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achieving their heart’s desire
It’s hard to believe we are in Week 3 already – much information has been sent out via the app already. Apart from the usual updates, in this publication of Echo and in every one thereafter, we will be profiling four different staff members. By knowing more about each other, our aim is that it will bring our JS community closer together. Once all the teachers have shared something of themselves, we will be looking for parents to do the same. It is surprising how closely we all work together, but how little we actually know about each other. We do hope this initiative will help us get to know each other even more.

News

Entrepreneurship at the JS
"Who wants to be an entrepreneur" is coming to the junior school. This competition, open to Year 3 and 4 students, will require pairs or small groups of students in their chosen groups to come up with an original business concept. An information session will commence in Week 4 where students are encouraged to come along at lunchtime to brainstorm and develop Ballarat’s next success story! Prizes will be awarded to the best business concept for each year level.

From Visual Arts and Vicki Gerardi
Ballarat Clarendon College has been invited by the Art Gallery of Ballarat to participate in the FACES Young People’s Portrait Prize. The Archibald prize will be touring from the Art Gallery of NSW and Ballarat is the only Victorian venue, from October 2 to November the 15. The city is expecting more than 45,000 visitors to see this wonderful exhibition.

The Gallery wants local students to not only learn about Australia’s most popular art prize, but also to participate in it through an exciting education programme.

Junior school students are invited to create a portrait, selecting someone they admire to portray, and include a written paragraph about why they chose that subject. All entries will be displayed in shop fronts and businesses in the Ballarat CBD and a walking map will be produced so that schools, groups and visitors can follow the display of portraits right to the Art Gallery door.

It is truly a wonderful opportunity for our students to be a part of the celebration of the Archibald prize in the Ballarat community. There will be a panel of judges, awarding students in 3 categories art vouchers and Gallery membership.

Mrs Anderson, Ms Rees, Ms Sanders and myself would love to see as many children enter the FACES portrait prize. We will provide art supplies and time (after school, lunchtime or in class) so that students can produce a portrait of someone they admire. The students will be offered guidance in what media to choose and what technique best suits them and their subject. Entry numbers will collated this week and the final portraits are due for submission by the end of Term 3. Let’s get creative!

Upcoming Events
Principal’s Briefing, Wednesday 29 July at 6.30pm in Watson Hall → re building developments at the Junior School and more.

Chris Brown & Steven Belcher
Co-Heads of Junior School

Staff Profiles

Steven Belcher
It’s fascinating to reflect on the influential people and moments in your life that helped make you the person you are today.

I loved my teachers at my school in Melbourne (well most of them), but it was my Year 7 horn teacher who really awakened in me my passion for music and later my passion for teaching. I must look Eric Bramble up. Everyone seemed so old back then – I remember telling Mr Bramble on his 38th birthday that I thought he was 55. Now I consider 38 is just a spring chicken.

My dad was one for dreaming big and working hard – he and my mum believed my brother and I could do anything we wanted if we put in the effort. I recall the postman delivering the mail that would inform me of my VCE score back in ‘94. He was talking to the neighbour and my mum ran out of the house to tell him to hurry up! When I opened the envelope, I’m not sure who was more excited – my mum or I. It was either law or music / teaching. I chose music / teaching, and to this day I remain thrilled about my decision and the opportunities it has given me. University – teaching in Melbourne and London – traveling the world – living in Ballarat (which was only meant to be 2 years and has now been 12) – marriage – children. And look at where I am today. I’m teaching at what I consider to be the best
Chris Brown
This year has seen me approach my 30th year of teaching and it’s a great time to stop and reflect on my journey. I am one of the three boys and two of us were the first in our family to undertake tertiary education. My dad was a carpenter, my mum an accounts clerk. During high school, I had dreams of becoming a journalist, a doctor or a teacher; I’m proud of the fact that I chose the latter.

As a classroom teacher, I’ve always wanted to do a good job and have the students I’ve taught really value learning and doing their absolute best. In my early teaching years, I quickly came to the conclusion that all children could learn and that it was vital to never ever give up on a child. Over my career, I have taught thousands of children and the advantage of working at BCC for so long has been the fact that it has been possible to see little children evolve into impressive young men and women who truly can ‘choose their hearts desire’ because their education has allowed them to make choices in life.

At BCC, I’ve occupied a number of roles – as a classroom teacher, Head of Junior and Middle Schools, Literacy Coach and now Co-Head of Junior School. In more recent years, I took some time to engage in my own consultancy and complete my M Ed in Teacher Effectiveness Frameworks.

Some might ask why I’ve stayed connected to BCC for so long and my immediate answer would be that I wanted the very best for my own children – I know this is the case for a great many of our staff. There are few schools like ours and it is very hard to leave because few schools put their children first which is our ongoing mantra.

I have a son and a daughter who are ordinary kids but who have achieved extraordinary results because of the quality teaching they received at College and the value that was placed on effort. They now subscribe to the view that in life, effort counts. One became a marine scientist and the other followed a psychology pathway, but such was their passion for learning, they are now both teachers!

At this point in my career, I’m thrilled to be in a Co-Head role and I continue to be excited by the fact that we are working hard to ensure that our Junior School is one of the best in the land across a range of different indicators. In the short term, I’m excited to be involved in the next phase of infrastructure works which will further enhance our Mair St campus and in the longer term I continue to want to be the best I can be by making a positive professional and personal contribution to the lives of the staff and children in our community.

Kristie Cowan
Firstly you should know that I was born in Mt Gambier so I am truly a South Australian by heart. I say ‘castle’ not ‘kassel’ and ‘mall’ not ‘mal’. After finishing Year 12 at Grant High school in a town with a population of 15,000 I moved 450km to the ‘big smoke’ Adelaide to attend university. Whilst studying Physical Education I discovered a love for the outdoors and by the time I completed my teaching degree I had a specialist major in Outdoor Education as well. My first job was taking middle school students on camp for a week at a time, this saw me living in a tent for 35 weeks of the year which I loved! After 5 years of exploring nearly every National Park in South Australia I moved to Ballarat to follow my partner who had started working at Mars. I was fortunate enough to be appointed as the new Yr 6 teacher at BCC back in 1999 by David Shepherd who could keep a very close eye on me as his daughter was in my class.......no pressure!!

Yet back in April of 2013, I nearly lost everything. Out riding my bike, I’d just gone down onto the tri-bars when a truck turned in front of me and hit me head on. I was airlifted to Melbourne with 7 fractured vertebrae, a fractured skull, multiple breaks in my right hand and wrist, torn tendons in my shoulder and broken ribs. After spinal surgery and seven days on my back (although in a neck and back brace for a further 10 weeks) I was up and about again. And whilst I’ll always know I was hit by a truck, not a day goes by where I don’t think how lucky I am – to be able to run, jump, skip, play and see my boys grow up. Life is a gift we take for granted until it is almost taken from us, and often it is only when faced with adversity that we truly appreciate the value of close friends and family.

I’m not sure I believe in fate, but I do believe in creating opportunities, making the most of them, and learning from whatever life throws at you. Whilst we’d like to be able to control every facet of our lives, we can’t, and that’s not a bad thing. It makes our lives exciting, presents us with opportunities for growth and keeps us guessing. How good is life?!
At the end of my first year at Clarendon the Physical Education teacher at the Junior School retired and I took over the running of the PE department for the next 3 years.

Over the next 4 years I had 3 children of my own but still felt drawn to College and taught part time between each of my kids.

In 2008 we moved to Pennsylvania, USA to live with my husband’s work which was the most amazing experience. I volunteered a lot at the Elementary School and Kindergarten that our children attended to fully understand how their educational system worked. After many adventures and wonderful opportunities to explore and visit many parts of the USA, Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean Islands we returned back to Ballarat in 2011.

We were all excited to return not only to family and friends but also to BCC. It’s hard to believe that we have been back for 4 years with all three of our children thriving in Year 3, 5 and 7 at BCC and me back doing what I love – teaching children how to be physically active and healthy.

Paul Stephens
After being born in Melbourne it didn’t take me long to realise that city life wasn’t for me. So at the age of three I packed my bags and headed to the more laid back lifestyle of the country: ferreting, shooting, yabbying, fishing, camping, cooking, sailing and sledging (that’s making wooden sledges and traipsing up to Sledge Hill and ending up in the blackberry bushes.) We’d leave home at sunrise and we knew we had to be home by sunset: that was Monday to Monday just about. Life was simple.

Growing up in a small country town we only seemed to have 2 seasons: footy and cricket. Now it’s netball, netball, netball. In summer you’d ask mum to scrub the grass stains off your whites from the previous season and we’d play cricket then when the pitches were covered with sand, the goal posts went up and the footys came out.

Some of my favourite memories are of camping. It didn’t matter where. In the backyard, touring through the Flinders Ranges or at Lake Fyans at the foot of the Grampians. We’d catch buckets of tadpoles, leave them at the tent door until they all died and smelt disgusting and then went and caught another bucket full. Camping is still in the blood and it’s being transfused into our two girls, Ruby and Ava.

Growing up I wanted to play cricket for Australia and football for Collingwood. My Grandad would ask me every time I saw him, sometimes 3 times a day, when I was going to achieve my dream. It didn’t quite come true, but I still dream and look forward to seeing what might happen. Once I realised my sporting dream was over, I tossed a coin, several times, and weighed up whether to be a clown in a circus, a motor bike policeman or a brick layer. I must’ve turned right instead of left and became a teacher.

You can't stay in a small country town forever, so one day I decided I needed a change – I bought a plane ticket to Thailand as I had decided to go out and discover the big wide world. Nearly 13 months later I arrived back on Mum and Dad’s doorstep after circumnavigating the world: Thailand, India, Nepal, the UK, Scandinavia, Europe, North and South America, Canada, plus a few more. The world is a big place but getting smaller. I’m glad I experienced the world when I did and travel has been a huge part of my life ever since. In 2008 our family packed up again and embarked on setting up a school in Ningbo, China. Now that’s an experience and a story for another day.

I’m a simple lad trying to enjoy the simple, but important things in life: my wife Danni, children, Ava and Ruby, our dogs Leo and Max, friends, wood cutting, old cars, good wine and food...

Surround yourself with good people and see what happens. Make your own luck and... enjoy life!
3YO ELC Programmes
The children in the 3YO programmes have enjoyed returning to Kinder and seeing their educators and friends after the break. The children were all full of stories about their holidays and the exciting things they had done. They all remembered the routines that we have been working on throughout the first semester and continue to be courteous and caring members of our kinder community.
Throughout this term the children will continue to enjoy a range of stories as a whole group and in smaller groups. Many of our themes and craft activities will be linked to the books we enjoy together, as well as a specific topic focus on animals and our pets.

Our Literacy and Numeracy focuses will continue to form part of our daily program. The children will enjoy a range of experiences to help develop their awareness of environmental sounds and a beginning understanding of rhyme, in our Literacy sessions. In Numeracy, we will continue to develop awareness of number and the concept of more and less.

In Week 3, we will begin to invite parents into our room to enjoy spending time with the children whilst they are exploring and playing.

We are excited about the busy term ahead!

4YO ELC Programmes
The children in the ELC are very excited to be back at Kinder to play with their friends and to have fun learning and participating in new experiences.

During this term, each ELC group will explore topics that come from the children’s interests and will complete both individual and shared group discoveries and projects. All groups will continue to focus on the skills of working cooperatively and collaboratively together, broadening their knowledge of the world around them and engaging in reciprocal verbal and non-verbal interactions.

In Literacy the four year old groups will be consolidating their knowledge of the letters and sounds they learnt in Term Two and the children will be using these skills to blend and segment words and non-words. They will also be learning to identify some “tricky” high frequency words and to recognise these words in text. The children will continue to join in the reading of many big books and have the opportunity to share some little books with their families at home.

In Maths, the children will continue to build upon their counting patterns, counting by 1s forwards and backwards. They will explore the numbers that come before and after and use their knowledge of ordinal numbers in different ways. The children will also explore numbers by thinking about different ways that the same number can be made (such as 6 can be 3 and 3 or 4 and 2 or 5 and 1).
The children will also be participating in special events and celebrations including Book Week, Father’s Day and our own Footy Day.

Chris Brown
Head of ELC

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Regional Cross Country at Warrnambool - 12 June 2015
What a beautiful morning for a scenic drive through the Western District. The moon was shining, the fog was low and the chickens still had their heads neatly tucked under their wings.

But by taking in the views, it put us under pressure to get to the start line on time. On pulling into the car park we were greeted by super organised parents, (thanks Karina and Jamie) who had registered all runners and hastily pinned the numbers onto the athletes. A quick dash to the start line counted as the warm up and the 9/10 year old girls were ready to tackle the demanding course. Then we discovered all races had to be delayed by 30 minutes. Now it was a case of staying warm.

All runners were confronted with a 200m climb to start the race and then were continually challenged by hills and a damp track.

The 9/10 year girls, Lily Dwyer 18th, Kate Thomas 19th and Sophia Robinson 32nd found the going tough but all powered to the finish line with the other 58 competitors to be greeted by proud parents. Someone was heard to mutter, "We need to train on some hills."

The 9/10 boys had a slight advantage as they watched the scramble to the top of the hill in the previous race. Fred Valpied 7th, Ben Locke 16th, Joshua Johnston 19th and Teddy Stewart 47th did themselves proud by conquering the course. The strain on the boys’ faces, as they crossed the line, told the story of the day. It was a challenging course.

Fred completed the course and was placed 7th in a field of 54. This means Fred was our first qualifier for the State Championship. Teddy Stewart crossed the line in obvious distress after suffering concussion and a fractured arm several weeks ago.

Our under 11 girls had taken all before them in the lead up to the event. 3km around this hilly, demanding course took its toll. Matilda “Tilly” Pearce won our only medal, collecting a bronze and qualified for the state championships. Abigail Webster finished 25th while Juliette Parlange was 37th across the line out of 52 competitors. (I’m typing this on the bus on the way home: it’s 12.42pm and the sun has just poked its head through the clouds and fog for the first time today.)

Our sole representative in the 11 year boys’ race saw Ty “Tiger” Palmer step up to the line. He looked tiny amongst the throng and didn’t have the support from other runners like in other age groups. In true Tiger spirit Ty 46th battled around the course and was proud to complete the course along with the other 52 runners.

Congratulations to all students who have represented the school through the District, Division and Regional competitions and thank you to the parents who have supported us on our cross country journey and to those who travelled on the bus to Warrnambool or made their own way down the highway to support the students.

Click here for Tilly Pearce photo

State Cross Country – 16 July 2015
Fred Valpied achieved a goal that was set last year... qualify for the State Cross Country Championships in Melbourne. Fred made the trip down to Bundoora, Melbourne to run 3km with another 143 aspiring athletes. On a wet, muddy, slippery track he fought hard as he went up and down, round and round. He “tractor” through the mud and overtook opponents with guile as the chance to overtake on the skinny track had to be timed to perfection. Fred crossed the line in 53rd position but when you look at the times it was less than a minute behind the winner. A wonderful achievement. The 53rd best U 9 & 10 runner in Victoria. Congratulations Fred!

It has been a long road for our entire cross country team in 2015 with the season starting early Term 2 but the training started in Term 1. We have celebrated the wins, and there have been many, the places but we haven’t celebrated the effort of our team and their peers. Many haven’t seen the 500m – 3km our students run before each PE lesson. Nor have they experienced the training sessions at the Sturt St campus where students punished themselves to complete the Ultimate Fitness Challenge – boxing, skipping, exercising, rowing... And then there were the running sessions around the lake where even the ducks and swans had the heads tucked under their wings to protect themselves from the chilling winds, the driving rain and white caps that lashed the blue stone pitchers surrounding the edge of the lake. Keep putting one foot in front of the other.

Click here for State Cross Country photos
Year 3 & 4 Football vs Black Hill PS at the Junior School

What a magnificent day to kick off the Year 3 & 4 Football completion. The sun was shining. The smell of freshly cut grass wafted in the air. The crowd filtered in not really knowing what to expect but hopeful of a win for their respective sides.

The Clarendon game plan was simple. Get the ball. Run. Kick it long and see what happens. The team followed the game plan to a tee. (Maybe Roosy should implement the same game plan so his players remember the plan.)

The game was set up in the first quarter with a spirited attack on the ball, running hard, taking risks and of course following the simple game plan. The AFL Goldfields medallist as best on ground for Clarendon, Mason Young, only knows one way to play the game. If you want the ball go and get it yourself. Mason took a strong pack mark, kicked into our forward line, followed up his own kick burst out of the pack to kick a magnificent point. Lewis Gilbert, who could’ve easily received the Goldfields medal was all over the ground in his role as an on baller kicking two wonderful goals. One he exploded out of the pack and slammed the ball between the 2 big sticks for his first, while his second was typical of how the younger generation kick goals: why use your left foot when you can bend the ball around corners using the outside of your right. The late Tommy Hafey would be proud as he often spruiked you don’t need to kick on your opposite foot as you shouldn’t get yourself into that position. The popular Declan Jones, who was actually drafted from Black Hill PS at the end of last year, was positioned in the goal square and was asked before the game to use his strength and bullock his way around the forward line and kick goals. And that’s exactly what he did. A great team oriented first up game for Clarendon. At the end of the first quarter Clarendon had kicked 3 goals and had played hard, tough team oriented football. Exactly what the coach had asked for. A special mention to Sophia Robinson who trained her way into the starting line up with an impressive training session the Thursday before to play her first game of competitive football. Also Ned Blenkiron who injured himself before the game but stoically took his place at centre half back.

Quarter time scores: Clarendon 3-3-21 vs BHPS 0-1-1

The second quarter saw Clarendon continue on with their hard-nosed approach to the game, in fact they may well have upped the ante. A Black Hill supporter was heard to ask, “What are your players on.” A small smirk appeared on the coach’s face, as he replied... hard work! Players continued to throw their bodies into packs in an endeavour to get the ball, even if it meant pushing their teammates out of the way. Every time it occurred, another smirk appeared on the coach’s face. Liam Broster worked hard in and under the packs and his single mindedness paid off by kicking 2 goals for the quarter. Jonty Faull wanted to make the most of his opportunities as he will miss the next two games pushed himself and covered nearly every blade of the freshly cut green grass. His dominance in the ruck and around the ground gave our on ballers and players an opportunity to run onto the ball and kick long. Mason Young’s tackling and general pressure was again evident and was probably the reason he had the Goldfield’s medal hanging around his neck at the end of play. Ben Locke moved from full back and made a difference with his strong attack on the ball. Not to be out done Brandon Ling marked the ball from a centred kick from Ben Locke and he not so calmly kicked a great goal.

Half time scores: Clarendon 6-6-42 vs BHPS 0-1-1

During the 3rd quarter we didn’t continue to kick goals but our work rate seemed to go up a cog which pleased the coach more than kicking another 3 goals. The 1%ers ticked over regularly. Nathan Ling ran about 20 metres, threw himself on the boot of a Black Hill player and smothered the ball, bringing the appreciative and knowledgeable crowd to their feet. Nate Nicholson attacked the ball off the half back line and picked up some contested possessions. Darcy Moloney was creative with some slick handball and using his “pace” to run on to the ball. Oliver Finch was creative on the half back line switching the ball for players like Darcy to run onto after finding space under the large tree that adorns the northern side of the ground. James Dawes took a mark, instinctively handballed to switch the play and Clarendon attacked down the far wing once again. Oliver Finch threw himself into the pack and copped a whack in the head. His replacement, Ben Locke, who was like a dog who was let off a chain after spending the entire day locked up while his mates ran around freely chasing sheep, entered the arena read the ball off the pack and slotted himself a handy goal. The only goal for the quarter for Clarendon, while Black Hill worked hard, ran fast and scored 2 goals.

Three quarter time scores: Clarendon 7-6-48 vs BHPS 2-1-13

The final quarter saw Clarendon pepper the goals but only register 1 goal 5 points. Yet again though the pressure, spirit and general enthusiasm amongst the team augers well for future contests against Grammar and the return bout against Black Hill. Tom De Ruiter got on the end of a great tap to Ben Locke whose kick landed on Tom’s chest which resulted in Tom scoring his first goal for the day. It was due reward as Tom had scrambled on the bottom of a few packs and pushed the ball our way.

Full time scores: 8-11-59 vs BHPS 3-2-20
Thanks to Mike O’Neil (BHPS coach), his team and all the supporters who enjoyed the beautiful, balmy Ballarat weather while sitting in the new grandstand. Also, to our resplendent goal umpires, Mark Finch and Brett Simpson, complete with brand new goal umpiring flags. Ryan from SEDA went unnoticed, which is a good sign, as he was our volunteer umpire for the day. Thanks Ryan on a great performance.

**Week 3**: We have a bye, so we get the chance to refine our game plan with our goal to make it a little simpler.

**Week 4** (Thursday 6 August): We take on our traditional rival, Ballarat Grammar at the Junior School oval. Hope to see you all there.

[Click here](#) for Year 3&4 Football photos

**Paul Stephens**
Head of Junior School Sport & Physical Education

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performing arts

The Ballarat Clarendon College ‘Clarendon Factor’ will be held at the end of this term and is open to all students from prep to year 4. If you play and instrument, sing, are part of band, dance, act, recite or have any interesting talents we'd love to see and hear you perform. The winner of ‘Clarendon Factor’ will be performing at the Junior School Showcase in November.

Entries are due by Thursday 13 August and the performances will take place during the last two weeks of term. On your entry please include the following information.

1. The name of all students involved in the item
2. The name of the item
3. Any special requirement – eg microphone & amp, musical backing, accompanist, piano etc.

When planning your item please keep the following conditions in mind.

- Maximum of 3 minutes per performance
- Students to come supplied with backing tracks on USB or accompanist as required.
- If the act requires costume, then students must have this for their ‘Clarendon Factor’ performance.
- Be careful about considering the appropriateness of the material in the act for young children as performers and audience.

Hand your entries into the Junior School Office.

Looking forward to the discovery of some great talent.

Kyle Hackwill
Head of Junior School Performing Arts

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Super 'Footy Colours' Sausage Sizzle
Thanks to everyone who volunteered their time to help out with the Sausage Sizzle - it was wonderful to have so many parent helpers. The kids seemed pretty happy, too. Particular thanks to the Mr Stephens for setting up some lunchtime footy activities on the oval and to all the teachers who helped run it. It was fantastic to see the kids having so much fun on the last day of term.

A reminder that there is another Sausage Sizzle planned for the last day of Term 3.

Year 4 Hoodies
On the last day of Term 2, the Year 4 students all received their hoodies - a special item to mark their last year in the Junior School. By all accounts, the hoodies have been a huge hit. Well done and many thanks to the Year 4 Parent Reps who organised this - they look fantastic!

Principal's Briefing
On Wednesday 29 July we are thrilled to have David Shepherd present a briefing for parents regarding the next phase of development works on the Junior School campus. It will be held in Watson Hall between 6.30 and 7.30pm. Coffee and tea will also be available.

We will continue these 'JSPG coffee with...' events with guest speakers on the last Wednesday of each month, throughout the term, in Watson Hall after drop-off. Please come along and meet up with other parents from across the year levels and listen to some interesting speakers. Further details re speakers to be listed in the Echo and on the noticeboards.

Junior School Mystery Movie Night
A fun night out for the kids has been organised by the JSPG for Friday 7 August, 5.30-7.30 pm. We will be screening a movie from 6 pm sharp for all year levels on the new big screens in Watson Hall. Entry is free. So, bring your beanbags, come in your PJ's or 'onesies' (if you wish!) and hang out in the Hall for a fun night out! Popcorn and 100% Fruit Juice Boxes will be available for purchase. Parents are encouraged to stay, too.

Movie details will be available closer to the date for parents wishing to know what's on.

Recycle Robot Competition
The JSPG is holding a competition to raise the children's awareness of how much recyclable rubbish accumulates in our homes each week.

The aim of this competition is for each child to collect the recycling (no glass) for a week and to then design and construct a 'Recycle Robot' from those items at home. Entries to be taken to school on Wednesday 5 August. The Robots will be judged and the winners, from each year level, will receive a new lunch pack set, encouraging the Nude Food concept. The winners will be announced at the Movie Night. Can't wait to see the designs!

Spring Drinks in the Boatshed
On Friday 4 September, 7.30-10 pm, the JSPG will be hosting an evening for parents and staff in the Clarendon College Boatshed. This relaxed evening event will be a lovely way to welcome in the warmer weather...encouraging everyone out from hibernation!

Drinks at bar prices and BYO snacks/food makes this an easy event to attend. More details soon - along with a trybooking RSVP in order to cater for the bar. We hope to see you all there - it should be a great night on the lake!

The Touchstone Market on Mair
Our first ever Touchstone Market will be held on Friday 16 October in Watson Hall, 6pm-9pm. We hope that this community event will bring everyone from across our campuses together for a pre-Christmas shopping night where we can purchase gifts/items from those in our own school community who have: existing businesses; are producers, designers, creative crafters; or those who are testing the water on a new venture and just starting out. We are hoping for a diverse range of stallholders, so anyone who's interested in a running a stall can contact the JSPG via email on: jspgbc@gmail.com. This is a great opportunity for us to support the businesses and people in our own community. Stalls can be purchased for $30 each and Expression of Interest forms and further details will be available shortly.
**JSPG cookbook, our table**
Copies of the BCC Junior School cookbook, *our table*, are available for sale at $40 per copy. You can also purchase 3 cookbooks, or more, for the price of $35 per copy. The book is also available for purchase online ([www.clarendon.vic.edu.au](http://www.clarendon.vic.edu.au)) $55 including delivery or you can pick up a copy at the Sturt Street campus for $40. Online purchases can also be collected at the Junior School Office on presentation of your receipt.

**JSPG Meeting**
The next JSPG meeting will be held in Watson Hall on Wednesday 19 August, 2015 at 7.30 pm. We hope to see you there. Don’t forget to bring your electronic device as we are trying to limit the use of printed out minutes and agendas.

**Nikki Bennett**
JSPG President

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Ballarat Clarendon College has an on-site uniform shop run by Dobsons. A percentage of every purchase is returned to the School.

Location and contact details
The Uniform Shop is located at 1425 Sturt Street, Ballarat. The Uniform Shop is located in the building in front of the Girls Boarding House adjacent to the Tennis Courts.

Telephone:  (03) 5330 8305 Email:  bac@dobsons.com.au

Normal Trading Hours (during School Term)
Tuesdays  1.00–4.30pm
Wednesdays  8.30–11.30am
Fridays  1.00–4.30pm

Dobsons will be closed for exeat on Friday 14 August, 2015

Do you need an appointment outside of our Trading Hours? We also offer individual fitting appointments. Please contact Leanne on (03) 5330 8305 during Trading Hours or via email bac@dobsons.com.au to arrange a suitable time.

Winter Uniform
Currently available a full size range of pinafores, kilts, blouses, black tights, long black socks and trousers.

King Island Polar Fleece
In stock, a full size range of King Island Polar Fleece.

Payment Facilities
EFT and Credit Card facilities are available. You can also apply, in store or online, for a Dobsons Account. Credit Card Authority forms are available at the Uniform Shop. Cheques are not accepted.

JSPG, Parents & Friends and 1920s Club Merchandise
We have various items for cash sale on behalf of the Junior School Parents Group, Parents & Friends and 1920s Club. The items available include Organisational Bags, Knitted Beanies, Parents & Friends Caps, Rowing Caps, Rowing Badges and Rowing Polar Fleece Vests.

Buying or Selling Second-hand Items
Dobsons also sell, in store, a range of second-hand uniforms on behalf of parents. A donation will be given to the Parents and Friends for each sale of second-hand uniforms. Please contact us to discuss. For online buying or selling, please visit www.uniformswapshop.com.au

For buying and selling your child’s requirements for Primary, Secondary and Tertiary levels visit  www.uniformswapshop.com.au

Buy and sell: uniforms, books, sports equipment, musical instruments, camera and film, art supplies, electronics, CD and DVDs.

All sales assist YOUR School community and The Alannah and Madeline Foundation. Easy to navigate, easy to buy, easy to sell. 24 hour access to goods. No commissions - 100% of money received by the seller. Try it today:  www.uniformswapshop.com.au
annual giving program

We are very grateful for the support we have received towards our Annual Giving Program. Donations towards Annual Giving will directly help fund the full renovation of our current sporting and physical-activity facilities. The new Fitness Centre will include a new infinity pool, refurbished gymnasium, exercise pavilion, changing rooms, spin room and multipurpose room.

The Centre will also include a state-of-the-art rowing tank, the first of its kind in Australia. The rowing tank will hold 16 seats. Each of these seats are being ‘sold’ to families, alumni & supporters who wish to support the project and who would like to be a part of Clarendon College history! Over half of the seats have already been sold to supporters. Donations towards the Project are tax-deductible.

To view a short video on YouTube of a very similar rowing tank from Washington State University please click here.

If you would like more information about Annual Giving or wish to ‘purchase’ a seat in Australia’s first rowing tank, please contact Emily Roffe-Silvester or download the brochure for more information.

Once again we are tremendously grateful for the kind support we have had to date and hope that others may also consider Ballarat Clarendon College when allocating their philanthropic investments.

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