



AUSTRALIAN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE Hume

Formally Benalla Christian School Reg. No. 1853:

2012 Annual Report

Introduction

This Annual Report provides an overview of various aspects of school life in 2012. The report is published in accordance with Federal and State government compliance requirements and gives information for the benefit of government compliance, parents and the community.

In 2011 the School Board and members of Benalla Christian School elected new board members and accepted financial and governance assistance from Christian Education Ministries in order to remain operational in 2012. In the same year Norm Fitzgerald was appointed Principal of the school. The school was renamed in 2012 as Australian Christian College – Hume.

After lengthy discussion with the VRQA in regards to governance and other compliance issues it was agreed that the School's current registration, formally recognized by the VRQA as Benalla Christian School, cease and a new registration sought for the new governance model adopted.

The registration of Benalla Christian School, No. 1853, finished on 31st December 2012.

Workforce Composition

From January till June, the School employed one fulltime teacher and two part time teachers.

From July till December, the School employed two fulltime teachers.

There was one fulltime Administrator throughout the year.

Other part time and casual staff assisted as Teacher's Aides, Ground Maintenance and Casual Relief Teachers.

In 2012, the staff attendance rate was 98%

In 2012, one member of staff did not continue working at the school.

There were no indigenous teachers at school in 2012.

Teacher Standards and Qualifications

Name	Role	Registration	Qualifications	Class
Norm Fitzgerald	Teacher/Principal	Full Registration #176183	B.Mus.(Hons), B.A., Dip Teaching, A.T.C.L.	Years 3 - 6
Claire Bradbury (part-time, January-June)	Teacher	Full Registration #179878	B.Ed., Dip. Primary Ed.	Prep – Year 2
Suzanne Roe (part-time, January-June, full-time July-December)	Teacher	Permission to Teach #343287	Dip. Teaching	Prep – Year 2

Professional Development

In 2012, staff attended the following Professional Developments:

- **ACC Conference** at Australian Christian College – Marsden Park in Sydney on 12-18 January attended by all teaching staff (2 days)
- **ISV New Principals Conference** in Melbourne held on 25-26 March, 3-4 June, 19-20 August and 11-12 November attended by Principal (8 days)
- **DEECD Drug Education** in Wangaratta held on 14 May attended by Principal (1 day)
- **Teaching Mathematics to Prep** Students held in Shepparton on 27 March attended by two teachers (1 day)
- **Mathematics** held in Melbourne in December attended by Teacher's Aide (1 day)
- **ISV Implementation of Australian Curriculum** held in Wangaratta attended by Principal and teacher (1 day)
- **Update of First Aid Level 2** attended by two staff members (1 day, 0.5 days)
- **Introduction to Child Protection** online course completed by all staff members (0.5 days)

Total cost of Professional Development in 2012 was \$1,789.

ACC allocates \$500 per staff member per school year for ongoing professional development.

Student Enrolment

There were two classes at school: the Junior Class consisted of Prep-Yr2 students and the Senior Class covered Yr3-6.

The enrolment in 2012 was as follows, according to Census data:

Class	February 2012	August 2012
Prep	5	6
Year 1	6	5
Year 2	3	4
Year 3	3	1
Year 4	5	4
Year 5	0	0
Year 6	0	0
TOTAL	22	20

Student Attendance

Student attendance in 2012 was as follows:

Class	Attendance
Prep	95%
Year 1	92%
Year 2	96%
Year 3	97%
Year 4	96%
Year 5	NA%
Year 6	NA%
TOTAL	95%

Total attendance trends over the last three years in percentage form:

2012	2011	2010
95%	90%	91%

Attendance increased in 2012 compared to the previous two years. The months of May, June, July and August show a slight increase in absence, due mainly to colds and flu.

The percentages for Years 1 and 4 are affected by one family who went on an extended holiday.

The school monitors attendance and absences twice per day: at roll call held between 9.00-9.10am and 3.00-3.10pm. Attendance and absences are recorded on a register. A note from the parent/guardian is required for absences giving the reason for the absence. This note is kept on file. Absences that are not accounted for within a few days are followed up with a phone call to parents.

Parents receive a summary of days absent twice per year with their Student Report.

Student Outcomes

The National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) assesses all students in Australian schools in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9.

The school participated in NAPLAN. Due to the small number of students sitting in Year 5 the school did not meet the reporting threshold. School results, therefore, have not been published and is marked with an (*) in the table below. In 2012, there was one Year 3 student registered at the school during the NAPLAN testing period and no students in Year 5.

Publishable results have been given for 2010 and 2012.

NAPLAN RESULTS

YEAR	YR LEVEL	DOMAIN	BCS RESULTS	SIMILAR SCHOOLS	ALL SCHOOLS
2012	Year 3*		-	-	-
	Year 5*		-	-	-
2011	Year 3	Reading	416	407	416
		Persuasive Writing	385	407	416
		Spelling	382	397	406
		Grammar and Punctuation	421	411	421
		Numeracy	425	392	398
	Year 5*	Reading	-	480	488
		Persuasive Writing	-	473	483
		Spelling	-	474	485
		Grammar and Punctuation	-	490	499
		Numeracy	-	480	488
2010	Year 3*		-	-	-
	Year 5*		-	-	-

The NAPLAN results show the school to be performing close to the benchmark in Reading, Grammar and Punctuation in 2011 with below average results in Spelling and Persuasive Writing. The school recorded an above average result in Numeracy.

The school community received additional value in the form of a complimentary set of school uniform provided by Australian Christian College.

ACC Hume is a P-6 school. No information is applicable for standardised assessment results for Year 9 and 10 students, senior secondary outcomes, the proportion of Year 9 students retained to Year 12 and post-school destinations.

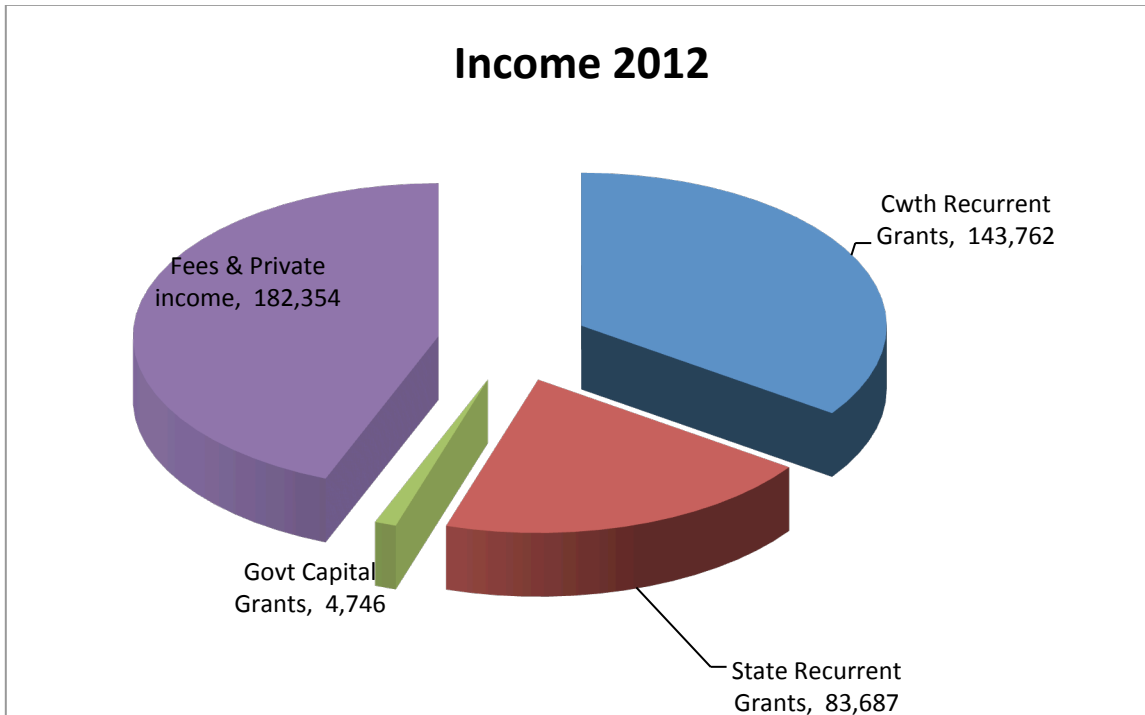
Student, Parent and Teacher Satisfaction

In response to the School's performance in 2012:

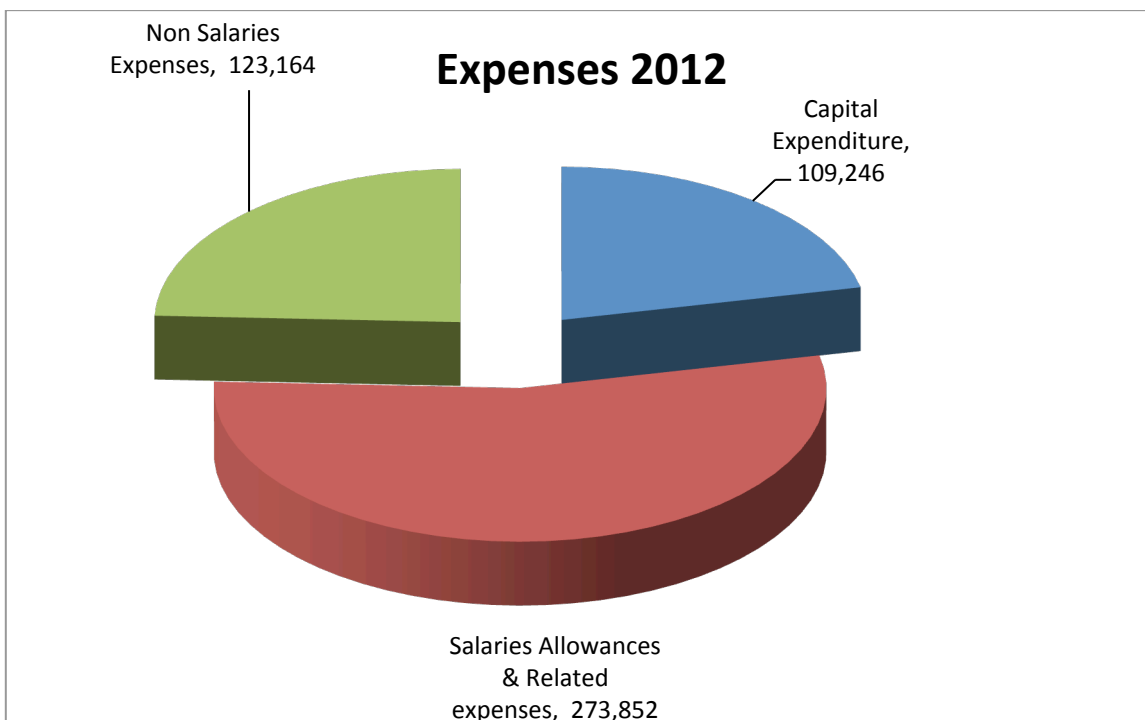
- Six parents replied representing eight school students. All were very satisfied with the school and how it met the needs of their students.
- Four students replied. Each reflected positively on the school.
- The other teacher completing the year commented on how well the year went.

One letter of complaint was received by the School Board and responded to appropriately.

Income by Funding Source



Financial Activities



Report Availability

Copies of this report can be found:

1. On the Victorian State Register.
2. On the Australian Christian College – Hume website: www.acc.edu.au
3. At the Australian Christian College – Hume office: 21 Sydney Rd, Benalla, Victoria.

