



Full newsletter will be distributed fortnightly with a brief memo in alternate weeks.

From the Principal and the President of the Committee of Management

We were lucky enough to have a visit from Karen Bennetts this week. Karen works from Montessori Australia Foundation and led a staff meeting on Monday night. There was lots of positive discussion and many helpful insights. It was great to have the benefit of Karen's experience as a former Montessori School Principal and a Montessori Australia representative about what Montessori Schools require at the present time, and the extent to which an interest in Montessori Education provides real opportunities and career paths for educators. Karen was incredibly positive about our school, how we have grown from our origins and what we have ahead of us. She also provided staff with the opportunity to ask questions and have anything clarified that they wished.

Thank-you Karen for making the trip to Beechworth and spending time with us!

We also look forward to hosting all the Victorian Montessori principals here at Beechworth Montessori in a fortnight on Friday 29 July.

Cycle Cross Country Ski Trip

The Cycle 3 Cross Country Ski Trip has been moved to next Thursday 28th July, weather depending.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Laura & Jared on the birth of Oscar, a new brother for James. We trust you are enjoying this special time



The HART Project

Last year the Health and Resilient Together (HART) Project came to Beechworth with many children, parents and staff enjoying the engaging, informative and enlightening sessions with presenter Hugh van Cuylenburg.

Students will be attending the student sessions on Tuesday – you should have received an excursion form this week. Staff will be attending the educator session on Wednesday evening.

There are three sessions being run for parents in an attempt to make it as accessible as possible for you to get to. You will all have received your invitations from the children to attend the parent & community sessions.

They will be held on: Monday 25th July from 9.30am to 11am in Yackandandah (Yackandandah Public Hall)

Monday 25th July from 7pm to 8.30pm in Yackandandah (Yackandandah Public Hall)

Tuesday 26th July from 7pm to 8.30pm in Beechworth (George Kerferd Hotel)

This program inspired change in families, schools and students and I encourage you to watch one of Hugh's presentations on you tube – just enter his name into the search - and get a taste of what is coming our way!

Working with Children Checks & BMS Code of Conduct– New Child Safe Standards

As part of the new Child Safe Standards all volunteers who are in contact with children, must have a Working With Children Check and sign the Beechworth Montessori Code of Conduct.

From 10th August all parents who are participating in the classrooms, be it helping with the reading or cooking programs or going on excursions **must** have lodged a WWC check and signed the Code of Conduct.

Those of you who already have a WWC check lodged with us will, in the coming weeks receive copy of the Code of Conduct to read and sign.

A Working With Children Check can be completed online <http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au>

If you select 'volunteer' when completing the check, you will not have to pay a fee. The only cost involved is a fee for passport photos.

For more information in relation to the Child Safe Standards and expected implementation please refer to the following website. <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/health/Pages/childsafes.asp>



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CHILTERN JAM SESSION WEEKEND JULY 23 + 24

6 VENUES • 6 GENRES FREE ENTRY

TELEGRAPH HOTEL	ELECTRIC (DRUM KIT & KEYBOARD IN VENUE)
IRONBARK TAVERN	ACOUSTIC - ALL SORTS
THE VINE	BLUES (PIANO IN VENUE)
HUB 62	BLUEGRASS / OLD TIMEY
STAR THEATRE	CELTIC / IRISH FOLK / FOLK
CHILTERN GOODS SHED	YOUTH JAM
STAR THEATRE	OPEN MIC. SESSION TO CONCLUDE WEEKEND
PUBLIC SPACES	FOR BUSKERS

SATURDAY: NOON TIL LATE | SUNDAY: NOON TIL 3.30PM | OPEN MIC: 4PM TIL 9PM

This weekend of jam sessions will feature a blend of accomplished musicians and those beginning their jamming careers. It's a great opportunity to drop in, meet other musicians, blow your heart out on your favourite tune or kick back and listen in. Muso's of any standard are welcome – music students, gigging muso's, amateurs of all persuasions, professionals having a night off, and even professionals having an off night. Listeners welcome.

- Stick with one jam... or move around.
- Come along for a few hours... or stay the weekend.

More information & Things to See & Do at: www.chilternvc.com or phone: 03 5726 1611

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 James Lodge 0438 620 521	 Indigo Suite at Chiltern Cottage 0419 388 048	 Lake Anderson Caravan Park 03 5726 1298	 Limeburner's Cottage B&B 03 5726 1300	 Colonial Motor Inn 03 5726 1788
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