

Murrayville Community College Newsletter



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From the Principal

Duke of Edinburgh Award -

As part of the Advance program we have again enrolled the majority of our Year 9s and 10s in the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award. These students will get credit for the sport that they have played and the skills that they have developed outside of school towards this award. Part of the award is providing a service to the community. The 9/10 students enrolled in Advance (Outdoor Ed) have begun to work cooperatively with the Murrayville Walking Trail and Wetland group. They have assisted with rubbish removal, mapping the trails and completed navigation activities. As part of their Personal Development course, the VCAL students involved in Duke of Ed, planned and prepared a BBQ lunch at Pine Hill on Thursday for the other students. Proceeds from the BBQ went to the SRC. Thanks to Mr Watson for his assistance with this.

End of Term -

What a wonderful, busy and productive Term 3 we have had. So many great learning opportunities and extra-curricular experiences have been provided to our students across the whole school. These include: Flinders Uni Test for Year 12s, VCE Studio Art Excursion, English Competition, House and Interschool Athletics, Carly Ryan Foundation visit, Yr 11 & 12 Mock Interviews, Flinders Uni visit to the school and senior students visit to Flinders Uni Open Day, Defence Force visit, WOW program, Arts Council performance – 'The Bottle Collector', 'Ambitions' Social, the Year 3/4 camp to Wellington, Yr 12 Biology trip to Mildura, Yr 12 Maths revision in Robinvale and attendance at the Pinnaroo PS production of 'Twisting Tales'. All of these opportunities are available to our students because our staff and students are prepared to put in the time and effort to make things happen. Term 3 is also the busiest term for our senior students as they work towards their end of year exams, which will almost be upon them on their return to school.

Staffing —

Planning for 2019 is well underway. Students in Years 10 & 11 have submitted their subject choices and I will have access to the indicative budget at the end of this term. With fewer enrolments in 2019 our overall budget will be tighter next year, but I will certainly endeavour to still cater for all of our students' educational needs. Very few staffing decisions have been made at this stage, but I can reveal that Eryn Wyatt will be teaching our early years children and Jaimi Willersdorf and Penny Peers will continue in the middle primary. We will be advertising for upper primary in Term 4. We are currently investigating a primary structure of a P-1 class, a 2/3/4 class and a 5/6 class.

Hats -

Just a reminder to all students and parents that wide-brimmed or bucket hats are required to be worn whilst outside in Term 4 and Term 1. Please ensure that student's hats are brought to school on the first day next term.

Holidays -

I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday away from the routines of school. However, the holidays should provide our students with rich learning experiences and arm them with worldly knowledge that they can draw on at school. If travelling please encourage your children take in the features of a different environment or possibly a different culture. Games like spotto and eye spy can help them to look closely at new places. Trying a new food or cuisine or a local activity may give a better understanding of a local culture. If staying home watching a documentary with your child, encouraging them to read a novel, or do puzzles or board games, cooking together, spending time outdoors, gardening are all ways to provide great learning experiences that will improve their vocabulary, literacy, maths, and provide them with a range of experiences that stimulate ideas when they are discussing and writing.

Natasha Mudie
Principal



10-14 September

2	100%
6	96%
Prep, 5	95%
3	93.3%
8	92.3%
4	91.1%
11	89.1%
7	87.5%
1, 12	86.6%
9	85.72%
10	82.23%

Please notify absences
before 9:30am or
parents will be contacted
by the school
Phone 5095 2001 or
email oster.brenda.j
@edumail.vic.gov.au

Farewell
Emma T

Thanks for being part of MCC

WOW

WORKING ON WITHIN

WOW "Working on Within"

On Friday 14th September students from years 7-10 participated in the WOW program, a day long seminar presented by Sensei Jimmy and Sensei Don from Strike Force Self

Defence. The students were kept very active learning some karate moves, self defence and finally the breakdance planking warm up and the 1 - 10 challenge. Interspersed throughout the physical components were valuable teaching moments covering the areas of respect, persistence, bullying, confidence and conflict. It was great to see all students engaging positively with the programme. Here are some of their reflections:



"I thought that this was an amazing experience. To be honest I was scared at the start, but they were very nice and taught me how to ALWAYS be confident."

"I enjoyed the challenges and I am glad you pushed us to our limits - thanks"

"Today was very educational and it makes me want to strive for bigger things. The two teachers made the experience fun and enjoyable."



"I enjoyed learning self defence and how to defend without violence."

"It made me feel a lot more confident about myself. It was very helpful and educational."

"Today I learnt about my plans for the next few years. I want to refine myself inside and out; physically and mentally. I found it a useful revelation. I want to thank the Senseis for conducting that training and hope to never do that breakdancing warm-up stretch again!"

Many thanks to Mildura City Council and School Focussed Youth for making this programme available to us.



CANTEEN

Hat reminder

STUDENTS MUST WEAR HATS WHEN OUTSIDE FROM THE BEGINNING OF TERM 4 (& IN TERM 1)



ALL ORDERS TO BE PLACED at the Front Office BEFORE SCHOOL
Late orders will only have access to ham & cheese toasties

MONDAY	Sandwiches/Rolls <u>AND</u> Hot Foods including Toasties
TUESDAY	Sandwiches/Rolls <u>AND</u> Toasties
WEDNESDAY	Sandwiches/Rolls <u>AND</u> Toasties
THURSDAY	Sandwiches/Rolls <u>AND</u> Toasties
FRIDAY	HOT FOODS & Toasties <u>ONLY</u> (no sandwiches or rolls)

Pies/Pasties \$4.50 : Party Pies \$1 : Sausage Rolls \$3

Sauce 20c

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

Sandwiches / Rolls

Ham & Cheese Toasties \$2

Please - no more than \$5 in your envelope

PRIDE AWARDS

P-2 :

Davyd DAVYDUIK

for RESPECT

for his peers and for his environment

3-4 :

Reece WALKER

for DETERMINATION

to improve his writing in editing phase

5-6 :

Shania HEINTZE

for showing DETERMINATION

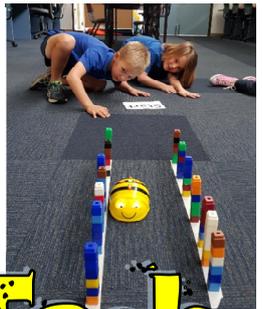
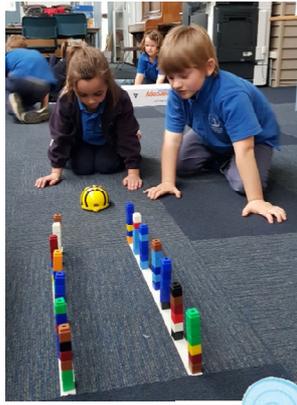
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Lila OAKLEY

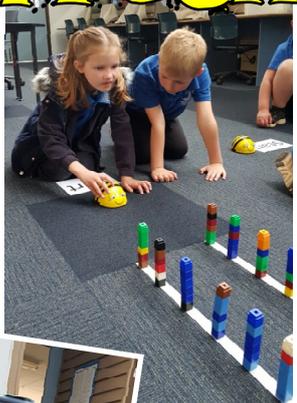
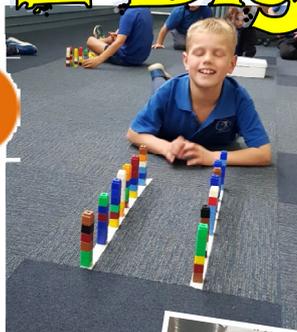
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F-2 DigitTech





On Friday the September 14th we welcomed Charlie, Hudson, Parker, Patrick, Scarlett and Stella to MCC as part of their transition into Prep next year. We had a shared lunch with our Year 5 Buddies and the current Prep students; followed by a chance to explore the play areas of the primary school. We enjoyed making new friends and finished the day with a picture book story. We are all looking forward to transition days next term.

Eryn Wyatt

YEAR 9 DEBATING

The Year 9 English class held a debate last week on the student-selected topic: **Illegal immigrants should be deported from Australia without delay.** Both teams, consisting of Annika, Brock and Kynan for the affirmative, and Kristen, Luka and Jaylen for the negative team, presented strong, well substantiated arguments. Jaylen ran the debate as Chairperson and time keeper. He also stepped in to read the third speaker notes for the negative side due to absence of their original team member. Miss Hellwege and Mrs Parker were the adjudicators, and marked students on Matter, Manner and Method. They found that both teams were even in Matter, but the Affirmative side scored slightly higher in Manner and Method, hence they were awarded the winner's trophy.



Here are some of the arguments raised and feedback comments from the Year 7 audience:

"The Affirmative side argued effectively that, 'Why should our tax payers waste their hard-earned money on shelter and detention buildings for illegal immigrants?'"

"They stated that these illegals might bring diseases and that they haven't followed the rules in providing the paperwork or an application, like other refugees."

"The Negative team showed valid reasons why illegal immigrants should have their own rights to choose what is



best for themselves and overall best for their families. Most of the time they are not choosing to be illegal; they are choosing to survive."

"There is a significant risk that boats sent away from our shores will sink and drown these people before they can reach a safe place."

Overall, the Year 9 students learnt a great deal about team management, debating etiquette and how to present a viewpoint clearly and confidently.

Mrs Parker would love to know the origins of the 'debating cup' that now sits in one of our classrooms. It is engraved with *O'Brien Inter-house Debating Trophy*. See the picture at right. It must pre-date 1994, because she can't recall it being used in an official capacity during her time at Murrayville Community College.



COLLEGE CALENDAR

- 3/10 Pinnaroo Show
- 7/10 Daylight Saving begins
- 8/10 Term 4 commences
- 11/10 LMR Athletics : Bendigo
- 15/10 Primary Regional Aths : Bendigo
- 13-16/11 5/6 Camp : Adelaide
- 15/11 Year 7 Immunisation
- 19/11 College Council
- 19-20/11 Years 10 & 11 Exams
- 20-28/11 Somers Camp
- 26-27/11 Year 11 Transition to Year 12
- 21-23/11 Year 12 Retreat
- 28/11 Student Free Day
- 29-30/11 Year 11 Transition to Year 12
- 3-7/12 Sport & Rec to Robe
- 10-14/12 7/8 Camp to Mt Gambier
- 11/12 Whole School Transition
- 13/12 College Council
- Year 6 to Ouyen - re Transition
- 13-14/12 Year 9 First Aid
- 19/12 Presentation Night

Step out of the history that is holding you back - and into the new story you are willing to create

We acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, the first peoples and traditional custodians of the lands where we live, learn and work. We pay our respects to the Elders, both past, present and future, for they hold the memories, traditions, culture and hopes of Indigenous Australians.



Community Notices



Murray Districts Barrier Trials and Coaching

An exciting opportunity for all junior cricketers, where players from 9-16 years will be exposed to high level coaching
Friday 5th October

Pinnaroo Oval : 10am to 3pm.
RSVP to Sunny Vogt 0434 263 697
or sunny.vogt64@schools.sa.edu.au
Cost : No more than \$20

MURRAYVILLE NETBALL CLUB AGM

Monday 8th October 5:30pm
Recreation building
All welcome

MURRAYVILLE & RSL BOWLING CLUB INC

OPENING DAY

Sunday 30th September at 1:30pm
All members and interested people welcome

First game 6th October
Please contact C Crane if unavailable

WORKING BEE

Friday 28th September at 4pm

Mallee Arts : Pinnaroo Hub Activities to prepare for Pinnaroo Show

KIDS CAKE DECORATING

Saturday 22nd September
4-8 years (adult must be accompany) : 9 to 11am
8+ years : 1-3pm



Fondant Art

Learn to sculpt, cut, mould & create
Make cake toppers, flowers, cupcake decorations, shapes

More info from Bec : 0423 318 612

PAINTING, DRAWING & CARD MAKING



All materials supplied for you to make your masterpiece
Each workshop is \$5 per session/child
Book at Southern Mallee Council office

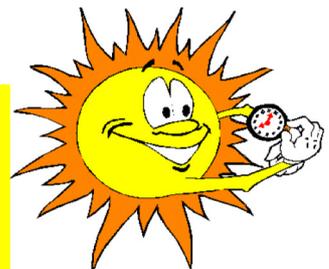
PINNAROO TENNIS CLUB

is seeking players to fill junior teams for the 2018/19 season

If you are keen to play regularly or be a pool player please contact Kerrie Sharrad 0435 644 369



Daylight Saving commences on Sunday 7th October, the day before school resumes



COMMUNICATIONS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

1. Selected Primary Students : Bendigo Athletics information
2. Primary Students : excursion to PPS production



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