

Murrayville Community College Newsletter



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From the Principal

House Cross Country –

Congratulations to all competitors who ran earlier today in our House Cross Country.

Thank you to:

- ★ all parents, carers and grandparents who came along to support the students
- ★ our school councillors who sold morning tea
- ★ Mr Willersdorf and Mrs Wyatt for the way that they prepared the students for their events and organised the day to run so smoothly.

Individual times will be calculated into points for the overall house shield at the end of the year.

NAPLAN -

Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 will be participating in a number of NAPLAN tests next week, beginning Tuesday. Please make sure that all students in these year levels do attend each day from Tuesday to Thursday, as these are important national tests that occur in all Australian schools. They provide feedback to individuals, parents and schools about student performance in numeracy and literacy. Students in Years 4 and 6 will also complete some practice NAPLAN tests in this time and these tests will be marked by our teachers and used as additional indicators for how students are tracking. Unfortunately results are not made available to schools or parents until September. Thank you to Mrs Chaplin for her coordination of these tests.

Meningococcal Immunisations –

The State government is funding immunisations for all students in **Years 10, 11 and 12** in 2017. This will be administered as a single dose Meningococcal vaccine protecting against the A, C, W and Y strains. This is a new immunisation program for students and will be delivered by the Mildura Rural City Council's Immunisation team. The proposed date is 25th May - further information and consent cards were sent home with students yesterday.

Arts Council -

On Thursday our secondary students were treated to a very entertaining and amusing performance based on 'The Yellow Wave', a story about the invasion of Australia (photo below).

Natasha Mudie - Principal



Attendance 24-28/4

3	97.5%
7	97.3%
2	96.8%
11	95.8%
4	95.0%
6	95.3%
9	93.7%
10	93.1%
5	90.9%
Prep, 1, 12	87.5%
8	75%

PRIMARY

12	Patricia Bellchambers	Cooper Wisneske
11	Sharon Joseph	Jonathon Peers
10	Steffi Ammerlaan	Brooklyn Morzer-Bruyns
9	Matilda Wyatt	Harvey Crane
8	Samantha Jackson	Reece Walker
7	Jaid Bellchambers	Nate Kelly
5-6	Emma Berlin	Thomas Crane

SECONDARY

12-13	Suzie Beckmann	Brock Milde
14	Annika Yard	Bram Schiller
15	Jade Bennier	Malcolm Moore
16	Kirsty Heintze	Blake Virgo
17	Maddison Mudie	Ben Finn
18-20	Lexi Thomas	Ryan Hawthorne

More Cross Country details in next week's newsletter





BPoint Facility

Parents, staff and community members are now able to pay school expenses in person or over the 'phone using a debit or credit card via the school's Bpoint facility. This service is provided in addition to the existing Bpay facility.



B P O I N T

Bpoint transactions require the payee to provide their debit or credit card details (card number, expiry, name on card and ccv) along with an email address to which a receipt is generated from the Commonwealth Bank. This service has been engaged as it is sometimes difficult to source cash to pay for purchases at the front office, and also to enable purchases over the 'phone for items such as school uniform. Payees do need to be aware, however, that Bpoint attracts a 1.4% surcharge on top of the cost of good/services provided, and also a 29¢ Transaction fee. These additional charges are payable by the payee unlike Bpay which is free e.g. Parent A purchases uniform to the value of \$40 at the front office using Credit/Debit card. The total cost to Parent A will be \$40 + 1.4% Surcharge of \$0.56 + Transaction Fee \$0.29 = \$40.85.

We hope this facility is of benefit to the school community. Please contact Joylene Moyle at the College if you have any queries.



CANTEEN

ADVANCE NOTICE
for parents of Secondary Students
Pathways and VCE Information
for 2018 will be on 9th August at 3:30pm
(following the House Athletics)

ALL ORDERS TO BE PLACED
at the Front Office BEFORE SCHOOL

AVAILABLE MONDAY-FRIDAY

Cold foods are: Wraps / Sandwiches / Rolls

Hot foods are:

Ham & Cheese / Chicken & Cheese Hot Rolls \$4

HOT FOODS available on

MONDAYS and FRIDAYS ONLY

Pies / Pasties \$4.50

Large Sausage Rolls \$3

Party Pies \$1

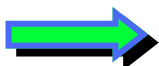
Pizzas (Ham & Pineapple or Bacon & Cheese) \$2

Sauce 20c

Please - no more than \$5 in your envelope

Check NEW prices in last week's newsletter

On days when the Canteen Manager is absent there will only be PASTRIES and PIZZAS available - no sandwiches/rolls/wraps will be prepared



Monday 8th May
will be PASTRIES and PIZZAS ONLY

PRIDE
AWARDS

3-4 :

Farren FINN -

for showing DETERMINATION
in completing all his Maths work by himself

Lachlan NU\$KE -

for showing EXCELLENCE
in Integrated Studies with great problem solving
and input into class discussion

5-6 :

Erin JACKSON -

for showing PERSISTENCE
towards Cross Country running; improving her times

Dillon WALKER -

for showing PERSISTENCE
towards Cross Country running; improving his times

From the 19th – 21st April I attended the 2017 SA Sheep Expo. There were three age groups - juniors (12-14 years), intermediate (15-17 years) and seniors (18-23 years). When I arrived I was told which was my room/locker, who I was sharing it with and was allocated a White Suffolk ewe to handle. There were many different types of sheep ranging from Romneys to Texels and Polwarths. Everyone who attended the expo was allocated either a ram, ewe or lamb that they were supposed to look after, handle and show. The seniors were given a buddy or two which are the juniors, and shown where to help them look after and handle their sheep. Every group was divided into three smaller groups, and the first day was a team challenge which involved team work by communicating with a blindfolded person to move hay bales. We learnt how apps are used to help promote a farm, and the nutrition needed for ewes when they are pregnant and when they are not. David Kellock, who runs Kelvale Kepies, taught us how to pick a perfect sheep dog and how to train it. We had two men from Elders teach us about auctioneering, and some of us had to stand in front of our groups and pretend that we were auctioneering ewes or rams. The second day we learnt about ewe management and how to judge wool, collect data from an automatic drafter and we also learnt about genetics. We were shown how to handle and show our sheep. Mine was not very cooperative like most of the other sheep. We learnt about the different types of sheep that were displayed, such as where they originated from, how the breed came about and how many micron the fleece can be. That night we had guest speakers - the 2016 SA Sheep Expo Winner, Emily Attard, who won the NZ trip and told us about her experience, Thomas Foods International, and Jeremy Schutz. We also had a careers panel with four people who answered questions about their job and how they got to where they are now. The third day we had Fiona Armstrong show us how to make our sheep look presentable and tell us about her showing experiences. We had a quiz on everything that we had learnt, and a marketing assignment, which went towards our final marks for our age group total. Later in the day we were judged on how well we presented our sheep.

My favourite part of the experience of this expo was learning how to grade wool, see how they did artificial insemination and pregnancy scanning. Having this experience means you can meet new people, and see and learn new things that you would not

be able to discover while on the home farm. It was interesting to have a wide range of people talk to us about their careers in the livestock industry (from livestock vet to having their own stud farm and being an employee at Thomas Foods International). I definitely recommend this to anyone who wants a career with livestock, or who even wants to become a vet. It is a great, worthwhile experience!
Sydney Heintze



Learning how to pregnancy scan ewes



How to judge merino fleeces



What data can be collected - what to do with it



Junior judging - assessing meat and wool





COLLEGE CALENDAR

Community Notices

9/5	Practice GAT : VCE students
9-11/5	NAPLAN
15/5	College Council
16/5	Mallee Cross Country Arts Council : P-6
22/5	Free Dental Checks
23/5	SAPOL Driver Safety : Year 11
25/5	Year 7 & 10-12 immunisation
6/6	Zone Cross Country
19-23/6	12 Outdoor Ed
23/6	Macbeth Workshop : Year 10
26-30/6	Year 10 Work Experience
27/6	Reports sent home
30/6	Cluster Day : Student Free End of Term
17/7	Start of Term 3 Year 7 immunisation
9/8	House Athletics Pathways & VCE/Electives Info
14/8	College Council
30/8	Mallee Division Athletics

BEAT CANCER



BIGGEST MORNING TEA
 NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE
 on Tuesday 30th May
 Donations to Jacqui at the
 Neighbourhood House at any time
 Phone 5095 2205 for more information

Do you have a talent and are willing to make something to donate for the **BIGGEST MORNING TEA?**

It could be:

- ★ Craft
- ★ Cooking
- ★ Potted Plants
- ★ Cards
- ★ Jewellery
- ★ Art

... anything really!!

Any donations would be greatly appreciated and will be sold at the Morning Tea



Royal Flying Doctor Service VICTORIA

FREE DENTAL CHECK-UPS AT SCHOOL : Monday 22 May

The Flying Doctor Dental team will be visiting the College to provide FREE dental check-ups and education about healthy teeth and gums.

If you would like your child to have a FREE dental check-up, please complete the consent form (**sent home with all students**) and return it to the College front office.

After your child's check-up, the dental team will send home a report.

If your child requires follow-up treatment it will be stated in the report and details of when the Clinic will be in the area to provide treatment. Any information collected about your child will be treated confidentially and will only be shared with other members of the program team.

Further information may be obtained by:

Phone: (03) 8412 044

Email: dental@rfdsvic.com.au



PLAYERS/SUPPORTERS REUNION

Murrayville Football

& Netball Clubs

Saturday 17th June

Registration from 10am at the oval

Football/netball from 10:30am,

followed by dinner, jumper auction

and music in the Murrayville Hall

RSVP by 17th May

WELL WOMENS CLINIC : MURRAYVILLE

Glennis Barnes from MTHCS

will be visiting Murrayville

on Tuesday 23rd May

To book your pap smear appointment please phone

Joy on 5095 2070

or Jacqui on 5095 2205

The most
useful virtue
is patience

COMMUNICATIONS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

1. 3-4 students : Term 2 information
2. Years 3, 5, 7 & 9 : 2017 NAPLAN information for parents and carers

Please check that you have received this and, if not, contact the College for another copy

