EAST LODDON P- 12 COLLEGE PARENT NEWSLETTER

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Dates for Your Diary

SEPTEMBER

15th Zeeko Music P-4 1.50pm start MPR Parents Free

18th Primary Division Athletics

Yr7 Big Picture Market Day (more details next week)

20th College Production 6 days to go $5 per person

Community BBQ 6pm

21st Yr 7 Immunisation

AFL's 9s Years 5 / 6

22nd Yr 5 & 7 Recycling Program Waste Audit

End of Term 3 Early finish 2.30pm

9th Term 4 begins

12th Loddon Mallee Athletics

From the Principal

*** College Production ***
*** Wednesday Sept 20th ***

Look Out For Us In The Addy!

Yesterday was an exciting day for us at the College with Bendigo Advertiser reporter Emma D'Agostino spending an entire day with our students and staff. Emma displayed a tremendous rapport and manner with all students from Prep – Year 12, and gathered information on a wide range of stories and initiatives. Our wonderful Parent Association provided an outstanding array of slices for the occasion and a trusty ham and salad roll from the College canteen ensured that Emma was well catered for at lunch. At some stage in the not too distant future, East Loddon P-12 College with feature on the Bendigo Advertiser website and/or newspaper.

Having spent the entire day with Emma myself, I can honestly say that the really impressive 'thing' that I gained from the day was the reassurance that we offer a tremendous amount of high-level opportunities for our students on a daily basis and provide a wonderful opportunity for our students to grow and achieve in their schooling and beyond. I would like to express my thanks to all staff, students and community members who gave their time so willingly to Emma. I would also like to express thanks to Emma and the team at the Addy for the tremendous level of time and genuine care that we felt yesterday.

YEAR 11 STUDY GROUP

Lions Club Social 22nd September has been cancelled

Many of our Year 11 students have begun a study group at lunchtimes in the College library, which we as staff have been extremely impressed with. Here are a few words from Jo C and Ethan L, to explain what they are doing.

'Each lunch time some students from Year 11 have been using the library in order to study for some of their classes. It has been really helpful to have the extra study time and has helped us improve our results from multiple classes, especially when we have a SAC coming up.'

Congratulations Nathan!

Last Friday 8th September Year 10 student Natan D attended the Hockey Central Vic Presentation Evening with his parents. Nathan won the Best and Fairest Award for the Under 17 Mixed Association (HCV) Competition. This award is determined by the Umpires and is fantastic recognition for the time, effort and dedication that Nathan has put into his Hockey.

Congratulations are extended to Nathan on this great achievement!

Thanks Archer!

Earlier this week I had Year 1 student Archer K visit my office to read me the picture story book 'Chip'. The story itself was quite amusing on many occasions, with the level of expression shown by Archer certainly adding to the entertaining story. Unbeknown to Archer, Mrs Cutting and Mrs Cail were also listening from the front Office to Archer's reading, and they were equally as impressed as I was with the wonderful level of fluency that Archer displayed.

Second Hand Uniform Donations

Thanks are extended to all College community members who have so generously donated items of second hand uniform back to the College Parent Association. We really appreciate this level of generosity but ask that any items that are in very poor condition, remain at home rather than be sent back to the College.

Private Speech Sessions

Availability will shortly open up for another 2 students of kinder or school age to undertake private speech sessions with Laura-Jane of Talk It Up Speech Pathology. These sessions take place at the College on a fortnightly basis, assisting families in accessing this much sought after service, and preventing the need to take a full day off school to attend an appointment in Bendigo or Echuca. Laura-Jane has established a tremendous rapport with all students who currently attend sessions, and the positive results gains that have been noted with current students have been most positive.

If this service is something that you would like to know more about, please do not hesitate to make contact with our College Office, or alternatively you may wish to talk directly with Laura-Jane on 0438 006 445.

Feel free to also take a look at Talk It Up's website - http://www.talkitupbendigo.com/

Hope to see you at the Production next Wednesday!

Steven Leed
College Principal

Assistant Principal's Report

Assistant Principal's News

It's on! Next Wednesday is the PRODUCTION. Whooop whooop. Students and staff have been busily preparing acts to showcase our talents in front of the community. Miss Harrington has been teaching people to sing and dance and coordinate themselves with their peers and Mr Leed has been polishing up his vocal skills, ready to sing with his lovely baritone voice in front of 400+ people. I can't wait to see that. As per usual it will be class acts, and by that I mean each class, interspersed by lightning fast set changes and witty banter between our hosts. Oh how proud you will all be! Get together with Grandpa and Granny and Uncle Bert and Aunt Gracie and all other family members who love this sort of stuff and charge up your video cameras and phones, for this once in a lifetime opportunity to capture embarrassingly good memories of your children and their teachers.

There will be 2 shows, firstly a Matinee at 1pm. We call it a Matinee, but some know it as a dress rehearsal, because it is generally our only chance to have a rehearsal with everyone there. The cost to get in is $5 per person. This will allow you to attend the matinee and the evening event. Bargain huh! All proceeds go to purchasing even more equipment for the performing arts, such as better sound and lighting for the gym, so that we become more and more professional each year. There will also be some snacks and drinks for sale and other goodies. Pack lunch or lunch money as normal for Wednesday 20th September, but at dinner time please join us from 6pm for a Community BBQ.

To the parents of young students p-2? It's a tricky one right. We want you and your kids to be there until the end if possible. This for some we know will be difficult as some kids go to bed earlier than finish time. We understand that and don't want to mess with routines too much, however, that said we endeavor to be finished by 8:30 pm so if it helps, maybe kids can have a good rest up on Tuesday night in preparation. If you and your young child/ren desperately need to leave early we understand, just try and do so at interval of acts.

I'm excited

Mr Wilkinson.
Assistant Principal

Repeated Production News

Production update:

Only 40 days to go until the College Production.

This year's production will be held on **Wednesday 20th September 2017**. It will feature a matinee performance in the afternoon as well as an evening performance (more details to follow next week).

The students have been working hard to create their production acts but now we need your help! Please find below a list of costumes and props that we will need for each class.

Prep: 1910s fashion

- Boys – black or grey pants (school pants are fine), white shirts, suspenders
- Girls – long, plain coloured dresses or blouse and long skirt (black, white, navy, grey etc).

Year 1/2: 1940s

- Christmas accessories (antlers, Rudolf's nose, Santa hats)

1940s fashion (see images for examples), white socks, school shoes

Year 2/3: 2000s

- All black clothing (long sleeved top, pants, socks and shoes)

As many as possible for the class: Glow sticks, table-top disco lights (similar to the one pictured)

Year 3/4: The Wizard of Oz (1930s)

- Dorothy, Glinda, Lion, Scarecrow, Tin Man: 'Wizard of Oz' styled costumes
- All other roles: bright coloured clothing (clashy colours, patterns, etc), boys - suspenders.

Props: fake flowers, party streamers

Year 5: 1950s

- News reporters – semi-formal jackets that would suit 1950s time period.
- Queen – long formal dress, crown
- Athlete – white shorts, top, socks and shoes

All others: any 1950s attire

Year 6: 1970s

- Students to discuss individual roles with family at home

For class: black, white and red face paint

Repeated Production News

Year 7: 1960s

- Presenters: Child-like dresses (bright colours)
- Elvis – any Elvis styled suit from 1960s
- Bear – bear costume

All others: any 1960s attire

Year 8: 1980s

- Group 1: 1980s exercise attire

Group 2: Any other 1980s attire

Year 9: Current decade

Casual clothing

Year 10: 1920s

- Any 1920s attire (see examples)

Year 11: Future

Career orientated clothing (all individual roles)

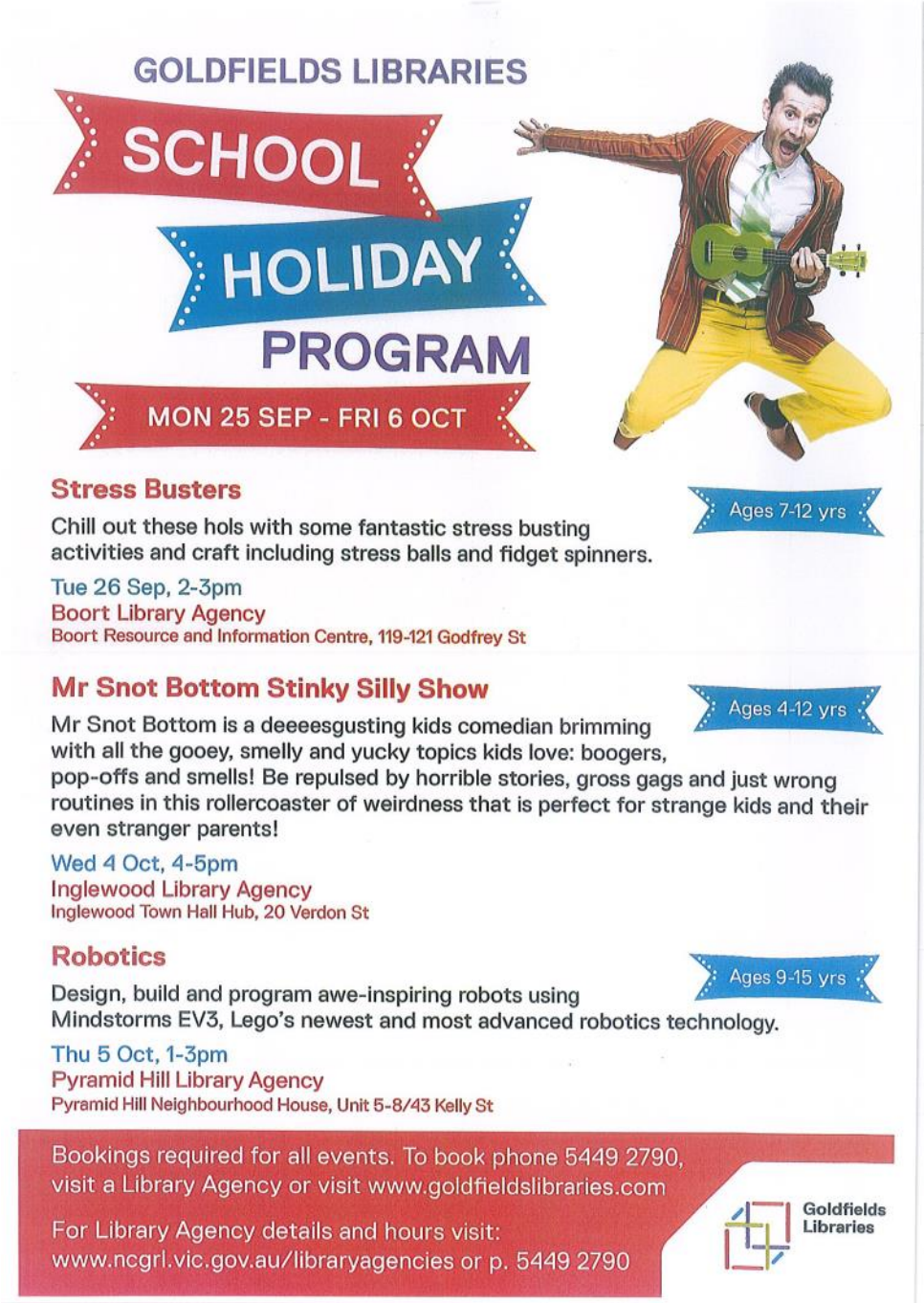
Year 12: 1990s

- Spice girls and Britney: 'pop culture' female 1990s attire
- Nirvana: 1990s 'grunge scene' attire
- Titanic: early 20th century clothing (1910s)

Fan

Please contact the office or write a note for your child to give to their classroom teacher if you have any of the above props that we could borrow or costumes to be shared. Your child/ren may also have been given more information regarding their individual costume requirements by myself or the classroom teacher. Please check with your child/ren to see if there is anything else they will need.

- Miss Harrington



Deutsche Nachrichten

Klasse Preps have learnt the Hallo Felix, Hallo Franzi song, as well as completing their Felix und Franzi puppets. Klasse 2-3 have continued their work on Tiere (animals). They are now having a go at saying a sentence about an animal wearing clothes. The students have said some interesting sentences, like "Der Nashorn trägt Hosen und Wollmütze'(the rhino wears pants and a beanie) and 'Der Löwe trägt Unterhosen' (the lion wears underpants). Gut gemacht, Klasse 2-3. Klasse 3-4 have continued working on their 'April, April er macht was er will' mobile and saying the poem with a very German accent (the class have been working on their pronunciation). Klasse 5 have started learning the 'Lederhosen' song which they will sing and do the actions when they participate in the German Day at the Bendigo Art Gallery. This will be held on Friday, 20th October at the Bendigo Art Gallery. Planning for this day is just about finished. An application for funding towards covering part of the travelling costs for the students to travel down to Bendigo by bus has been successful. This is very good for the students. Permission forms will be sent out in the first week of term 4.

Annette Burgstett
German Co-ordinator

P-4 Sub-School

P-4 Update

Building Strong Foundations

Student of The Week

Prep—Jessica for her enthusiasm during the Literacy Week Author studies.

Year 1—Angus for his great effort and achievement with his reading.

Year 2—Jake for using descriptive words in his Narrative.

Year 3—Keira for her leadership in the class and demonstrating school values by listening and caring.

Year 4—Molly for her tremendous effort all week.

You Can Do It! Persistence (Working Tough)

Prep—Lucas C

Year 1—Oscar

Year 2—Angus

Year 3—Zach

Year 4—Mia

Reading Clubs

200 Nights of Reading	**Y3-Joe** **Y2-Georgia** **Y1-Oscar** **Prep-Jessica**
175 Nights of Reading	**Y4-Macey** **Y3-Hayley**
150 Nights of Reading	**Y3-Gracie and Aidan**

Prep Sounds in Focus

Our sounds in focus this week are **'ch'** and **'sh'.**

Prep Words To Fluency

The high frequency words are went, can and play, while the theme words are past, present, old, new, then and now.

Performing Arts Reminder Zeeko Performance

A reminder that we have a touring performance 'Zeeko' at school tomorrow. If you haven't returned the permission slip and money and you would like your child to attend, please send them to the Office before 9 am tomorrow.

Literacy Hints

Handwriting remains an important component of learning. Research reinforces the fact that the brain actually remembers more when information is handwriting (there is a direct link between the movement of the fingers and brain function and the act of writing assists with retention). Developing a neat standard of writing doesn't always come easy but there are a number of factors that can support its development:

Expectations are important. Accepting messy work sends a message that 'messy' is okay.

Hold the pencil correctly. Pinch and tuck is the best grip as it allows for flexible movement of the fingers. Any other grip is like putting a break on the fingers, forcing the hold hand to become rigid, making writing a more difficult task and hampering good formation.

Practice- Practice doesn't necessarily make perfect but it certainly helps. A white board is a great resource. Practising correct letter formation helps it to become automatic, allowing your child to focus on other aspects of their writing, such as sentence structure and spelling.

There are lots of activities that will assist the growth of fine muscle and hand/eye co-ordination. These include threading, Lego, colouring, dot to dots, cutting, weaving, nailing and the list goes on. Fun activities with lots of benefits.

Reading Buddies Being a P-12 has incredible advantages. One advantage is that we have is the readiness of our senior students to volunteer to help younger students with their reading. The Year 12s have been awesome with the Preps (see how much effort they put in with Literacy Week) and they also drop in a help with the Year 1s. Our Year 9s have buddied up with the Year 1s and are doing a great job of supporting their younger buddies, listening to them read and reading to them. Starting Term 4, the Year 10s are dropping into the Year 2 room and providing help with reading. They are not only great role models but also provide the younger students with opportunities to practise skills on a one to one basis. Thanks, Years 12, 10 and 9, you are making an incredible difference in the lives of our young learners.

Year 2-3 Integrated Studies-Humanities

This week Reid M (from the 1-2 class) was a special guest during a Humanities lesson. He talked about some of the Australian animals which are poisonous. Thank you, Reid for giving the Year 2-3 class some very interesting facts.

Annette Burgstett
Year 2-3 Integrated Studies teacher

Middle Years Sub-School

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Our Middle Years Newsletter has changed! All teachers have begun to communicate with parents regularly via a program called Bloomz rather than updates in the school newsletter.

If you are a Middle Year's parent and have not joined Bloomz, please contact Andrew Cameron or your child's homeroom teacher to ensure we have your email. See Bloomz (www.bloomz.net) for information.

Some general Middle Years information will still appear in the newsletter occasionally.

Middle Years Captains Report

This week we have been doing lots of work on the production, we have had some students come here from Bridgewater primary school to have a look. On Wednesday we had a reporter come from the Bendigo advertiser, she spoke to most of the classes. We hope you all have a great weekend.

Oscar and Zoe

Bridgewater PS visit

After being contacted by Bridgewater Primary School, we had their Year 5 and 6 students visit us on Tuesday afternoon. They joined in our Year 5/6 Sport class and were given a short tour of the school by our Middle Years Captains. Bridgewater PS are visiting many schools in the area as part of their exploration of schooling after primary school.

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Toppings available:

Sweet chilli sauce
Sour cream
Guacamole

Full name	Quantity	Toppings	Total cost

F.S.L. Stress balls pre-order forms

Full name		
Size	Quantity	Total cost
Small (50c each)		
Medium ($1 each)		
Large ($1.50 each)		

Size cost. Small= 50 cents Medium= $1.00 Large=$1.50

Senior Sub-School

Senior School Newsletter Thursday 14th of Sep

Subject Selections due yesterday for Year 10/11 students of 2018. Please return these forms as soon as possible to the Office. Late forms jeopardize your chances of subjects selected, thanks.

Access Education lectures change of plans

After returning from camp this week I discovered that the majority of students are making their own way to the lectures with parents or independently. I have altered the details to provide private transport for those students that require it. The logistics of such details have been discussed with the students involved and a private transport permission note has been distributed.

School Production

The motivation and intensity of the production looming has hit home for our Year 12s, or maybe they were just sick of me nagging them about it. Either progress is in the making. Check out these photos of the student rehearsing. It will be a flash back to the 90's.

Bogong Camp Report by Jas C and Rylee G

On the 4th September, the Year 9/10 Outdoor Ed class attended a snow camp at Bogong along with the Year 9 class from Heywood. We left school at recess to arrived at Bogong 6 hours later. We then got settled in and fitted up for cross country skiing the next day.

Day 2: We were lucky enough to wake up to the sight of snow, and got ready for our regular morning meeting to then begin the journey up to Falls Creek. Once we got there we separated into our groups with our Bogong instructors and began our hike to start skiing. After a few hours of learning how to ski we came in for lunch to warm up and then went back out to go on many different routes. We headed back to Bogong at around 4pm and prepared for downhill skiing the next day.

Day 3: It was a different sight the next morning, no snow just rain and hail. We went down to our meeting and got ready to go. We split off into our groups to head up the mountain in chair lifts for our first experience of downhill skiing. For the first half of the day we were just with our Bogong instructors and then after coming in for lunch and warming up we went back out with Falls Creek instructors to show us a few tricks and skills. We headed back to Bogong at around 4pm to just relax and have some fun.

Day 4: Was even more adventurous with more snow, green and blue runs. By the Thursday our skills had improved and we could mostly steer and stop when required. We still had few falls, but definitely the best day of the week. Unfortunately, Jas L injured herself and required some extra medical attention. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Day 5: Was a review and farewell to camp and a long bus ride home. Thanks Mr A and Miss B for taking us, we had a great time with you.

Study Tips: need help?

If any Senior School students would like assistance for preparing for their final year exams please speak directly to subject teachers or myself. I am more than happy to assist students who would like assistance with this.

Headspace visit

I have booked a session with Headspace guest speakers for our Units 3 & 4 VCE students. This will be on Friday 22nd September at 12.15pm– 1.15pm.

Sarah Byrne
Senior Sub School Leader

Wellbeing Report

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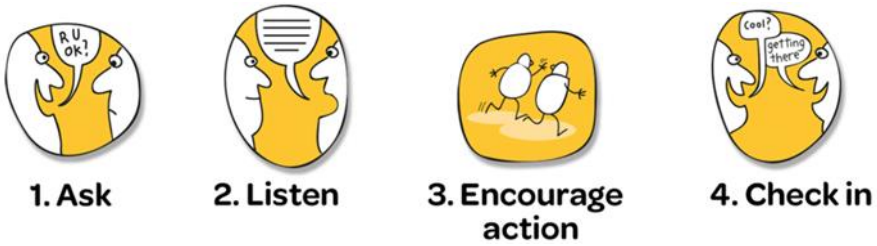
RUOK DAY 14TH September

Got a niggling feeling that someone you know or care about it isn't behaving as they normally would? Perhaps they seem out of sorts? More agitated or withdrawn? Or they're just not themselves. Trust that gut instinct and act on it.

By starting a conversation and commenting on the changes you've noticed, you could help that family member, friend or workmate open up. If they say they are not ok, you can follow our conversation steps to show them they're supported and help them find strategies to better manage the load. If they are ok, that person will know you're someone who cares enough to ask.

More information can be found on the RUOK website www.ruok.org.au



iParent

iParent—where parents can learn about the digital environment and keep updated on their children's technology use.
On iParent, you can find guidance for using safety settings on your family's web-connected devices, tips for choosing movies and games and strategies for keeping young people safe online.
iParent can be found of the Office of eSafety website, https://esafety.gov.au/education-resources/iparent

Parents Association NEWS

COLLEGE PRODUCTION: Next Wednesday 20th September
All the very best to everyone involved – I'm sure it will be fabulous.
PA will be selling cold drinks at both sessions
Please note: If you have any issues or concerns you need help with, please don't hesitate to contact the school. The school can't address the problem if they don't know! Any positive feedback is always welcome and appreciated too.
Communication is the key to solving any issues
The school weekly newsletter and PA Facebook page are great tools for up-coming school event information. If you have any questions, please ask. Chances are that someone else will appreciate reading the posts too. This is so helpful with sharing information.

P.A. Meeting

October 17th at the Serpentine Hall in the morning.
Time to be confirmed
This meeting will coincide with a catering job making 160 lunches
Any help gratefully appreciated

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Kaeler Grigg Secretary 0448 632 780 kaelergrigg@hotmail.com

Canteen News

TERM 3			**OCTOBER**		
SEPTEMBER			Monday 16th	Belinda Clymo	
Friday 15th	Lisa Twigg	Toyah Ketterer	Tuesday 17th	Sue Pickles	
			Wednesday 18th	Bec Cullen	Miranda Smith
Monday18th	Karen Pascoe		Thursday 19th	Sue Pickles	
Tuesday 19th	Sue Pickles		Friday 20th	Kylie Addlem	Natalie Rose
Wednesday 20th	Kylie Addlem				
Thursday 21st	Sue Pickles	Julie Hall	Monday 23rd	Michelle Diss	
Friday 22nd	Kaeler Grigg	Natalie Rose	Tuesday 24th	Sue Pickles	
			Wednesday 25th	Bec Cullen	Miranda Smith
OCTOBER	**Term 4**		Thursday 26th	Sue Pickles	
Monday9th	Judy Mountjouy		Friday 27th	Kylie Addlem	Natalie Rose
Tuesday 10th	Sue Pickles				
Wednesday 11th	Penny Cockerell				
Thursday 12th	Sue Pickles				
Friday 13th	Michelle Balic	Yoli Humphries			

KFC - Kids Friday Club

The children of KFC are invited to participate in performing an item at the College Production on September 20th – singing Not Alone.

Practice for this item will be held in the Multipurpose Room at lunch time on Tuesday September 19th.

Contacts for enquiries: Robyn Falls 0429368242, Judy Mountjoy 0488379222, Leanne Welsh 0447689309

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
18th Year 7 Big Picture Market Day (more details next week)	19th	20th P-12 College Production Matinee 1pm Evening 7pm $5 per person Community BBQ 6pm	21st Year 7 Immunisation AFL's 9's Years 5/6	22nd End of Term 3 Early finish 2.30pm Recycling Program Yrs 5 & 7 Waste Audit Lions Club Social has been cancelled	23rd	24th
9th October **Term 4 begins**	10th	11th	12th Loddon Mallee Athletics	13th Yr 10Keys Please Yr11 Fit2 Drive Yr 12 Look After Your Mates	14th	15th
16th Zone Athletics Primary Yr 7/8 Big Picture Latrobe	17th Yr 6 & 7 Melbourne Arts Centre Excursion P.A. Meeting	18th Walk to School	19th	20th Year 5 /6 German Day	21st	22nd
23rd State Athletics	24th	25th	26th P-12 Athletics Carnival	27th Yea 12's Last Day Yrs 8 & 9 Cows Create Careers Primary State Athletics	28th	29th

Production Night BBQ

The SRC will be running a community BBQ from 6pm on production night. To assist us with catering for this, can you please complete the slip below and return to the College ASAP. Thank you.

Production Night BBQ

Family Name:_____

Number of adults:_____ Number of children:_____