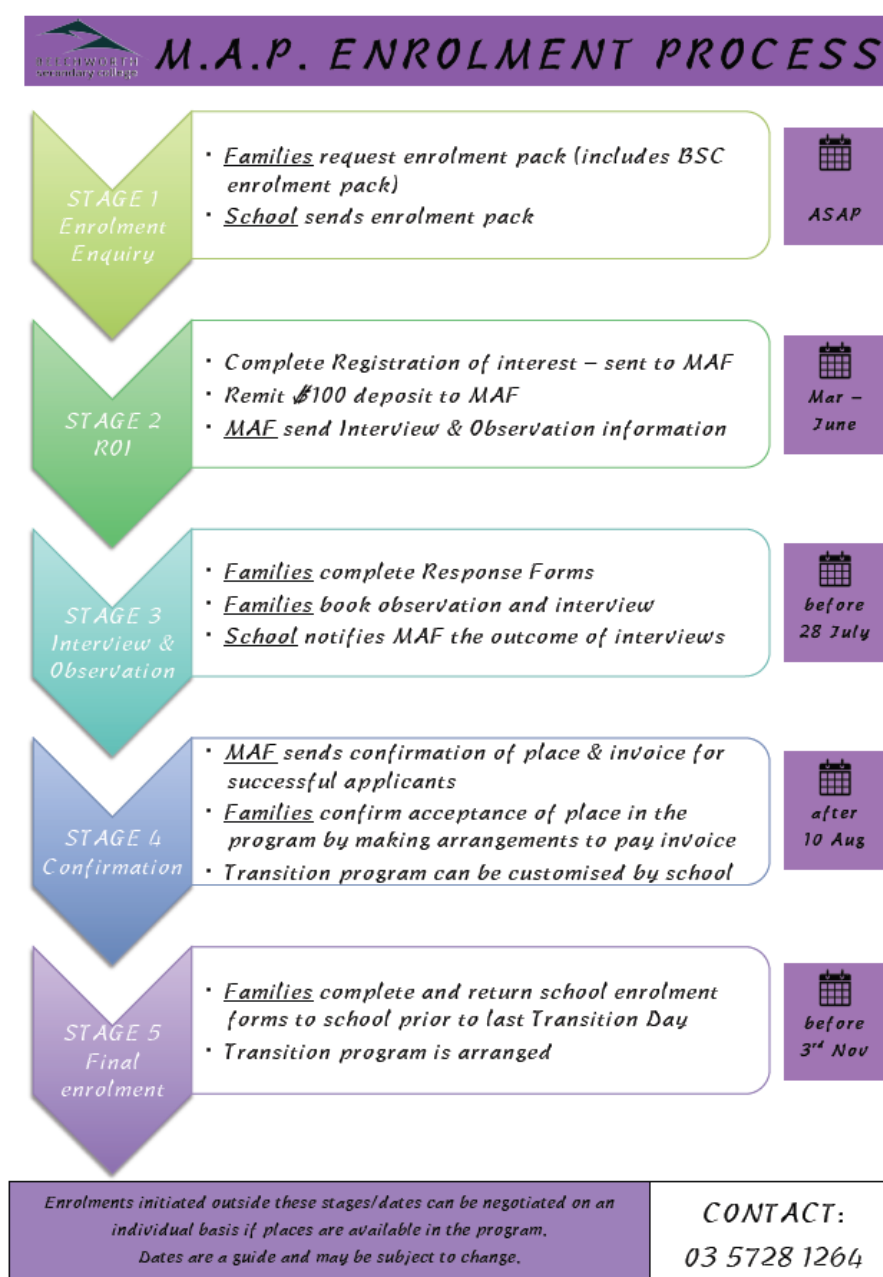
**Autonomy:** Montessori students tend to become self-directed, composed and morally independent.

**Confidence and Competence:** Montessori students tend to become confident, competent, self-reflective, and, thereby, successful. They are generally not afraid of failure and learn from mistakes.

**Creativity and Originality of Thought:** Montessori students normally become confident in expressing their own ideas and creativity. They recognize the value of their own work, respect the creative process of others and are willing to share their ideas regardless of the risk of rejection. Montessori students tend to take great satisfaction in self-expression.

**Spiritual Awareness:** Montessori students are often exceptionally compassionate, empathetic, and sensitive to the natural world and the human condition.

## Montessori Adolescent Program at Beechworth Secondary College







# RAD growers

RADgrowers is delivering to the Beechworth Montessori School carpark!

Erin and Chess are stewards of a small market garden down the hill in Bungowannah. They employ organic and regenerative farming practices to produce fresh, seasonal nutrient produce for their local community.

They offer seasonal subscriptions or casual options for seasonal veggie boxes and deliver every Wednesday between 330 - 530pm.

If you're keen to know more, take a look at their website [www.radgrowers.com](http://www.radgrowers.com) or stop by and say hi during any of their drop offs.

" I love getting my vegelover box each week. The produce is abundant and flavoursome and I know my family are getting the best possible nutrition, which makes it worth every sent. I am a devoted subscriber" Dannielle Bell



Girls Gala Day

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June

10am-2pm

Savoy Park

Myrtleford

This is a free "come and try" event and open to girls aged 6-13yoa

You can enter as an individual or as a team.

Girls from Mt Beauty, Bright, Wodonga, Yackandandah, Wangaratta, Beechworth and Myrtleford are playing.

For enquiries or to register, please email your child's name, age and residing town to Atila Kerestes, Development Officer, Football Federation Victoria,; [akerestes@ffv.org.au](mailto:akerestes@ffv.org.au) Mob: 0428 574 423

Or contact your local MiniRoos Club:

[dcappa@live.com.au](mailto:dcappa@live.com.au)



## BRIGHT RED

FOOTBALL IN  
THE COMMUNITY

MUFC ACADEMY

### SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINICS JULY 2017

**Ages:**  
5-14 years

**Cost:**  
\$40 per day or \$100 for 3 days

**Times:**  
9am - 1pm

**Location:**  
Yackandandah Sports Field  
La Trobe University, Wodonga

**Yackandandah: Tues 4, Wed 5 July 2017**

**Albury/Wodonga: Tues 11, Wed 12, Thurs 13, July 2017**

#### ENQUIRIES:

To book a place, please email

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## School Holiday Programme

Where: Ryan Avenue Guide Hall Wangaratta

When: 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> of July 9am-12pm

Price: \$30 for 3 day programme.

The programme involves three, 3 hour sessions introducing the students to Scottish and Irish dance practices.

Based on fun and fitness, students will perform what they learn on completion of the programme.

Children and adults all welcome.

If interested please contact Suzanne Smith Phone: 0408005584

Email: [info@balmoralhighlanddancing.com.au](mailto:info@balmoralhighlanddancing.com.au)



## AUSTRALIAN NAVY CADETS

### Would like to go on an adventure?

The Australian Navy Cadets (ANC) is a leading provider of youth development experiences, sponsored by the Royal Australian Navy and aims to build teamwork and leadership skills in young people through exciting and rewarding adventure and maritime activities and quality learning opportunities.

Adventure and fun are the key ingredients for all camping, water sport and team challenge activities. The ANC will get to learn how to sail, navigate and gain skills in everything from information technology, communications, cooking, first aid to drill, seamanship and many more exciting activities.



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# School Holiday Activities @Indigo Shire Libraries



## Creative Writing

Join author **Craig Dent** for an interactive creative writing workshop. Children will create a verse relating to Craig's latest book, *The Laugh That Shook The World*. There will also be a chance to have their work included in the book, which is due to be published in December. For ages 9-12.

Craig Dent has been funded by the Australia Council for the Arts and has been a writer in residence at Western Plains Zoo and at Macquarie Primary School.

- Beechworth Library Wednesday 12 July 1.30pm-2.30pm
- Chiltern Library Friday 14 July 1.30pm-2.30am
- Rutherglen Library Friday 14 July 10.30am-11.30am
- Yackandandah Library Wednesday 12 July 10.30am-11.30pm

This is a FREE event. Bookings essential

## Makercraft

Come to the library to create some simple action craft using everyday objects. For ages 5-8.

- Beechworth Library Tuesday 4 July 10.30am-12pm
- Chiltern Library Tuesday 4 July 1.30pm-3pm
- Rutherglen Library Wednesday 5 July 10.30am-12pm
- Yackandandah Library Tuesday 4 July 1.30pm-3pm

This is a FREE event. Bookings essential

### RUBBER BAND BOATS



## Storytime

### Story Time



Books are brought to life through the libraries' regular storytime sessions during the school holidays. For pre-school children and their carers.

- Beechworth Library Friday 10.30am-11.30am
- Chiltern Library Friday 11am-12pm
- Rutherglen Library Wednesday 9.15am-10.15am
- Yackandandah Library Thursday 9.30am-10.30am

This is a FREE event. For ages 0-5

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