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We value **Respect, Optimism, Learning and Environment.**

STUDENT NEWS – Week beginning Monday August 23rd, 2010

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What's on this week:

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat/Sun
During Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Girls Hockey State Finals – Bus departs from QEO at 7am 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free Breakfast – outside the library 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athletics Knockout at Olympic Park – Bus departs from QEO at 12.30pm (leave for bus after Pathway meeting) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boys Squash State Finals – Bus departs Gym at 7am • Boys Soccer VSSSA Finals – Bus departs from QEO at 7.15am 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Girls Soccer State Finals – Bus departs from QEO at 7.15am • 'So You Think You Can See Whales' – Whale Trip – Bus departs from QEO AT 6am 	
Lunchtime	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cycling Expo with Cycling Victoria – in the Gym • Spicks and Specks + Theatre Sports Semi-Final – Health Services 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Writers' Workshop - plan for MWF • Spicks and Specks + Theatre Sports – Communications vs. Skilled Services – JKH • Prayer Group 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Girls Soccer training in the Gym • 'So You Think You Can Skip' – Group Challenge – GYM • BRIT Bands – 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chess Club in E17 • 'Keep Australia Beautiful' activities with prizes • Sam Clark visit – 	

	vs. Commerce - JKH		meeting – G15	Outside Library	B05	
Afterschool		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • iTrack in the library • Maths Tuition in G13 • Boys Soccer training in the Gym 				

Must Read Information for ALL students

STUDENT FULL DETAILS CHECKS FOR VASS

During Pathway Advisor Meetings last week and this week all students must complete a **FULL DETAILS CHECK**. The purpose of this is to ensure you are correctly enrolled in your VCE/VCAL course and if you are doing a VET course that you are enrolled in the right modules. This is to make sure that you get your VCE/VCAL certificate at the end of the year, if eligible. You will be asked to check that your personal details are correct so that the VCAA can send your results to you in December. If you have not completed this by this Wednesday's Pathway Advisor meeting, you **MUST** see you Advisor to complete this process by the end of the week please.

KEEP AUSTRALIA BEAUTIFUL AND BSSC BEVERAGE RECYCLING PROGRAM

This week is Keep Australia Beautiful Week. BSSC in partnership with the K.A.B. Beverage Recycling Program will be launching our own Beverage Recycling Program with recycling bins being placed around the school. Everyone in Australia will be helping clean up by picking up litter. K.A.B. helps people to be aware of a clean environment to reduce land full. People around the school can be involved by using the bins appropriately and reading the signs around school.

PATHWAY PROGRAM NEWS

Assembly for Pathway Communities:

Skilled Services GYM

Communications JKH

Workshops	Facilitator	Venue
Facebook, Twitter and others	Bronnie Miller/Scott Vaughan	C13
Inspire Me!	Kathryn Hamilton	G15
Read/Write	Sue Johnson	J04
VTAC Application	Mark Zulian	MMC
Study Tips	Kelvin Curnow	J01
Sexual Health	Sue Tarrant and Bendigo Community Health Services	B02
Get that Job	Lorelle Pearse/Helen Martin	LIBRARY (BACK HALF)
How to Bring the WOW to the Context	Julie Willis	Library (Front Half)
How to Get a Better Night's Sleep	Donna Weightman	B01
How to use your Nspire	Karen Crothers	POLICE BARRACKS (TOP HALF)

Student Activities/Leadership

YOUTH AFFAIRS COUNCIL OF VICTORIA'S YOUTH REFERENCE GROUP: Regional not Marginal
"Stand Up and Be Counted!" "Have Your Voice Heard!" "Young People Be Listened to!" Clichés? Maybe. But the Youth Affairs Council of Victoria's Youth Reference Group is working towards making sure that these sayings become meaningful for regional young people.

Thanks to the Youth Affairs Council of Victoria, Youth Reference Group 2010, The Prime Ministers Challenge and the City of Greater Bendigo, the Regional not Marginal Bendigo Youth Political Forum 2010 will offer young people the chance to quiz State politicians on the issues that are most important to them.

The Forum is Free and will be open to young people aged 12-24 and will start at **4pm until 7pm on Wednesday 8 September 2010** at Bendigo Senior Secondary College.

Young People who attend will be treated to a yummy after school afternoon tea to keep their energy levels up for an afternoon of asking hard hitting questions of the highest level decision makers in Victoria! Young People will also have the chance to get the issues that they are most passionate about on the State political agenda.

So how can you get involved? Simply register at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/N86KWWG> or for more information please contact info@yacvic.org.au and start thinking of what issues are most important to you. Not to mention FREE FOOD and SHOWBAGS for all participants! Plus the chance to win a LUCKY DOOR PRIZE! For more information feel free to contact... info@yacvic.com.au

REGIONAL CONSTITUTION CONVENTION

Are you interested in social and political issues? This year BSSC is hosting a regional constitutional convention on "Should Australia have a bill of rights?" Any student who might be interested in taking part or would like further information, should contact Scott Collier in staffroom C2S2 or via the school email. It will be held at the Bendigo Town Hall on 14th September from 10 - 3pm. You do not need to be a humanities student to take part. The day will include guest speakers, a free lunch and discussion with other students from the region.

THE BIGG GIGG 2010 – THURSDAY AUGUST 26TH - LUNCHTIME

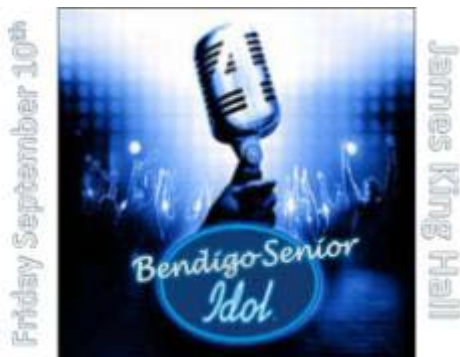
Venue: Exterior Marquee at BSSC Library

Lots of SONGS, 7 Bands

Each band will play:

- 1 Original Song
- 2-3 Cover songs

BSSC IDOL



Have you got what it takes to be Bendigo Senior Secondary College's 2010 Idol? At the end of Mental Health week we will have the great voices from around the school battle for this prestigious title!

Performers will take the James King Hall Stage at Friday Lunchtime on September 10th, Prizes and Medals for the winners!!

For entries and information please contact [Brendan McKerlie](#) (Student Activities Coordinator)

To register you or your group please [click here](#)

SO YOU THINK YOU CAN SEE WHALES – TRIP THIS WEEK!



Reminder to all students attending the Whale Trip this Friday to meet at the QEO at 6am. Ensure you arrive promptly so we can begin our marvellous journey.

Date: This Friday August 27th 2010, 6am-7.30pm

RESCHEDULED: Year 12 Group Photo: Wednesday 8th September

Year 12 students are requested to bring along your smile and go to the Anzac Lawn (the park side of the staff centre) during Advisor time to have the 2010 Year 12 group photo taken. Please ensure to arrive promptly to the area at the end of recess. **Year 12 students - Do not go to your Advisor meeting group room.**



Student Council Matters

If **you** have a question or suggestion which you would like the Student Council to investigate, please email your query to Emma Lewis (Student Council President) at lew0023@bssc.edu.au or Patrick Clark (Vice-President) at cla0101@bssc.edu.au. Additionally, if any student wishes to attend a student council meeting to bring up an issue they are most welcome to. They are held Monday Lunchtimes in G15!

Pathway Community 3 : Communications

COMMUNICATIONS PATHWAY ASSEMBLY – THIS WEDNESDAY

Come and meet your new leaders!
Be entertained and motivated!
Enjoy a full, action-packed assembly!
Make sure that you are on time!
There will be lucky door prizes for three lucky students!

Pathway Community 5 : Maths Science

LA TROBE UNIVERSITY - DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS – BENDIGO CAMPUS

The G. S. Watson Annual Lecture, 2010
"Mathematics – driving innovation for the services economy"

When : Tuesday, 31 August 2010

Time : 4.30pm to 5.30pm

Where : Room EDU239 – Education Lecture Theatre - La Trobe University, Bendigo

Email perkins.karen@bssc.edu.au for further information

Student Pathways/Careers Information

CAREERS

Here's your [Careers News](#) for this week.

Find out more about:

- University of Ballarat REEP Program (alternative entry program).
- Charles Sturt University PREP forms are here now!
- La Trobe SALT (special access) Scheme, find out more now!
- Monash University Special Entry Access Scheme and Scholarships
- Women in Engineering \$5,000 scholarships
- New and cancelled courses 2011
- Deakin University Information Evening
- Scholarships at Deakin
- Australian Catholic University Early Achievers' Program
- Access Melbourne Uni – special entry and access scholarships scheme
- Super Thursdays at NMIT
- Information session for students with a disability (final)
- Wanting to study Commerce at Uni of Melb? Need on campus accommodation? Scholarship!
- Engineering and Mathematical-Sciences Scholarships
- ADFA open day
- Dates for your diary

New and Cancelled Courses Through VTAC

New courses can be accredited after the VTAC Guide is printed. Also, others are cancelled, campuses changed, or prerequisites amended. To check see: www.vtac.edu.au, look under the Search function on the home page of the website. It is also important to check the VTAC Bulletin (available under Publications) as course changes are notified in this bulletin. There are a number of **very important amendments** to the VTAC Guide for 2011 available in the August edition: <http://www.vtac.edu.au/pdf/publications/bulletins/bulletin2-10.pdf> these include prerequisite amendments. You are **strongly advised** to check the amendments published in this bulletin, as well as the new and cancelled courses section of the VTAC website. Such as some **Paramedics/Health Sciences prerequisites are different to those in the VTAC Guide – alterations can be found in the pdf document** **PLEASE CHECK THESE CHANGES!!!**

Open Day dates are available on the [website](#) – make a note to go and see the tertiary institutions you are considering for next year.

Careers staff are available 8:45-4:30pm Monday to Friday (later by appointment) during term. We can be found at the bottom of G Block. To make an appointment to see Mark or Greg, please call in and see us or email zulian.mark@bssc.edu.au or sturges.gregory@bssc.edu.au

Don't forget to check out our web pages: <http://www.bssc.edu.au/public/students/careers/index.shtml>

MIPS

POSITIONS VACANT

Visit our [Jobs Board](#) (casual, part time and full time jobs available on website)

Students who completed the RSA training course in July can collect their Certificates from MIPS in G17

- ➔ The next **Responsible Service of Alcohol Course** is being held on Monday 11th October from 4pm – 8pm here at the College. Cost is \$80. Light supper provided. All interested students to

leave their names in the MIPS office in G17. *NB: You do not have to be 18 to complete this certificate.*

- ➔ There will be a **Safe Food Handling Course** held on Monday 18th October from 4-8pm here at BSSC depending on numbers. Cost is \$80 with a light supper provided. Interested students can sign up in MIPS in G17. This course is useful if you are seeking employment in hospitality.



YOUTH ALLOWANCE

MIPS have some excellent information regarding Youth Allowance on our website. You can access a help sheet about the changes in July to the Parental Income Test and Independent status – these changes mean payments of Youth Allowance have increased but also **more families/students would be eligible to get Youth Allowance for the first time.** Please visit our [MIPS page](#) or come in to G17. You can also go into Centrelink at B Central or call 132490.

Sport News

If you don't have an MVP card they are available in the student coordinators office. Please make contact via email or Mobile - 0419 139 591 if you require any further information.

Our State Finals are almost coming to an end so we wish all teams competing this week good luck.

MONDAY:

Girls Hockey : State Finals @ SNHC – Bus departs from QEO at 7am with Daniel Gibbons

Cycling Expo with Cycling Victoria in the Gym at lunchtime. Register with Vicki Poyser

TUESDAY:

Boys Soccer : Training during SAC/Tutor time in Gym with Barnaby Seviour

WEDNESDAY:

Athletics Knockouts : Olympic Park – Depart QEO at 12.30pm (leave for the QEO after Pathway Advisor Meeting at 11.50am)

THURSDAY:

Boys Squash : State Finals – Bus departs from the BSSC Gym at 7am with Leah Whiffin

Boys Soccer : VSSSA Finals in Melbourne – Bus departs from the QEO at 7.15am

Girls Soccer : Training in the Gym at lunchtime with Josh Parker

FRIDAY:

Girls Soccer : State Finals at MSAC – Bus departs from QEO at 7.15am

Vicki Poyser (Sports Coordinator) *Live Your Dream* email contact poyser.vicki@bssc.edu.au

BASKETBALL REFEREE TRAINING COURSE FOR BEGINNERS

When: Wednesday 25th August and Thursday 26th August, 5-7pm both nights

Where: Referees room at the Bendigo Stadium (across from court three)

Cost: \$25.00 for course

Once the course has been completed, you will be able to referee basketball games, getting paid to do so!

For further information, please contact Paul Harrower (0458 599 528) or Tayla Flint (0408 354 941).

Student Wellbeing

BSSC CELEBRATES MENTAL HEALTH WEEK: MONDAY SEPT 6th – FRIDAY SEPT 10th!



A great deal of planning and preparation is going into Mental Health Week activities! Fun activities will be run throughout the week. A number of external agencies will visit the school during that week to provide information to students. These agencies include: Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service; Central Victoria General Practice Network: Better Outcomes in Mental Health Care; St Luke's Family Care; Bendigo Community Health Services; Country Awareness Network; Youth Substance Abuse Services, and Alateen.

Monday 6th September: BBQ and stage band, community agencies visiting
Tuesday 7th September: Student Council will be running colourful activities representing sexual diversity including egg and spoon race, jelly eating contest, sack race and 3 legged race.
Wednesday 8th September: Spicks and specks/theatre sports. Possible staff/student netball match.
Thursday 9th September: Dunking machine, wheelbarrow race, fairy floss.
Friday 10th September: BSSC idol

FREE BREAKFAST – CHANGE OF LOCATION
The breakfast van has moved from Rosalind Park to just outside the library. You will be able to enjoy a free breakfast away from the bats. Particular

thanks must go to our Student Councillors who have helped serve over the past weeks. **Any other student who would like to help out can contact a member of the Wellbeing Team.**

WHEN: Tuesday mornings

TIME: Breakfast will be served from 8am onwards

WHERE: Outside the library

WHAT'S AVAILABLE: Raisin toast, muesli bars, fruit juice, coffee, Milo, fruit.

ALATEEN AWARENESS MONTH

When a young person has lived with alcoholism that has been undetected for a long period of time, they can become isolated. They are living in a stressful situation with a cross current of strong emotion, unpredictable behaviour and unstable reactions and their needs are often not met. Often a young person living in this situation feels they need to protect one parent from another, may be caught in the cross fire of arguments and feel that they have a divided loyalty.

Out of this, it is easy for a young person to lose trust in adult wisdom. Communication breaks down and asking for parental advice can lead to a feeling of confusion. Thus a young person tends to keep things to themselves. Other areas of life can begin to suffer-school can drop off as can interest in worthwhile activities and relationships. Behaviour can change and attention seeking behaviour becomes normal. Sometimes school becomes too difficult to face and a young person may refuse to go altogether. There can be a loss of self esteem and a young person can withdraw from society leading to complete isolation.

Alateen can help to liberate a young person from isolation. It provides a full program for the development of individual freedom and mature attitudes which the member may draw on as they wish in order to rebuild their own lives and to establish relationships with others. Alateen is available to all young

people in Bendigo who live with someone else's drinking problem, and are affected. It is held in the Doxa School 118 Hargreaves Street every Monday night at 6.30pm except school holidays.

If you would like to know more about Alateen please phone 96 423 331 or visit www.al-anon.alateen.org/australia

Or contact the BSSC wellbeing team on 54431222 or email counsellor@bssc.edu.au or nurse@bssc.edu.au or email weightman.donna@bssc.edu.au

General Information

OUR BSSC GLOBAL COMMUNITY – SUPPORTING INTERNATIONAL MINDEDNESS AT BSSC

STUDENT PROFILE ~ Introducing.....

Name: Si Li Ke

Country of Origin: I come from Fu Tian, China. I'm the single child at home. You may think I'm lonely, but I think I can enjoy life by myself without worry.

Year Level at BSSC: 11

What I enjoy about Australia: I enjoy the freedom here. There are many things I can do at the weekend, such as playing games with friends, going to Melbourne and so on.

What I miss about home: I miss my family and friends in China very much. I get homesick because all of my classmates have graduated. I want to have a big party with them.

What would I be doing if I was back in China: I would choose to go to University and study hard. I think I can get a good job when I graduate one day.

What is different about life in Australia: There isn't too much homework. We have many choices to do what we like and enjoy life.

Will I return to Australia in the future: I'm not sure about that because I have a long way to go. If I get a permanent job, I will stay here.

Repeat Notices

SPICKS AND SPECKS + THEATRE SPORTS CHALLENGE



Semi-Final 1 of the Spicks and Specks + Theatre Sports Community Challenge is next week, the two communities competing for the winning title is **Health Services** vs. **Commerce**. **Next Monday August 23rd in the James King Hall.**

Round 3 of the Spicks and Specks + Theatre Sports Community Challenge is next week, the two communities competing for the winning title is **7: Skilled Services vs. 2: Communications**. **Next Wednesday August 25th in the James King Hall** please come along and support your community, or your neighbouring community!

Round 1: **Winners - Health Services**

Round 2: **Winners - Commerce**

Semi-Final 1: Monday August 23rd – **Health Services** vs. **Commerce**

Round 3: **August 25th - 7: Skilled Services vs. 2: Communications**

Round 4: **September 2nd– 5: Math Sciences vs. 6: Recreation and Environment**

Semi-Final 2: September 8th - Round 3 vs. Round 4

Finals: September 15th- Semi-Final 1 vs. Semi-Final 2

Finals Winners Prizes: McDonald's Family Dinner Box, 3 x Express Makeover vouchers from the Body Shop.

UPCOMING 'SO YOU THINK YOU CAN' CHALLENGES:



'So You Think You Can Skip' (Group Skip Challenge) – This Thursday August 26th – Gymnasium
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uJAWLfdkapQ>
Students are encouraged to get a small group together for a skipping challenge, refer to Youtube link above for more ideas. **Students vs. Staff.** Contact [Brendan McKerlie](#) with your team name and music.

KOORIE COMMUNITY JOB FAIRS

The 2010 Koori Community Job Fairs will be held in various locations around the State from August 24th onwards, unfortunately no fair will be held in Bendigo. The Job Fairs will provide students with access to career pathways and a wide range of educational and employment opportunities. Please see Jane Warne in the Coordinators Office if you are interested in more information.

SAM CLARK (RINGO FROM NEIGHBOURS) TO VISIT BSSC



Following on from his involvement with the Australian Red Cross Blood Services 'Radio Star' competition, Blood Service Ambassador Sam Clark has announced a 5 week school tour that will incorporate up to 50 high schools down the East Coast, to discuss the importance of giving blood with students. The tour also coincides with the physical and digital release of his single *'Devastated'*, which featured on 'Neighbours' as the catalyst for Donna and Ringo's reconciliation and engagement on the show recently.

Sam will be visiting BSSC on Friday 27th August and will be in B05 during lunchtime. Interested students are encouraged to come along to hear Sam share his success story – which he links to the importance of staying in school to complete your secondary education.

If you have any constructive feedback on the format of the Student News, please contact me or Jan in the Student Coordinator's office.

Regards, Linda & Jan

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