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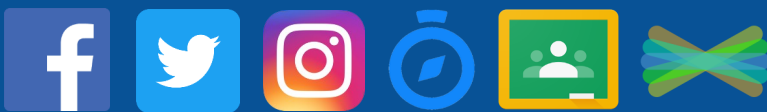
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Principal's Report

Paul Newson, Principal

Welcome to Term 3. Once again we are in the midst of a snap lockdown, our second for Term 3. Please keep an eye on our ever changing school calendar as we will still have a full term of events for students and staff.

Staff are working hard to offer an interesting, dynamic and challenging REMOTE learning program. The student's engagement with the program is a testament to the commitment of families and students and I would like to acknowledge and thank everyone's contribution.

Our third SSG evening was held on Thursday 29th July. We were hoping to have offered a blended model where parents and carers were able to choose ZOOM or face-to-face with classroom teachers, however due to COVID-19 restrictions we were only able to offer ZOOM. I hope you were able to have some good discussions with our classroom teachers. If you were not able to meet with your child's teacher you are welcome to book a mutually convenient time.

Once again, we will need to change the date for our Open Night & Careers and Community Expo Evening. We have cancelled the evening due to COVID-19 lockdowns. Chris Goaley will notify all parents and carers once a new date has been locked in.

We were extremely lucky to have been able to squeeze our Year 7 and 8 Camp in between lockdowns. The students went to Camp Manyung in Mt Eliza. All reports were that the students had a great time participating in many activities.

As our school calendar continues to change, it is becoming increasing difficulty to find available dates, for camps, excursions, professional learning, open days and many other events. The available days are reduced because of the lockdowns and other schools bookings and our own timetable constraints. We will keep you updated with all of the changes.



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Professional Learning

Venessa Sigamoney, Learning Specialist

This term we will continue with our plans to provide professional learning for staff on the Respectful Relationships program and School Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS) program. We will also continue with our focus on Numeracy and Literacy programs.

At this stage we are continuing with our planned Monday 16th August Curriculum Day. If the day goes ahead it will be a student free day. We will as always, notify all parents and carers via our COMPASS platform.

Wellbeing

Alexis Reinheimer, Mental Health Practitioner

Our focus on student and staff wellbeing continues to be a priority for Berendale School. For staff, BGKLEN ran a PD on managing stress and anxiety, and the Mental Health Practitioner presented to staff on self-care. This term, a number of students have been engaged in short-term, individualised counselling and case coordination with our Mental Health Practitioner, who also runs a social and emotional skills group during recess. The Student Representative Council (SRC) is collaborating with wellbeing to celebrate wellbeing and diversity days of significance at a whole-school level. Recently, we have celebrated NAIDOC week, Stop Cyberbullying Day and International Day of Friendship. In the next couple of weeks, the Mental Health Practitioner will be commencing the "Peaceful Kids Mindfulness and Positive Psychology" program for a small number of students over 8 weeks.

Next term, wellbeing will be collaborating with Bayside, Glen Eira, Kingston, Local Learning Employment Network (BGKLEN), to facilitate a weekly "Managing Stress and Anxiety" program for students.

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Middle School

Mandy Thomas, Middle School Leader

The Year 7 & 8 Camp in week four was our first school camp since 2019. This year's camp was at Camp Manyung in Mount Eliza. Students were involved in various activities that challenged, excited and broadened their experiences. In particular, they developed teamwork and built resilience while participating in the activities. Camp Manyung is renowned for its fabulous setting and for providing activities and experiences that take advantage of the great outdoors, support mental and physical health.

Senior School

Chris Goaley, Senior School Leader

During Term 3 we have our Year 9 & 10 camp at Campaspe Downs Adventure Camp (Kyneton). At the Year 9 & 10 camp students will have the opportunity to participate in activities that are linked to personal and social development learning outcomes. Students will share a sense of group cohesiveness as they participate in activities that promote self-esteem, resourcefulness, independence, leadership, judgement, cooperation and tolerance. Furthermore students will be challenged to further develop their problem solving and life survival skills in a safe and supportive environment.



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Key Dates

Curriculum Day (Student Free Day)

Monday 16th August

Reports Published on Compass

Friday 27th August

Careers Expo and Open Night

Thursday 9th September

Whole School Assembly

Thursday 10th September

Year 9 and 10 Camp

Wednesday 15th September to
Friday 17th September

Term 3 Concludes

Friday 17th September
School finishes at 2pm





GRE8/MAKENBAKE DANDENONG

Ben Friswell from Berendale School

Since the beginning of 2020, Ben Friswell has been the sole representative from Berendale in the SBAT program at Gre8 in Dandenong South.

Ben has been working toward achieving a nationally recognized qualification in Food Processing Certificate 2 and gaining credits for VCAL. Ben attends the SBAT program on Tuesdays and Wednesdays where he participates in a workbook training session for his certificate, followed by production work in our commercial kitchen.

Ben really enjoys challenges, like being a part of our cookie making business we call Makenbake. Ben's responsibilities include following safe hygienic practices, listening to instructions, working well with others and learning how a small business operates making delicious cookies. He also likes to make special meals, such as fresh pasta, sausage rolls, pizzas and desserts, for our Foodbank partner to send forward to charities that need regular assistance. Ben has gained valuable skills and experience which are necessary tools to assist a new job seeker to find employment.

One day soon Ben would like to begin a real part-time job and also be able to travel to work by himself, showing to himself and others that he is becoming more independent. Ben is excited to hopefully take on bigger responsibilities in his life and be able to make more friends to play his favourite games with.



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12A Goes Japanese at Chadstone

12A Class

12A caught the 627 bus from Moorabbin train station on the left hand side near Kingston Town Hall. The bus took forty minutes to and from Chadstone Shopping Centre — Adam

Daiso sells Japanese snacks and lollies, Japanese drinks, socks, packets of seeds to plant vegetables and ice-cream. I liked this store because it had lots of different kinds of things - Anthony

At Muji they sell things like books, neutral colour clothes for men, woman and babies and they also have things like cooking pans and furniture. They also had a place to make coffee and sit down and there was a place for kids to play. I liked this store because it was clean and there was not that many people there. It also they had good music – Navishka

UniQlo had wonderful colourful dress codes – Adam

I bought a sugar bun with custard inside from BreadTop which also sold Japanese bean cakes and cheesecakes – Eddie

I bought two sushi rolls, one with crispy chicken and the other with tuna and avocado. They were a healthy food choice from Sushi Sushi – Yuna.

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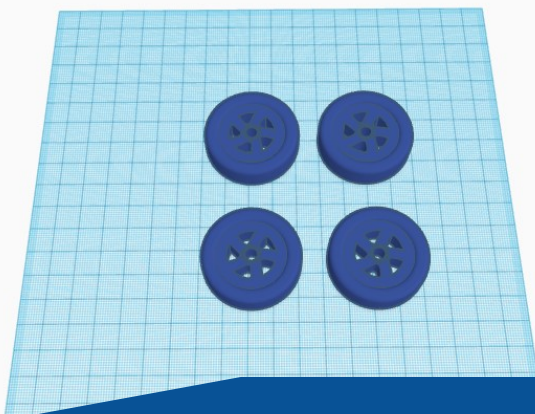
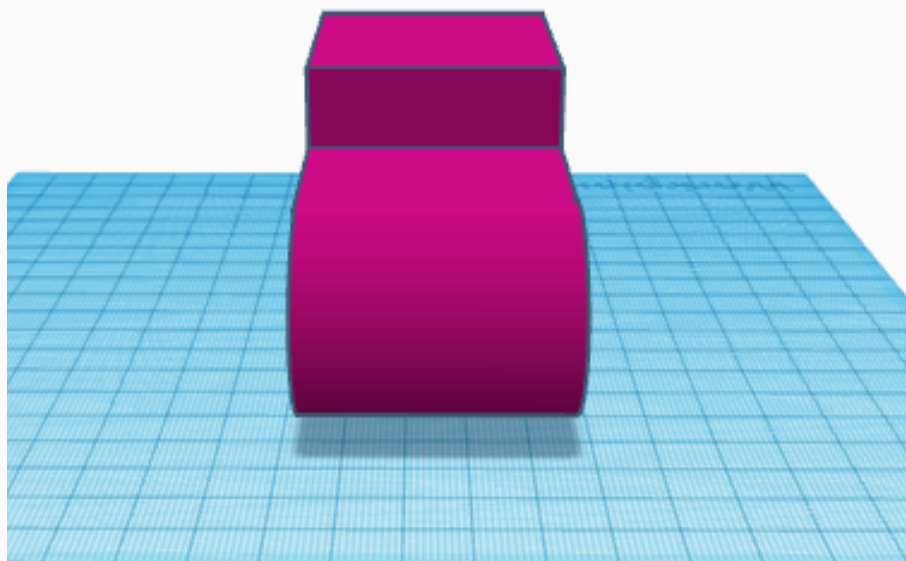
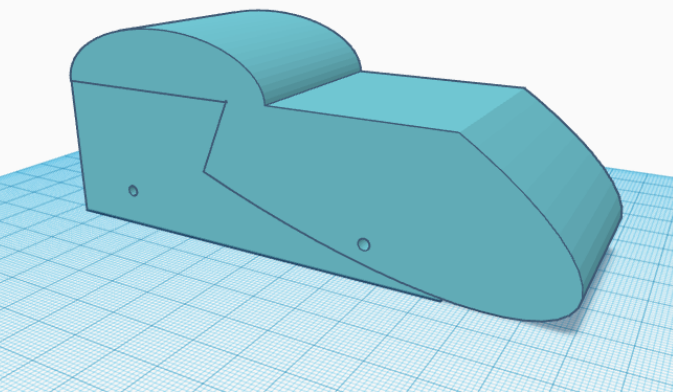
2021 PrintACar Challenge

Andy Ding, Technology Teacher

In Tech Club, students worked in a group to prepare their entry for the PrintACar Challenge. They designed and 3D printed their model car. They also worked together to prepare a PowerPoint presentation to showcase their car design for the competition. Their portfolio of work including their model car, will be delivered and submitted to Quantum Victoria to compete in a race. The car that finishes the race the fastest will win the competition!

I commend the students for their resilience and determination in completing their project despite having been in and out of remote learning since they started it. I look forward to seeing the outcome of their project.

I would like to give a special mention to our ES staff members, Sam and Ryan for supporting the students to assemble their cars.



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invites you to

CAREERS EXPO AND OPEN NIGHT

New Date: Thursday 9th September 2021 at 5pm-7pm

Venue: Berendale School, 2 Berend St Hampton East VIC 3188

Enter via the General Office

Enquiries: 95556141

Register for this event on Compass

All current and prospective students and families are encouraged to attend

Careers Expo

Post school options for students with a disability

Expo in the Hospitality Building

Meet service providers for information on:

- TAFE
- Employment Services
- NDIS
- Day Program
- Supported Employment

Open Night

All classrooms open with student work on display.

Pop Up Room for enrolment enquiries in the Hospitality Building.

- Annual Art Show Exhibition
- School Band Performances





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