



EAST LODDON P~ 12 COLLEGE

PARENT NEWSLETTER

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Newsletter No: 9

Date: 30th March 2017

Dates for Your Diary

MARCH

31st Deb Ball

**End of Term 1 Early
Finish 2.30pm**

APRIL

**18th Term 2
starts**

**19th Parent
Teacher Student
Interviews**

**24th Sandhurst Di-
vision Cross Coun-
try**

**26th State Swim-
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From the Principal

Debutante Ball

As you would know, the East Loddon P-12 College Debutante Ball will be held tomorrow evening and after attending last night's final rehearsal, I can certainly guarantee that a great night lays ahead of us. Our fine young ladies and gents have put in a great deal of effort throughout their training sessions and danced up a storm last night in readiness for the main event tomorrow.

Hope to see you there tomorrow!

College Cross Country

Although this is written before the running of today's cross country, I am sure that I will be accurate in saying that it was wonderful again to see the high level of participation from all involved in today's event. Those who attended today, would have noticed some slight changes to the courses that our students run and would have also noted the many staff who this year took part in the race.

The most impressive thing in the lead-up to today's race, has been the huge level of effort and positive attitude shown in training sessions by our students. Many students have excelled in their km's ran in recent weeks and it has been tremendous to see the huge level of staff encouragement and support for all classes. Mr Young has run each course several times with classes of all ages and has certainly been instrumental in getting our students excited about the day.

Anzac Day Badges

Our local Mitiamo RSL Sub-branch, who have been great supporters of the College, have once again asked the College to assist in selling Anzac Day badges and wrist bands this year. We currently have items available for sale at the cost of \$2, \$3, \$4, \$5 and \$10, and would urge anyone planning on buying an Anzac badge this year, to do so through the College. We realise that this may be difficult with holidays taking up the next two weeks, but we will endeavour to have badges for sale at today's cross-country, tomorrow's Debutante Ball and also during the first week of next term.

Elizabeth Fensham Visit

Staff and students of the College thoroughly enjoyed our visit from renowned children's author Elizabeth Fensham last Friday. Elizabeth met with many classes throughout the afternoon and also enjoyed a 'working lunch' with senior English staff and year 12 students. Elizabeth was absolutely glowing in her appraisal of the College, its staff and students and spoke very favourably of the many wonderful things that the College offers our students.

With the wealth of knowledge and experience that Elizabeth was able to share with our students, we certainly believe that they are aware of the hard-work and commitment that is required in gaining their best possible result at the end of their schooling.



Possible Youth Mental Health First Aid Course

In 2016, the College was fortunate enough to be able to host a Youth Mental Health First Aid Course, which was well attended by the College community and spoken very highly of by participants. Once again this year, the College has the chance to host a course with Mr Greg Currie once again presenting. The intended course is tentatively planned for Thursday 27th and Friday 28th of July, with approx. 6 hours of course tuition on both days. The target audience for this course is parents, community leaders and sporting club leaders, as well as education staff. We are currently looking for expressions of interest in this course and would like these expressions asap. Please make contact with the College Office to express an interest, or alternatively email myself during the holiday period at leed.steven.a@edumail.vic.gov.au

For further information on this course please take a look at the following link - <https://mhfa.com.au/courses/public/types/youth>

Tremendous Community Efforts

We at the College are so very proud of the supportive community in which we teach in! Over the weekend, this was once again highlighted with the outstanding efforts of the many community members who participated in the Relay for Life walk in Bendigo, as well as the Community Op-Shop event held at the College on Sunday. Along with the wonderful support of our Parent Association in collecting generous donations of food and drink items for tomorrow's Deb Ball, there are so many wonderful/supportive/generous/selfless members of our wider College community that make our community great. Thankyou to you all!

I hope that all of our College families are able to have a great holiday break, along with a wonderful Easter!

Steven Leed
College Principal

Deb Ball News.

Well it has finally arrived. omorrow Friday is our Bi-annual Deb Ball. Over eight weeks of jam-packed nights of dancing our 19 Debutantes and their partners have finally made it to the BIG NIGHT! At the final training last night they showed us what they are capable of doing, they were fantastic. I hope that hasn't put the mozz on them.

I would like to thank the following people for all their hard work over this period of time and for their contribution on the night. Mr & Mrs Leed, Mr Wilkinson and Ms Byrne as compares, Mrs Sarah Clare as Chaperone, Jenny Cutting, Brenda Drury, Sarah Pilkington and Sandy Lister for the un- inevitable job of manning the door.

I would also like to take this time to publicly say a big thank you once again to Richard and Jacinta Hicks who freely give their time to train the Debs - this is a huge job, which they do so well. This year they have been ably assisted by Jim and Claire Hercus and Rod and Linda McKinnon.

I wish all the Debs and their Partner well for tomorrow night, I hope that they have a wonderful night tomorrow night and that they enjoy themselves immensely – this is a great time in their lives.

The trainers would like to remind all Deb, Partner and their parents that the Debs and Partners will be expected to stay till the end of the night , at the conclusion of the night everyone will be asked to stay and dismantle the stage and help pack up in general.

Sue Cail
Deb Co-ordinator.



Assistant Principal's Report

Assistant Principals News

Good luck to all of the debutantes tomorrow evening and to their partners. I hate dancing as a rule, but I love the Deb, its good to see all of the community getting together to support our kids as they enter 'Grownupville'. I went to the final practice last night and all of the students did a great job with their dancing. Also tripping the light fantastic was Mr Leed. You wouldn't think a bloke that big could dance, but whoah if you're after some tips, watch him tomorrow night. I hope to see you all there.

Parent Teacher Student Interviews will be held on the first Wednesday 19th April of next term. Scheduled times for interviews have been sent home with interim reports. If you need to change these times, please contact the Office and we will assist. Interviews will be with your main class teacher/teachers. If you require further interviews, please note that or ring the Office and we will arrange this. Where interviews with all staff can not be arranged we will organise phone or email contact. **There may have been gaps on your interim reports if you have Mr Judd for Maths or Digital technologies.** If you require an update of how your student is going in Genreal Maths, please contact myself. If your student is in Year 9 maths please contact Mr Leed, if your student is in the Year 9/10 elective called digital technologies, please contact Mr Clayton.

Our ANZAC day assembly will this year be held during period 6 on Monday the 24th of April. All community members are encouraged to attend this event. This year Mrs Therese Phillips will be our guest speaker. Please be seated in the gymnasium by 2:30 pm. ANZAC badges are for sale at the Office and by the Year 6 group in the lead up to ANZAC day. It would be great if you are intending to buy a badge, if you could buy these from the school as the raised money then stays with our local RSL sub branch. Remember how generous they were in donating money to us to support the purchase of our performing arts stage. We love them and should thank them for all of the work that they do for the community!

See you next term

Scott Wilkinson
Assistant Principal

P-4 Update

Building Strong Foundations



P - 4 Sub-School

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Prep Zali for the effort she puts into her learning, she is always focussed on her work.

Year 1 Noah for always doing his best.

Year 2 Piper for using lots of describing words throughout her story.

Logan for his effort.

Year 3 Logan for working hard all week.

Year 4 Shyann for great work in Literacy.



You Can Do It!

Prep—Jessica

Year 1—Teagen

Year 2—Harrison

Year 3—Tori

Year 4—Marissa



Reading Clubs – At our last assembly we recognised the following students for achieving 50 Nights.

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| 50 Nights of Reading | <p>Y4 -Molly, Mia, Kathleen, Marley, Ava, Joseph and Lachlan</p> <p>Y3- Tori, Keira, Tristyn, Oliver and Emily</p> <p>Y2-Ella, Emma, Miles, Kiara, Paige, Kyen, Allira and Alex</p> <p>Y1-Ruby C., Ruby O. and Paige</p> <p>Prep- Oliver, Zali and Logan</p> |
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Prep Letter in Focus

Prep Words To Fluency

Literacy Hints

It is important that we keep reading happening during the holidays to maintain momentum and send a message that reading is an ‘every day’ activity. Sit outside with a book and enjoy the Autumn sun while reading or visit the Bendigo Library to share some picture story books, or just explore what the Library has to offer. There are also lots of children’s’ stories available on the Internet which you can share together.

Encourage your child to write a letter to someone special or just write for fun.

Eye check up

The holidays provide families with an opportunity to organise appointments with the Optometrist for a vision check. If your child has not had a vision check in the last two years (with an Optometrist) please consider making an appointment. My advice is to get in quickly before all the holiday appointment times are taken up.

Peter Vernon
P-4 Co-ordinator

Year 12 and Prep Easter Egg Hunt



The Preps would like to say a **big thank you** to their Year 12 Buddies.

On Tuesday the Year 12s took the Preps on an Easter Egg Hunt. They attached themselves to their buddies by the wrists and between them they had to find 10 eggs. They looked high and low. Once they found 10 they had to count them out to Mrs Lister, then the hardest task was to halve (share) them with their big buddies. The first Prep to find her eggs and show Mrs Lister was Lucy, who received an extra prize. All students enjoyed a lovely decorated cupcake as well. What a fantastic initiative by the older students that has provided a lasting memory for our Prep students. How wonderful to be part of a Prep to Year 12 College.

Sandy Lister and The Preps

Middle Years Captains report

This week we have finalised the survey results, we have been doing lots of cross country practise and we hope every-one participates to the best of their ability. We hope you all have a great holiday. Zoe and Oscar

Year 7 English

We have been working on writing interesting sentences in our narratives to engage our audience:

The engine coughed out the smell of gas. The air that surrounded the plane transformed into a cloud of chemical grey. As I drifted the plane's steering wheel towards me, a tsunami of worry flooded my head; everything that could go wrong played in my head on a loop. – By Molly M.

"Miley is staring at you," Julie warned me. Even her stares are cold hearted. She walked up to me with her army of friends... - By Lily H-G.

I can hear the marching footsteps and the roar of the guns, and for the first time in years I was scared. – By Adam P.

"I'm not leaving you!" Dew hissed, grasping Dream's talons and shaking her head frantically. Dream mumbled something then walked over to the strange dragons who had threatened to kill her moments earlier. "Sorry," Dream mumbled, and with a click of his claws, Dew fell to the barren earth. – By Rory C.

Bang! I looked up to see a small avalanche of rocks coming down towards us. I was about to say something to my parents, but I was too late. – By Brodie W.

Around the Middle Years

Year 5 students doing Ken-Ken's in Maths



Year 7 scale models from VCD



Inaugural Maths Pathway Champion Class

The Year 6 -10 Maths Pathway teachers are pleased to introduce the inaugural Maths Pathway Champion Class competition. The title of Maths Pathway Champion Class will be awarded to the class with the highest average growth rate for the term, and the first honours go to the **Year 6 class**, with an average growth rate of **105%** over the whole term. They were well ahead of the second place, the Year 8 class, who had an average growth rate of 93%. The Year 6 class will be presented with the MP Champion Class Cup in recognition of this fantastic achievement!

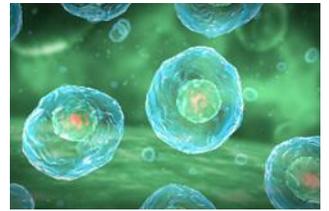
ment!

Performing Arts

Our Year 5 and Year 6 classes have now finished their class film clips and recorded the audio for their song writing tasks. I was very impressed to see so many students volunteering to step out of their comfort zones to record their best singing voices, either for a solo, small group or class section. We can't wait to share these with you. Miss Harrington

Year 8 Science

Our Year 8 class have just completed their unit on cells with an exploration of stem cell research to highlight that science isn't just about discovering new things, but also involves ethical judgements and decisions about what we should do, not just what we can do. I hope this has provoked interesting discussions at home. Mr Cameron



Year 7 Science

This week we started working on our new topic 'Separating Substances'. The students have been busy learning about types of mixtures and tomorrow they will finish the term with a milo experiment and discuss what happens when milo is added to milk. Feel free to ask them about it and what they have been learning. Miss Harrington

Year 7 Maths

The Year 7 class has made a great start in Mathematics this term. They have investigated different topics such as prime numbers, square numbers, area and perimeter, and worked on their general problem-solving skills. They have also had a continuing focus on Maths Pathways and there have been some great achievements this term that are worth celebrating. The whole class has been working well and achieved a class growth rate of more than 100% after the last test, which is fantastic.

I'd like to congratulate **Trista, Levi, Alicia, Molly, Brodie** and **Colby** who achieved the highest growth rate in the class after different tests. **Alicia** and **Colby** also reached a new achievement level this term, which was exciting!

Year 8 English

Students are reminded that they have spelling words to practice over the holidays. Can you all please ensure that you do this. Parents are encouraged to support your child in this area.

Mr Andrew Cameron
Middle Years Co-ordinator

Senior School News

Deakin University is offering tours during your school holidays: During Term 1 and 3 school holidays you are invited to **Deakin Step on Campus**. You will be taken on a 45-minute tour of your chosen campus by a current Deakin student. You can find out more about university life, study areas and what it's really like to be a student at Deakin! Event details...

Where: Geelong, Melbourne, Warrnambool

When: Every Monday and Thursday of Term 1 and 3 school holidays

Term 1: 3, 6, 10 and 13 April

Term 3: 26, 28 September, 3 & 5 October

Time: 10am, 12pm & 3pm

Register your interest by clicking on this link <http://www.deakin.edu.au/about-deakin/events/step-on-campus>

I highly recommend this event to those that are interested in studying at Deakin next year, especially to those who haven't attended a Deakin Open Day in the past.

Deakin Open Day Dates for 2017 – Sun 6 August (Warrnambool); Sun 20 August (Geelong); Sun 27 August (Melbourne)

Term 3: 26, 28 September, 3 and 5 October

Time: 10am, 12pm and 3pm

Student Survey request

Devan L is studying a School Based Apprenticeship in Information Technology and Game Development. He would like students in the senior school to complete a survey.

www.surveymonkey.com/r/MYCK23T

Please see Devan directly if you have any questions regarding the survey.

Senior School holiday classes

Individual Year 12 teachers will liaise with students regarding whether they are conducting classes during the non-instructional study period (school holidays). If parents have any queries please contact the College.

Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews

I look forward to catching up with parents, guardians and students at the interviews on Wednesday 19th of April.

Thank you for your time, I'm looking forward to seeing students tomorrow at the Deb Ball dressed in their formal attire or ball gowns. Enjoy the easter eggs and hot cross buns to healthy levels. Wishing you a safe and Happy Easter. Special mention to my Year 12 HHD class and Year 11 PE class who have been working hard this term (especially in the last month) to complete two of their three SACs (School Assessed Coursework) for this semester, well done!

Sarah Byrne

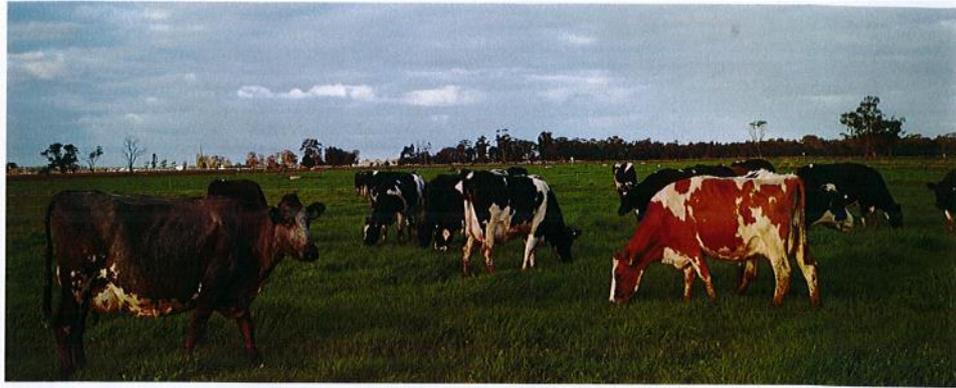
Senior Sub-School Leader

Year 10 English

Students are reminded that they have to read (hopefully re-read) 'To Kill a Mockingbird' during these coming holidays. We will be completing our analytical SAC during the first week back and need to be all set to begin our creative piece. Good luck and if you have any queries, please Edmodo me over the holidays. Parents are encouraged to support their child in this.

Thanks

Hayley Lethlean



Dairy Support

“When times are tough it's ok to ask for help”

| 24 Hour Crisis Contacts | | | |
|---|-----------------------|---|--------------|
| Police/ Ambulance / Fire | 000 | Kids Helpline kidshelpline.com.au | 1800 551 800 |
| Beyond Blue beyondblue.org.au | 1300 224 636 | Suicide Helpline suicideline.org.au | 1300 651 251 |
| Lifeline lifeline.org.au/Get-Help | 13 11 14 | Mensline mensline.org.au | 1300 789 978 |
| DirectLine (alcohol & drugs) directline.org.au | 1800 888 236 | Gamblers Help | 1800 858 858 |
| Local Mental Health Support, Counselling & Social Work Services | | | |
| Mental Health Crisis support (24 hour service) | 1300 363 788 | Echuca Regional Health | 5485 5800 |
| Kyabram District Health Service | 5857 0200 | Rochester & Elmore District Health Service | 5484 4465 |
| Medicare funded psychological support | Contact your local GP | Bendigo Community Health Services | 5448 1600 |
| Rural financial Counselling Services Vic. North East | | | 1300 834 775 |
| Australian Government Farmer Assistance Hotline (Centrelink) | | | 13 23 16 |
| https://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/services/centrelink/farm-household-allowance | | | |
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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-sources/iparent>



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Canteen News

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| MARCH | | | MAY | | |
| Friday 31st | Lynda Cartwright | Yoli Humphries | Monday 1st | Judy Mountjoy | |
| | | | Tuesday 2nd | Karen Pascoe | Narelle Maddison |
| TERM 2 APRIL | | | Wednesday 3rd | Sue Pickles | |
| Monday 3rd | Easter Monday | | Thursday 4th | Sue Pickles | |
| Tuesday 18th | Sue Pickles | | Friday 5th | Natalie Rose | Miranda Smith |
| Wednesday 19th | Parent Teacher Stu- | NO LUNCHESES | | | |
| Thursday 20th | Sue Pickles | | Monday 8th | Belinda Clymo | |
| Friday 21st | Leanne Welsh | Kaeler Grigg | Tuesday 9th | Sue Pickles | |
| | | | Wednesday 10th | Bec Cullen | |
| Monday 24th | Michelle Diss | | Thursday 11th | Sue Pickles | |
| Tuesday 25th | ANZAC DAY | | Friday 12th | Toyah Ketterer | Yoli Humphries |
| Wednesday 26th | Sue Pickles | | | | |
| Thursday 27th | Sue Pickles | | | | |
| Friday 28th | Michelle Balic | Kylie Addlem | | | |

Parent's Association

Just a quick reminder to everyone who is sending in food for the Deb Ball. Could you please send it in a sealed container that is clearly labelled with your name. We will endeavour to return the majority of containers back on the Friday to your child.

If you are planning to drop your donation off to the school, please make sure it is done in the morning to the community centre.

If there are any issues please txt or call Hannah Tweed on **0419468660**.

Thanks so much again the support has been overwhelming.

What a great night it will be on Friday!!

Start Snapping, painting, drawing and creating...Lions Annual
Photography, Art & Craft Exhibition

PHOTOFEST

We have expanded our show this year to include not only photo's but anything art or craft as well—painting, drawing, folk art, scrapbooking, metal work, wood work, knitting, crochet items, etc. This is not a competition, but an opportunity for members of the public to showcase their talents.

Friday 7th April 2017

6pm - 9.30pm

At the Lions Den

(old Scout Hall on Pyramid Yarraberb Road)

Adults & Secondary students - \$5

Primary students - Free

(Entry includes supper)

Entries per person will be limited to allow room for everyone to showcase their favourite item. Photos do not need to be framed, but unframed photos should be in protective, plastic sleeves. Photos can be any size from A6 (6x4) to A4 – of any topic, preferably in the Loddon Shire, but not necessary.



Enquiries to Jo Guthrie (Ph 0428 366 220) or Ron Vinnicombe (Ph 5436 6274). There will be a drop off time for entries on Tuesday 4th April between 6-8pm at the Lions Den.

Lions Club - Apple Fundraiser

Lions are selling yummy, local, fresh & organic

PINK LADY APPLES

From Billabong Apples (Synergy Farms)

2kg Bags - \$10 or 12kg Box - \$50

Orders are being taken now with delivery in April when the apples are ready to pick! Pick up date will be advertised on Facebook and the Community News.

Phone 5436 6220 or 0428 366 220 or text your order OR email orders to eastloddonlionsclub@gmail.com

All money raised from the sale of apples will go towards running our school holiday program.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

For the Kids...

During the school holidays the Lions Club is holding 2 activity days for **kids age 3 – 12**.

Monday 3rd April 2017

Craft Activities – There will be a few to choose from on the day.

10am - 12pm at the Calivil Hall

Cost is \$5 per child

Monday 10th April

Easter Themed Morning Tea for kids of all ages! The Easter Bunny may even pay a visit with some surprises for the kids.

From 10am to 12pm at the Calivil Hall Gold Coin Donation for kids to have morning tea

Bookings are essential as spots are limited Bookings via email eastloddonlionsclub@gmail.com or phone/text – 0428 366 220 (Jo)

For the Mum's... (or Dads, Grandmas, Grandpas, Aunts, Uncles...)

Monday 3rd April

The Calivil Coffee Shop will be open as usual from 9am-12pm so why not enjoy a cuppa while the kids take part in the planned activities

Monday 10th April

In conjunction with the Loddon Women's Group, join us for an Easter Celebration...

Easter Morning Tea - including Hot Cross Buns & Easter Eggs!

\$5 per person – includes a free coffee and morning tea! Bookings for catering purposes please - phone/text 0428 366 220



AFL VICTORIA
Holiday PROGRAMS
 9am to 3pm

5-8 YEARS
 Footy Fun Day

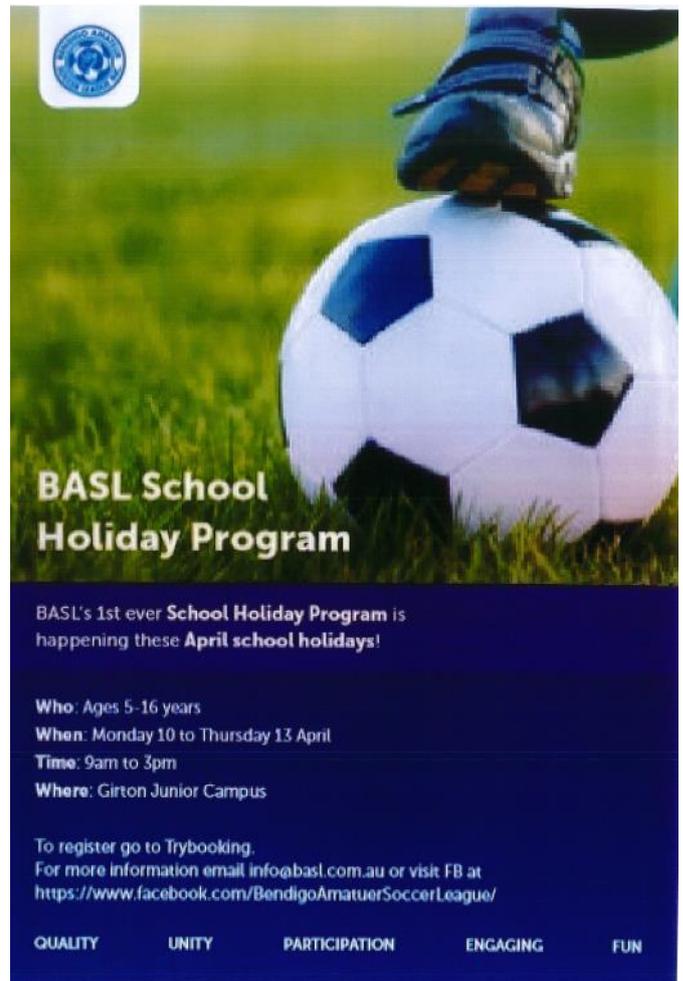
9-12 YEARS
 Skills Battle

Come join us!

SESSION DETAILS
Wednesday 5th April
BENDIGO
 Harry Trott Oval, Neale St, Bendigo
9AM - 3PM
\$65

REGISTER NOW AT
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LIKE US ON FACEBOOK AT FACEBOOK.COM/A_VICHOLIDAYPROGRAMS AND FOLLOW US ON TWITTER AFLVIC_HOLPROG TO KEEP UP TO DATE WITH THE LATEST NEWS, COMPETITIONS AND PHOTOS



BASL School Holiday Program

BASL's 1st ever School Holiday Program is happening these April school holidays!

Who: Ages 5-16 years
When: Monday 10 to Thursday 13 April
Time: 9am to 3pm
Where: Girton Junior Campus

To register go to Trybooking.
 For more information email info@basl.com.au or visit FB at <https://www.facebook.com/BendigoAmateurSoccerLeague/>

QUALITY UNITY PARTICIPATION ENGAGING FUN

Yoga Classes

Some of the benefits of Yoga include;

- Improved muscle tone, flexibility, strength, stamina, balance, posture, immunity & circulation
- Reduced stress, tension and anxiety
- Better quality sleep
- Improved concentration & creativity
- A sense of well being and calm

Wednesday nights
7.30-9pm
Multi-purpose room
at East Loddon College
\$15pp

Starting Wednesday 19th April 2017, running throughout term 2 (if enough numbers it will continue in term 3 & 4).

All ages (13+) and abilities welcome (one does not need to be flexible!)
 Every class ends with an enjoyable guided relaxation.

Wear comfortable stretchy clothes.
 Bring own blanket, water bottle & matt or borrow a matt on the night.

Classes are run by fully qualified yoga teacher Sharon ph. 0427 421 337.



The Eaglehawk Junior Football Club needs players for the following football teams:

- Under 18 Girls
- Under 15 Girls
- Under 12 Girls
- Under 16 Boys
- Under 14 Boys
- Under 12 Boys

For more information please contact Andrew on 0421 696 663 or Steve on 0458 850 900.
 Regards

Gavin Parkes
 Secretary
 Eaglehawk Junior Football Club

