Dear Parents and Friends of the College

Interschool Champions
Congratulations to our primary students who took out both the Junior and Senior Handicap Shields at the recent Interschool Athletics Carnival. Our students strived for their personal best and were rewarded with this great result. Well done to our champion and runner up champions. (Mr Rhind’s report is further in this newsletter). Thanks to Mr Rhind and Mr Swann who worked with the team doing practice in the lead up to this excellent result.

Farewell to Dusty
I would like to thank our college community for supporting each other in these times of tragedy. I have been told that Dusty’s funeral will be on Friday, 9 December at 10 am at Frost Oval, McDonald Avenue, Mount Barker. Robyn, Dusty’s mum is allowing any one who feels they would like to attend to do so. There will be a white theme so those attending are asked to wear white. If students are attending we hope they are able to attend with a parent but if not we may be able to organise attendance as a school excursion. Information will be given to those students who may need it.

Christmas Assembly
Ho! Ho! Ho! It's nearly time for our Christmas Assembly on Friday, 9 December at 1.30pm. Classes have been working hard to get their items ready and it should be a great way to come together with our final assembly.

Yr 6 Graduation and Speech Night
It is with great excitement and honour that we have our final events of the year to recognise and reward students and staff at the final assemblies.
Year 6 Graduation is on Monday, 12 December at 9.45am. Speech Night is on Tuesday, 13 December 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start. Thank you to all the businesses and organisations that support our graduation assemblies as with your support we are able to reward, acknowledge and celebrate the success of our students and college.

PBS Mascots
Thanks to the students who have named our PBS mascots and to the designer, Andy Dolphin for creating them. I’m sure you will see more of Apex, Hope, Slither and Ziggy around the college as we all work to be our best, be responsible, be respectful and be resilient

Andrew Fraser
Principal

Mr Fraser’s very special morning tea to celebrate with 300 Night Home Readers will be on Thursday, December 8th so this is the cut-off date for the home reading count this year. Please encourage your children to read each and every night during these last few weeks and don’t forget to sign off on their books. Thank you to all parents and carers for your support with this program in 2016.

“Children are made readers on the laps of their parents.” Emilie Buchwald

The Mount Barker Community College Webpage is now Live
http://mountbarkercommunitycollege.wa.edu.au/
Please have a look at our new updated page.
We hope you find the page to be very user friendly.
There are many useful links such as “Booklists” “Newsletters” “Parent Handbooks”
**BRONZE READERS (50)**

Bravo to these readers who have achieved the BRONZE award.

Riley Chant

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**SILVER READERS (100)**

Sensational reading to the following students who have achieved the SILVER award.

Rex Spink, Archer Adams, Eryn Molloy, Bevin Versluis, Alexis Miel, Arabella Hill, Danika Hutchenson

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**GOLD READERS (150)**

Good Work to our students who have achieved the GOLD award.

Rowan Clarke, Jared Ballard, Lily Vesey, Suhdah Haidary, Isabelle Macniven, Tyler Dayman, Alexander Wright, Helen Azimi, Jack Rowe

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**PLATINUM READERS (200)**

Praising everyone who has achieved the PLATINUM award.

Jedd Adams, Tyrone Long, Omogen Poett, Harlin Seib, Ellie-May Stables, Millicent Drayton, Marley Greentree, Talon Rutter, Jayden Plug, Saxon Rutter, Codie Scanlan

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**TITANIUM READERS (250)**

Tremendous work to everyone who has achieved the Titanium level!

Koby Parsons, Paiton Seib, Laura Kirke, Nykolyna Kania

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**300 Nights**

Lilah McCorry, Jasmine Hamilton, Samuel western, Riley Dayman, Shelby Versluis, Hannah Hanley, Sine Murphy, Sam Irwin, Brent Irwin, Sophie Macniven, Madison Clouston, Rhiley Hamilton, Macey Seaman, Sarah Morrow, Chevy Goldsworthy, Hunter Gee, Maxwell Wright, Ryan Bedford, Bailee Skinner, Ben Clouston, Jasmine Cook, Mason Cousins, Amelia Wright, Meabh Murphy, Kaylah Elliott, Grace Wyland, Kelly Downer, Linkin Preusker-Smith, Paris Wallinger, Ebony Wallinger, Laura Macniven, Rebecca Graham, Lexie Mark
Primary Interschool Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to all the students who participated in the annual athletics carnival at the North Road Athletics Track on Tuesday 22nd and Thursday 24th November. On Friday 25th, the whole team (including the reserves who often went to training but missed out on travelling with the team) will be having a sausage sizzle as a way of celebrating their achievements on the day. The senior team won the Handicap Shield and, for the first time, the junior team won the Handicap Shield for their carnival. The senior team were ably represented in the championships by Ivy Parsons (Runner up Year 6 Girl), Cambal Macmahon (Runner up Year 6 Boy) and Fred Opuni (Champion Year 6 Boy) and Jarrod Pearce (Champion Year 5 Boy).

Thanks need to go to all the staff (including Mr Cheeseman) who helped train the students at the college and gave them the skills and confidence to compete in either teams or as individuals. Special thanks to Mrs Peta Irwin, Mrs Tammy Wiehl, Mr Darren Sloper and Mrs Sue Large who helped by officiating at the carnivals. Without the help of parent volunteers, these events cannot run. Thanks to Mrs Hick, Mrs Wallinger, Mrs Smith, Mrs Macmahon and Mr Swann who managed the students on the two days.

Thanks needs to go to Mrs Tracey Menegola from Flinders Park Primary who put the carnival together and made sure the students could do their best for their school. Next year’s Interschool Athletics are being hosted by Denmark Primary.

J Rhind
Phys Ed

"Stop and smell the garlic! That's all you have to do." - William Shatner

RDA 2016

All our riders have progressed superbly through the year and can be very proud of their achievements. As a group we have enjoyed continued fun and companionship in the equine environment. Our fabulous horses have behaved and delivered as always thanks to our hard working Equine Committee. Our wonderful volunteers including school volunteers have turned out weekly with smiles and dedication and we thank you sincerely for your support and continuity, without you we would cease to operate.

In November the Community College, Cranbrook, Kendenup Riders, EA’s, supporters, coaches and our wonderful volunteers come together for the end of year wind up. Sharing games, laughter companionship and a tasty BBQ.

Should any further information be required about NDIS changes please feel free to contact our committee at any time.

Thank you and stay safe and well until next season. Plantagenet RDA.

Down on the Farm

Exciting news down at the college farm. Mr Rowles has planted and harvested garlic with the students. The garlic is currently drying in the shed roof and Mr Rowles hopes to sell to the public early in 2017.
CBH Year 1 Stationery Packs

CBH is excited to announce that our college has been successful in receiving stationery packs for year one students in 2017.

The CBH Group is able to offer these packs to year one students at grain growing schools due to the generosity of their stationery supplier Quick Corporate.

The college will assist in distributing these packs to the year one students. The items in this pack should be received by your child on their first day of school and will remain the property of the individual child.

All year one students at your school will be receiving a pack with the same items, thus you may wish to put your child’s name on their new supplies.

CBH would love to see photos of your child with their new stationery supplies on their first day of year one!

Please send images to amie.bolton@cbh.com.au stating that you authorise us to share your image.

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The Department has been creating an online application process for individuals to apply for KidSport. Hard copies will still be available, but from 14 November 2016, parents and guardians will be able to use the online form if they hold a valid Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card.

KidSport enables eligible Western Australian children aged 5-18 years to participate in community sport and recreation by offering them financial assistance towards club fees. The fees go directly from the local government to the registered KidSport clubs participating in the project.

Relationships Australia - Western Australia

Relationships Australia run courses in Albany. The link attached will take you to courses being run for the remainder of this year.


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Students! ~ Opportunity to be a Swimming Instructor

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Albany Town Library

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It’s Story Time

@ your library

10.30am Wednesday & Friday

Join us for clapping, wigging and giggling!

A wonderful opportunity to share rhymes, stories and games with your toddler.

Each session will last around 20 minutes. You don’t need to book and everything is free. If you’d like to have a chat and find out more, give us a ring at the library on 9841 9390 or just come along.

Mums & Dads enjoy rhymes and songs with your baby
**College Calendar 2016**

**Term 4**

**14/11-18/11**  
Yr 11 Exam Week  
30/11 Wed  
2017 Kindy Parent's Mtg 9am KP4  
2017 PP Parent's Meeting 10.15am KP4  
Volunteer Afternoon Tea 2pm  
AIEO Homework Class 2.30-4pm

1/12 Thurs  
Yr 6 to Yr 7 Transition Day  
2017 Year 1 Parent Mtg 1-2pm E6  
Pool Party – YouthCARE 6:15pm-8pm

2/12 Fri  
Senior Assembly 11.30am  
AIEO Homework Class 3.10-4.15pm

5/12 Mon  
AIEO Homework Class 3.10-4.15pm  
College Board Mtg 3.45pm

6/12 Tue  
2017 Year 1 Parent’s Meeting 1pm  
AIEO Homework Class 2.30-4pm

7/12 Wed  
AIEO Homework Class 9.30am KP4  
Rotary Senior’s Lunch  
8/12 Thurs  
K-6 Christmas Assembly 1.30pm

Rec Centre

12/12-14/12  
Follow the Dream ~ Leadership Camp

12/12 Mon  
Yr 6 Graduation Assembly 9.45am

Rec Centre  
AIEO Homework Class 3.10-4.15pm  
Yr 6 Dinner/Dance 6pm Frost

13/12 Tues  
7-12 Speech Night 7pm for 7.30pm

start Rec Centre

14/12 Wed  
7-10 Picnic Day  
M5/M6 Denmark Thrills  
AIEO Homework Class 2.30-4pm  
Farm Advisory Mtg 7.30pm

15/12 Thurs  
Last Day for Students

16/12 Fri  
Teachers School Development Day  
2017 Term 1

1/2 Wed  
Students return for Term 1, 2017

Please be aware that dates can change for events and will be updated each newsletter  
P & C meets on the 4th Wednesday of each month during term  
KP P&C Sub Committee meets 2nd Tues of each term

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Do You Have Other Plans for 2017? Moving?  
Thank you to all parents who sent in their class requests for 2017. We are now looking at next year and it would assist us greatly in our planning for 2017 if you notified us of any changes you know will be occurring. If you are leaving our college community for some reason, please make us aware of your plans so we can ensure we have the best structure in place for 2017. We will be sad to see you go but we would very much appreciate your candour. Thanks for your support.