MURRAYVILLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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From the Principal

Welcome BBQ & Lockdown -

It was so fantastic to have so many families join us for our Welcome BBQ on the 11th of February, although it seems like quite a long time ago now with the events that unfolded on Friday the 12th. I would like to thank all parents for their support during the circuit breaker lockdown last week. Hopefully, this will not be repeated and the students will promptly re-establish their positive school routines.

Cubby House -

Our new Cubby House, that we have waited over 10 months for due to border closures, was finally installed on Friday! This addition to our playground is already a definite hit with our junior students. Thank you to Joylene, who successfully applied for a grant through Local Schools Community Fund and then negotiated the project with an Adelaide firm.

Swimming Sports –

We were all very grateful to be able to hold our House Swimming Sports on Friday and it was



awesome to see our students competing to the best of their abilities and supporting each other regardless of their placing. Congratulations to all students on their demonstration of our PRIDE values throughout the whole event. Special congratulations to Lowan who were the overall winners in the closest finish we have had for many years, to our Age group champions and runners-up and to those who set or broke records on the day. I would like to thank all parents & families for coming out and supporting our students throughout the day and a special thank you to those who donned their togs and participated in the novelty relays at the end of the program. I would also like to thank Josh Willersdorf for his fabulous organisation of the event, under pressure with short notice and a hot day. Thanks also to Paul for his work in the canteen. It was a very enjoyable day, with a fantastic atmosphere, well done everyone.

Underbool & District School Sports Association Swimming -

The primary interschool swimming is going to be held for the second time in Murrayville this Friday. We are very excited to be hosting this event and welcoming our neighbouring schools. Please come along and support our students, food will again be available for purchase on the day. Good luck to all of our 3-6 students who have been selected to compete in this event.

College Council Elections -

Just a reminder that council elections are due to be held in March. I would like to encourage current councillors to renominate and other parents to consider nominating for college council.

Student Arrivals –

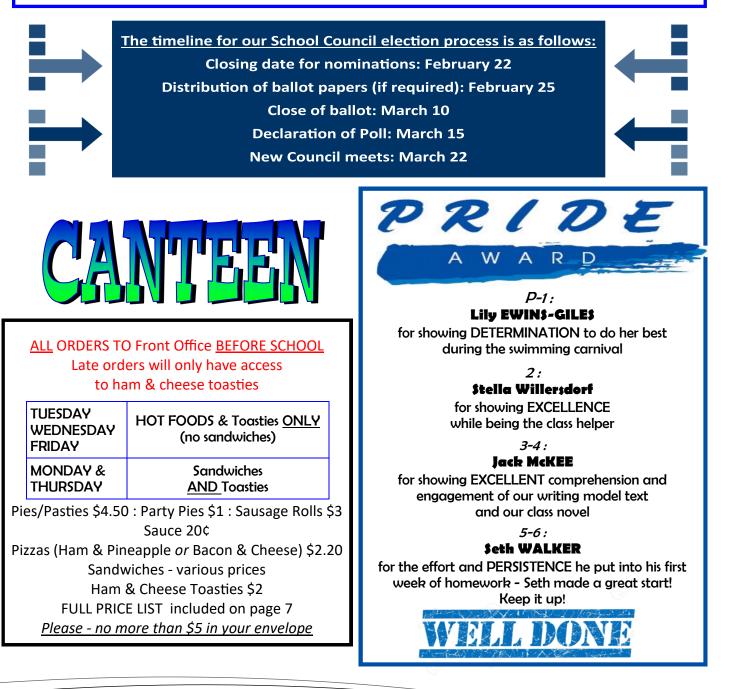
A reminder to parents that teachers commence the first duty of the day at 8.35am. Students should not be arriving at school before this time as they are technically unsupervised. If they arrive at 8.35am this allows them 15 minutes to unpack their bag, order lunch and prepare for their first class.

From the Chaplain

The past two week have seem some important school community events held. It was great to see such a good turn out to the College welcome to 2021 barbecue and support for the school swimming was also really pleasing to see. As I reflected on those days, I was reminded of the African proverb that says "It takes a village to raise a child". I believe we can see the outworking of this in our school community. Your presence at these events sends a strong message to **all** the students that they matter. We have the opportunity many times in a day to sow words of encouragement into the young people in our lives. As we gather at school functions and events it is a great time to take that opportunity. We can be deliberate in our encouragement and also be specific, make an observation of something good and tell the child/young adult what you see. I believe this is one of the "super powers" of a small town/community, we have the ability to influence the path of someone's life for the better with some well chosen words. Those words of encouragement are not wasted on people of any age, given the challenging and uncertain times in which we find ourselves.

Working together for the wellbeing of our young people,

Paul





































SENIOR AGE GROUP CHAMPIONS

<u>BOYS</u>

- 12-13 Harvey Crane Liam Wisneske (r/up)
- 14 Brooklyn Morzer-Bruyns Noah Ewins & Jai Standley (r/up)
- 15 Clayton Godden Zac Kelly (r/up)
- 16 Cooper Wisneske Jett Oakley (r/up)
- 17 Brock Milde
- Kynan Milde (r/up)
- 18-20 Jaylen Barford



<u>GIRLS</u>

- 12-13 Matilda Wyatt Amelia Daniel (r/up)
- 14 Mya Jenzen Shania Heintze (r/up)
- 15 Nathalia Mountford
- 16 Tiana Jenzen Patricia Bellchambers (r/up)
- 17 Allea Heintze Nishar Godden (r/up)
- 18-20 Annika Yard



PRIMARY AGE GROUP CHAMPIONS

- BOYS 7-8 Hudson Crane
- Patrick Wyatt (r/up)
- 9 Davyd Davydiuk Cornelius du Preez (r/up)
- 10 Thomas Crane Ryder Lindner (r/up)
- 11 Jaxon Wyatt Jack Bellchambers & Nate Kelly (r/up)
- 12-13 Seth Walker Xander Grembka (r/up)

GIRLS

- 7-8 Stella WillersdorfChloe Palmer (r/up)9 Alex Beckmann
- Kalian Meese (r/up) 10 Phoenix Morzer-Bruyns
- Emma Berlin (r/up)
- 11 Jaid Bellchambers Emmazyn Edwards (r/up)
- 12-13 Izzy Kelly

RECORD BREAKER

Thomas Crane 10 Boys 25m Backstroke 29.22 (was 30.25)



FINAL SCORES

LOWAN 1426 WINJEEL 1418



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students





MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit: <u>https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx</u>

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments**; your child has started or changed schools this year.
- changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



Making MACARONS in the Food Tech class

It turns out that the waiting was worth it!



COLLEGE CALENDAR

Primary UDSSA Swimming (MCC)

Secondary Mallee Div Swimming

7 & 10 immunisation

Labour Day

School Photos

26/2

1/3

2/3

8/3

11/3

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.





17/3	Arts Council : P-6
18/3	Regional Swimming - Swan Hill Primary and Secondary
22/3	College Council AGM
1/4	End of Term I
19/4	Start of Term 2
25/4	Anzac Day
26-30/4	Year 9 to Rubicon
5/5	Sunraysia Cross Country (Primary)
7/5	House Cross Country
19/5	Mallee Div Cross Country (Ouyen)
11-13/5	NAPLAN
1/6	Regional Cross Country - St Arnau Primary & Secondary
4/6	5/6 GRIP Leadership Conference

Opportunities don't happen, you create them