

# doxaschoolbendigo

valuing the diversity, resilience and potential of young people



**March 2019**

## **A WORD FROM OUR PRINCIPAL**

The end of term one is upon us. What a busy term it's been. First term always rushes by and keeps everyone on their toes. Students are settling well and keeping busy however I think everyone is looking forward to the Easter holiday break.

Thanks to all of our parents and extended families for attending ILP meetings over the past month. There has been a lot of positive feedback from the staff regarding the plans and goals for the students for the remainder of the year.

Our thanks goes to all of the supporters of our Doxa Café. The hospitality students always look forward to catching up with the customers each week and love it when new faces appear. A reminder that the Café will be closed for the 2 weeks leading up to Easter but reopens on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April.

The school is currently upgrading its phone and internet services. Like many local businesses, we are experiencing some unforeseen problems. Hopefully, the problems will be ironed out soon. In the meantime, if you can't get hold of us, give us a call on the school mobile 0417 108 870.

Students have enjoyed a few out of town excursions so far this year, with the most recent being a trip to the Grand Prix. I'm sure most of the students who attended came home with lots of stories.

Students will be dismissed next Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April at 1pm and will return to start term 2 on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April.

A special thanks to the parents/guardians and support staff of our students whom we have worked with this term. Your continued support is appreciated and by working together, we can help to achieve results and become the best young people possible.

All staff wish our families and friends a safe and happy Easter and we look forward to catching up when school resumes in Term 2.

**John Russell**

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April - Last day of term 1. Students are dismissed at 1PM

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April - First day of term 2

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April - Anzac Day public holiday



**Ways to contact the school on 54428140 or 0417 108 870 or message us on Facebook**  
<https://www.facebook.com/DoxaSchoolBendigo/>

# WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE TRAPS

## Ky & Jac's Class

Well, term 1 is coming to a close, but there is no slowing down yet. We have been busily finishing the designs of our spaces and completing the 3D models. Our 'Payday' unit around numeracy and budgeting is slowly becoming harder. This allows our students the opportunity to receive a weekly 'wage' and use this to budget for food during the week. We have been looking up prices of groceries online and creating an actual meal planner with prices to include in the budget. This will gradually become more complex, which will teach students real life maths and why parents always seem to have no money!!

VET classes are running smoothly at the TAFE and we have been receiving some great feedback about students' participation. Most students are finishing up their occupational health and safety modules and will be moving onto more practical classes.

Thank you to all parents and students who attended the ILP meetings. We have a couple left to go, but students and staff are working on their goals towards next term.

We hope you all have wonderful and relaxing holidays.

Ky & Jac



## Australian F1 Grand Prix 2019

Some students and staff recently headed to Albert Park to watch some Formula 1 racing and check out the Driving Learning exhibition there. We travelled on the train and spent a few hours at the track. We watched some practice laps on the hill and checked out some of the old and new cars on display in the fan zone.

Students should be congratulated on the way they managed themselves throughout some very tricky, and crowded public transport trips.

Thanks to everyone who came along and especially thanks to Nick from Ky's group, who inspired the excursion.

We look forward to having many more fantastic day excursions throughout the year. Well Done Everyone!!!!

Lou.

# WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE TRAPS cont.

## Ruth's class

We have had a great start to the term with students attending classes as well as their VET commitments at BRIT. It has been wonderful to hear back from BRIT as to how successful our students are in such a small amount of time. We wish all our students all the very success as they undertake the units of work required for the completion of their VET studies.

During class time students have been working on their House Unit, Race around Australia and Moving out Of Home Unit as well as Literacy and Numeracy work. Students have been working well and have achieved some great results.

A big thank you to all the parents and carers who attended ILP meeting with classroom teachers and wellbeing support staff. These are being finalised and parents and careers will be given a copy of their child's ILP in the near future.

Wishing you all the best for the remainder of the term and wishing you all a happy and safe holiday break.

Ruth, Nick and Carla



## Brad & Tony's class

This term, in the classroom, we have been doing a unit of work on tomato sauce. We are using this unit to work on different subjects such as Mathematics, English, Art/Design, Researching and Computing. We have been doing maths by converting measurements, looking at prices of shopping and working out costings. We have practiced English using a storyboard to show procedural text.

This week, we meet with John our Principal and asked if Doxa School could financially support the class with our Enterprise Unit, which sees the group producing a special batch of tomato sauce available for sale at Next Tuesday's Cafe.

Many thanks, Damian and Patrick (students)



# **CHILD SAFE STANDARDS**

In December 2015, the Victorian Government released a document focusing on the responsibility of schools to keep their students safe. As part of this commitment, the government outlined a number of 'Child Safe Standards' that all schools must implement.

Doxa School Bendigo continues to spend considerable time reviewing our practices and working closely with the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria (CECV) to ensure we provide the safest and most nurturing environment possible. This includes using principles we have adapted from the CECV publication 'Catholic Schools, Child Safe Schools' of:

***1. Having as our primary concern the safety and wellbeing of children and young people.***

*At all times, the ongoing safety and wellbeing of all children and young people will be the primary focus of care and decision-making.*

***2. Empowering families, children, young people and staff to raise concerns.***

*Schools, in partnership with families, will ensure children and young people are active participants in making decisions, particularly for decisions that may have an impact on their safety.*

***3. Careful planning and effective practices.***

*Schools will continually identify any risks to children's safety and aim to reduce/eliminate them wherever possible. Schools will also have open and well-understood policies, procedures and practices.*

We believe these are a very positive step toward making sure all of our children are safe, all of the time. If you have questions about the Child Safe Standards, please feel free to get in touch with John (Principal) or Nick (Wellbeing) to discuss.

Further information is also available on the Doxa School Bendigo website, or via the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria website [www.cecv.catholic.edu.au/Our-Schools/Child-Safety](http://www.cecv.catholic.edu.au/Our-Schools/Child-Safety) or The Victoria Department of Education website [www.education.vic.edu.au](http://www.education.vic.edu.au)







# MAKING PARENTING A LITTLE EASIER

presented by **DAN PETRO** - Behaviour Analyst

**Three opportunities to attend in 2019**

**SATURDAY 25 MAY (Bendigo)**

Catholic Education Office(120 Hargreaves St Bendigo)

**SATURDAY 3 AUGUST (Wangaratta)**

Gateway Hotel (29-37 Ryley St, Wangaratta)

**SATURDAY 9 NOVEMBER (Shepparton)**

The Carrington (505 Wyndham St, Shepparton)

**9:30am - 3:00pm**

Parenting is a demanding task under any circumstances, and doing so when a child displays challenging behaviours increases the difficulty. These problem behaviour situations are often amplified as the child's challenges can collide with typical developmental changes all children experience. Parents can become at odds with the child, or even between themselves, when searching for the best responses to these tough situations. Other children in the home can also be impacted, as the problem circumstances become a common part of their day.

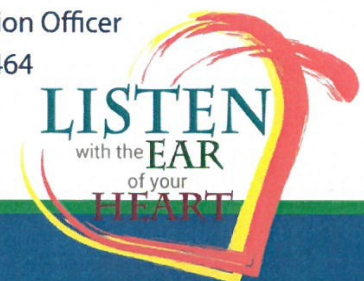
During this one-day workshop, participants will be provided with practical, flexible alternatives they can draw upon to teach new skills at home, help establish daily routines and effectively prevent or respond to challenging situations.

**Who is invited:**

Parents, those parenting and anyone interested in learning.

**Who to Contact if needed:**

If you have any questions please contact your Pastoral Wellbeing Education Officer or Frances Browne E: [fbrowne@ceosand.catholic.edu.au](mailto:fbrowne@ceosand.catholic.edu.au) or M: 0400 505 464



**Registrations for 25 May CLOSE on Friday 17 May 2019**

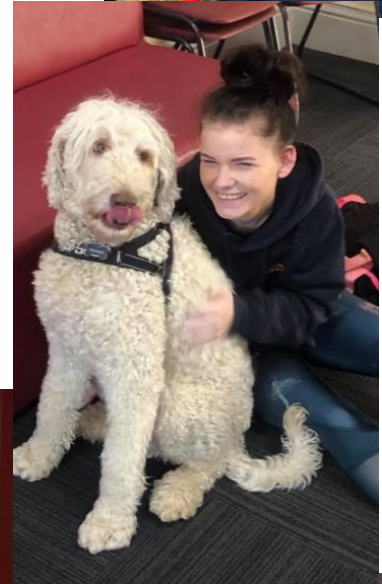
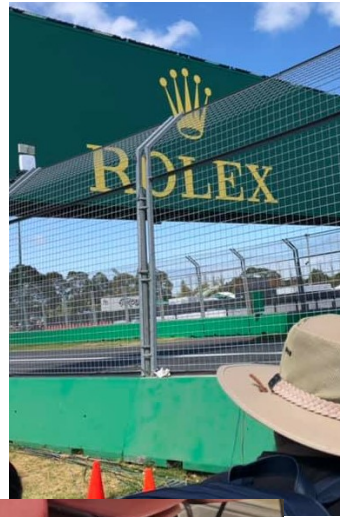
**Registrations for 3 August CLOSE on Friday 26 July 2019**

**Registrations for 9 November CLOSE on Friday 1 November 2019**

**Please click on the link to register:**

**[www.ceosand.catholic.edu.au/news/professional-learning](http://www.ceosand.catholic.edu.au/news/professional-learning)**





## An exciting month at Doka.

A trip to Albert Park to have a look at those amazing Formula One cars.

A visit to the school by Buddy the amazing Labradoodle.

A sunny afternoon spent at the Chinese Gardens.

Dessert pizza was on the menu for Tuesday's afternoon elective.

