

## What's happening over the next few weeks?

<b>Wed 1 April</b>	Yrs 9 & 10 PASS Excursion
<b>Thurs 2 April</b>	Yrs 7 & 11 Transition Reports distributed Applications for Year 7 2016 due <b>Last Day of Term 1</b>
<b>Mon 20 April</b>	<b>First Day of Term 2</b>
<b>Wed 22 April</b>	Dio Girls Touch Football Dio Boys Soccer
<b>Thurs 23 April</b>	Year 7 Art & History Excursion Day 1
<b>Fri 24 April</b>	Year 7 Art & History Excursion Day 2

## BENNY'S BITES

24 MARCH 2015



Burn Festival



### Gardening Club

Now that our kitchen garden has been moved to its new site next to the Food Tech and Hospitality rooms, we are seeking donations to help re-establish this very popular Garden Club activity. If there is anyone who has garden soil, herbs or vegetable seedlings they can donate to our garden the students would very much appreciate it.

Mrs Brown

### School Fee Account

A reminder that the 1st Instalment of the School Fee Account is due on Friday 27. (Please note that this due date does not apply to those who have a regular payment plan in place or have made alternate arrangements with Mr Hanratty.)

### CAFÉ NEWS

Reminders:

- Bags to be left outside of Café
- Have your card ready to purchase
- Lunch orders can be made before school or at the Recess break
- Check the website for updates to the menu

### YEARS 9 & 10 PASS EXCURSION

Students attending the excursion to the Tree Top Adventure Park on Wednesday 1 April are reminded that they are to wear their full school sports uniform, including school hat and appropriate enclosed footwear. Students may choose to bring a long shirt and long pants to change into, to avoid the rope rubbing on their skin.

Students are also required to bring adequate food and water for the day, as there will be no canteen facilities.

### YEAR 7 2016

**Students at Catholic feeder primary schools as well as siblings of present students are reminded that the applications for positions at St Benedict's in Year 7 2016 close on the last day of Term 1, Thursday 2 April.**

### Internet safety presentation helps children stay safe online

On Monday 16 March, students in Years 7 - 9 attended presentations by the Australian Media and Communications Authority (ACMA). As part of the Cybersmart Outreach Program, Mrs Kellie Britnell delivered a well received Internet Safety Awareness presentation to 300 students.

Mrs Britnell addressed a range of issues including:

- the ways students use the internet and emerging technologies
- potential risks for students online, such as cyberbullying, identity theft, inappropriate contact and exposure to inappropriate content
- tips to help students stay safe online.

For all year groups, this is part of an ongoing conversation about making the best choices while using technology that was begun during Year 7 Laptop Bootcamps and continued during classes across the curriculum.

In the afternoon Mrs Britnell also conducted a teacher forum apprising teachers of the latest developments regarding cyber safety.

Further information for parents is available through links on the school website and on the Cybersmart website.

## College Cross Country Carnival

The annual College Cross Country Carnival took place last week and was a wonderful opportunity to again celebrate the many talents of our students. We were blessed with sunshine all day, although this did mean that our competitors were certainly put to the test running in some challenging conditions.

Students were given the chance to showcase their cross country running ability at a fantastic venue that boasts a challenging course. All of our students completed two laps of the Australian Botanical Gardens 2km track. In a College first, an impressive six records were broken. This is an outstanding achievement and demonstration of the growing talent amongst our community. Each age group also participated in enjoyable novelty events during the day. Once again, we were impressed with the participation and cooperation shown by the students who attended on the day.

This year's Cross Country Carnival finished with the annual Staff V Student Tug-O-War competition. Two students from each homeroom took on willing staff in a battle of strength and determination. It was fantastic to see all get involved and it was an event that bought everyone to their feet. The student team took the crown this year, but staff will be back and ready for the challenge in 2016!

The day would not have been a success without the hard work of the staff, as well as the assistance of the parents who gave up their time to help with the events of the day. Thank you very much, your time and efforts were a huge contribution to the successful running of the carnival.

Congratulations to Polding for placing first in this year's Cross Country Carnival. Second place went to Dharawal, with Ingham finishing in third. A number of students have been selected to go on and represent the College at the Diocesan Secondary Cross Country Carnival to be held at Nowra next term, we wish them all the best.

Finally, congratulations to the following Age Champions for 2015:

Emily	Murdoch	12 Girls
Aiden	Wood	12 Boys
Gabrielle	Sarkis	13 Girls
Dylan	Mifsud	13 Boys
Alex	Wark	14 Girls
Aaron	Kelly	14 Boys
Courtney	Schonell	15 Girls
Nicholas	Hogan	15 Boys
Karley	Schonell	16 Girls
Reece	Meredith	16 Boys
Samantha	Krause	17+ Girls
Nathan	Parnell	17+ Boys







## RANIER UNIFORM NEWS

# **PLEASE COME IN NOW** **TO ORGANIZE YOUR WINTER** **UNIFORMS**

**Last trading day for Term 1 – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2015**

**Extra trading days - (By appointment only)**

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April -Hours: 2:00pm – 6:00pm**

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April – Hours 9.00am – 1.00pm**

**Regular trading days resume on Tuesday, 21st April 2015**

### Book Fitting Appointment

#### ONLINE



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School password: stb2570

Student ID from the school

**\*New students:** Click on  
"Fitting Appointment"

#### PHONE



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Mrs Maureen Thorpe

*If there's no answer, please  
leave a message and your call  
will be returned on the next  
trading day.*

#### EMAIL



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#### Shop Location

5/6 Porrende St,  
Narellan

**Tuesday 9.00am – 1:00pm & Thursday 2:00pm – 6.00pm**

**1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month - 9.00am – 1.00pm**

### Payment

Cash / Eftpos / Visa / Mastercard (1.5% credit card surcharge applies)



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