



**No. 9 : 22 June 2023**

**END OF TERM!!!**  
**2:30 finish**  
**TOMORROW**

*From the Principal*

**End of Term –**

It is unusual to only have a 9 week term for Term 2 and it has definitely flown. I'm sure, even though it might have been good for some of us to have had an extra week to get through a bit more work, there are probably many that are very much looking forward to tomorrow afternoon and the winter break ahead. I would like to just remind everyone that we finish at 2.30 tomorrow, so all students should be at bus stops or home about 45 minutes earlier tomorrow.

**School for Student Leadership –**

Congratulations to our four students, Alby, Brodie, Liam and Mia, who have been away in Gippsland attending the Snowy River School for Student Leadership this term. Mr Watson and I were able to view their Community Learning Project presentations last Friday and I must say that I was extremely proud of their efforts. The students will be running projects later in the year to raise funds for Cancer research. They have had an amazing experience this term and will have made some lifelong friends. I wish them well for their last days and look forward to seeing them back at school next term.

**Thank you –**

A big thanks to those who attended our community consultation sessions about the building project. It was excellent to get some perspectives from parents and to hear what people have been wowed by when they have visited other schools. Thanks in advance to everyone who will take the time to complete the survey that will shortly be coming home via email.

**Reports –**

Reports are going home with students today, please take the time to discuss your child's report with them and don't hesitate to contact the school tomorrow if you have any concerns or queries.

**Water Rockets, Astronomy Night & Apiary visit –**

We have been very fortunate to again be visited by a range of experts organized through Swinburne University. The students absolutely loved the Water rockets activities that were held last Thursday and Friday. The Astronomy night was fascinating, it was just unfortunate that it clashed with footy & netball training for many families. This week an Apiarist visited to give the students an insight into bee keeping.

**HHD projects –**

Our students doing Health and Human Development with Mrs Cowley have been involved in health promotion as part of their studies. The boys organized a BBQ and awards as part of International Mens' Health Day, please see their report in the newsletter. The girls in the class organized for the school to participate in International Yoga Day. This happened yesterday, and about 30 students participated in the student centre at lunchtime. Both groups of students worked with Miss Lozz to organise their activities and a big thanks to both Bec and Bianca Niejalke for running the Yoga session yesterday. Both events were enjoyed by students and achieved their desired goal of promoting health.

**HPV –**

Congratulations again to our two teams of students who competed at Victoria Park Raceway in Adelaide on Sunday in the HPV super series. Both the Mallee Madness and Momentum teams did very very well. All of the students enjoyed the race immensely and I would like to sincerely thank all of the parents for their support both at training and on the race day and of course to Dmitri for the incredible job he does with coordinating this program.

Have an enjoyable and relaxing break over the winter break and for those of you who are going somewhere – safe travels!

*Natasha Mudie - Principal*



Tom, from Coastal Nectar, spoke with students on Tuesday about bee-keeping and how the honey is gathered. This is something to which students would have limited access locally.



## Responsible pet ownership



Ekko and her handler, Liz, travelled from Barmera to visit our primary and kindy students last week and teach children the importance of handling pets in a responsible manner. Ekko is an Italian greyhound and is 6 years old (and rather cute).

## PAIDE Awards

### Ryan WILLERSDORF

for showing RESPECT towards others and the classroom learning space

### Astrid GUERIN

for showing INDEPENDENCE with her learning, having her learning materials organised and completing class jobs

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### Josie LUMB

for showing RESPECT towards her classmates and teachers by always being kind

### Noah AURICHT

for showing EXCELLENCE in Maths while learning about time

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### Xenophon Du PREEZ

for his EXCELLENCE in writing - including all writing tools to make his writing interesting and descriptive

### Lily EWINS-GILES

for showing EXCELLENCE in answering her comprehension questions with details

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### Savannah MORRISON

for showing RESPECT in all aspects of her learning towards her peers and teachers

### Scarlett BERLIN

for showing RESPECT to others when helping out another member of our school

### Isaac DANIEL

for showing INDEPENDENCE when learning to get organised for the day at school



## WELL DONE

## CANTEEN

Ham Sandwich \$2.50

Ham & Cheese Sandwich \$3.00

Cheese Sandwich \$2.00

Cheese & Tomato Sandwich \$3.00

Ham, Cheese & Tomato Sandwich \$4.00

Tomato Sandwich \$2.00

Vegemite Sandwich \$1.50

Pies/Pasties \$4.50 : Party Pies \$1.20

Sausage Rolls \$3.50

Sauce 20c

Pizzas (Ham & Pineapple

or Bacon & Cheese) \$2.50

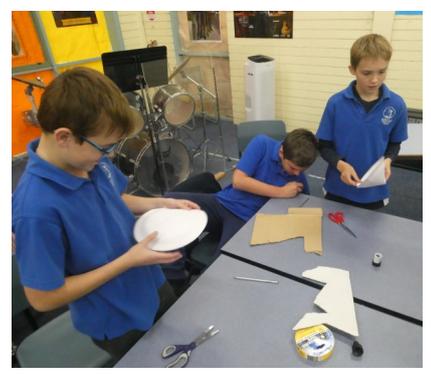
Ham & Cheese Toasties \$2.50

**ALL ORDERS TO Front Office BEFORE SCHOOL**

Late orders will only have access

to ham & cheese toasties

*Please - no more than \$5 in your envelope*



## VSSEC visit



Students from Years 3-10 were treated to a visit by Emma from the Victorian Space Science Education Centre (VSSEC). Emma discussed properties of rockets and the forces associated with them with the students on Thursday and Friday. Following these discussions, students designed and constructed their water rockets. Once they were all completed, students went outside and tested them, using a baseline of set amounts of water and air pressure. Following this, the students adjusted these parameters to obtain their best distances. All the students enjoyed the experience and tried their best to land their rockets on the school!

Emma also provided the community with an opportunity to view some of the objects in the night sky with an astronomy night. Some keen students, parents and community members were able to view planets and stars through her telescope in closer detail.



## International Men's Health Day Barbecue

On Tuesday 13th June, Miss Lozz along with VCE Health and Human Development students Brooklyn and Zac organised a school barbecue for International Men's Health Week 2023. The primary and secondary students all



enjoyed a sausage cooked by Zac, Brooklyn and their trusty helpers Cooper, Zhoe and Matilda. The event was also a chance to introduce Michael Harradine, our Koori Engagement Support Officer (KESO). Michael is based in Mildura, but will be regularly attending MCC to support our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and widen cultural awareness in the community.

Following the barbecue, some Men's Health awards were given to male secondary students who have displayed some excellent values during the start of 2023. These awards were voted for by all secondary students. Zac and Brooklyn gave a quick speech about Men's Health issues. The theme of International Men's Health Week for 2023 is 'Health Habits', and students then did a quick activity identifying 'healthy habits' they could easily incorporate into their daily lives to increase their health and wellbeing. Some ideas that students identified included: getting more sleep, practising gratitude, regular physical exercise, eating more fruits and vegetables and not spending too much time on their phone.

The "Most Encouraging" award was presented to Lachlan Nuske for consistently displaying positivity towards his peers.

Some comments made about Lachlan in the voting process were:

- he is always there to help someone and is always checking in on people if they are feeling down
- he gets around everyone and makes everyone feel like they have done a good job
- he shows positivity towards his class and during sports
- if you need someone to talk to, Lachlan is nice and will listen to what you have to say

The "Resilience" award went to Albert Sharp for bouncing back despite challenges and difficulties. Alby is currently on leadership camp, and will be presented his award on his return.

Some comments made about Albert in the voting process were:

- he's been through a lot and just puts on a brave face and accepts any challenges that comes his way
- he has been through some tough times and is still bouncy, happy and encouraging at school to his peers
- he's had lots of personal things he's had to go through throughout his life, and he still manages to smile when he's around his friends and keeps moving on

The "Role Model" award was presented to Oliver Berlin for consistently displaying the school PRIDE values of persistence, respect, independence, determination and excellence.

Some comments made about Oliver in the voting process were:

- he is always respectful and kind and always has something nice to say
- he shows how to behave in class and he is never rude
- he consistently shows the PRIDE values
- he's very polite
- he always does the right thing, and he's a good role model to look up to



The "Reach Out" award went to Kai Lloyd for regularly checking in on his peers to see how they are doing.

Some comments made about Kai during the voting process were:

- he is a relaxed person that checks if people are ok
- he has a really positive personality and is a good guy
- he will check on you if he can see you're sad
- he always makes sure if people are ok when they get hurt or are feeling sad
- he is nice and is frequently checking in to see if I'm ok

Men's Health Day



# HPV



*Lachlan, the media star!*



On Sunday the Human Powered Vehicle crews braved the elements in Adelaide for the third race in this year's Super Series. Luckily it didn't rain much while the race was on - there was only a light shower with about five laps to go. The wind was brisk,



however, and gusted enough to blow one team's gazebo away!

A large field of 150 vehicles from the three school categories raced around the Victoria Park 1.3km circuit. Our younger team consisting of Jack, Thomas, Izzie, Oliver, Jaxon, Tyson and Ryder used Mallee Madness in an almost faultless performance to finish in a credible 33<sup>rd</sup> position in class S2 (out of 64). This class is open to Under 16s, so for this team, with an average age of 12, to finish in this position was a credit to their teamwork and preparation. In the second vehicle, Momentum, the older students finished 40<sup>th</sup> in class S2. This team, consisting of Lachlan, Jacob, Reese, Kai, Frankie and Phoenix, battled a couple of flat tyres and communication problems. The team in Mallee Madness were eager to provide plenty of advice on how they managed to finish ahead of them! All the students enjoyed this track as it was quite flat and fast with lots of action due to a shorter track and large field. Reece can attest to the action which continued after the chequered flag! Lachlan's PR skills need some work however, which was identified in an interview with the commentator pre-race.



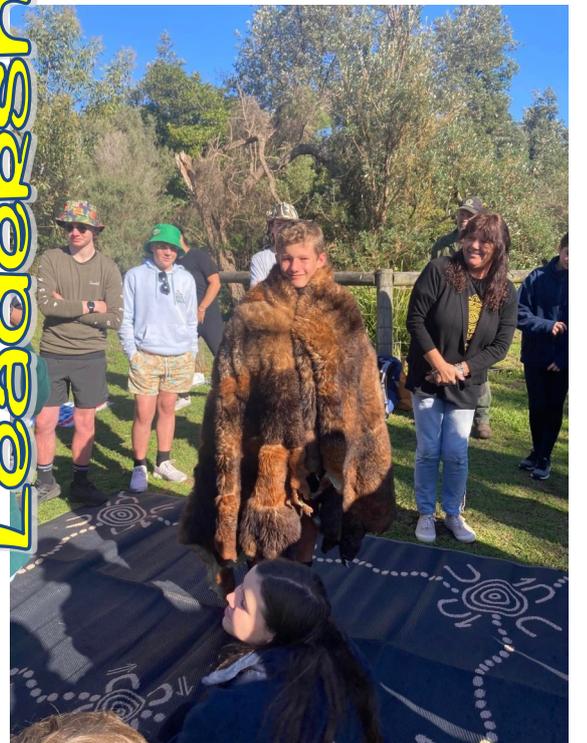
Rourke, Nat & Tiana accepted the invitation to attend the Mildura Senior Formal last Friday



The primary school has just completed its annual MCCPBS picture competition. Congratulations to Savannah, Scarlett, Ryan, Josie, Ayla and Phoenix (away) who created amazing images for our 2023/2024 indoor and outdoor positive behaviour posters. We can't wait to see them displayed around the primary school from next term. Well done to all the students who created an entry.



# School for Student Leadership

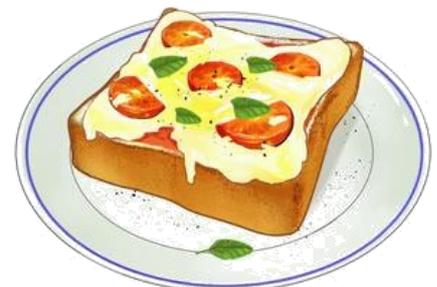


We look forward to the return of our four Year 9 students who have been on an adventure this term, and to hearing about all of their activities at the Snowy River campus of the School for Student Leadership



# *pizza toast*

While the year 3s were busy launching water rockets last week, the year 2s were cooking up a storm. They learnt how to independently make pizza toast and then wrote a procedure on their delicious creation. They might have to make this for their families! Well done year 2s!



# COLLEGE CALENDAR

23/6	Term 2 ends
8/7	Year 10 Drive-in Movie Night
10/7	Term 3 commences
17-21/7	Years 10&11 Bogong Camp
4/8	RFDS flight simulator
8/8	Crow Kid performance : P-12
28/8	Student Free Day
29/8	VCE English to Ouyen
15/9	Term 3 ends
2/10	Term 4 commences
4/10	Pinnaroo Show
9/10	Year 7 immunisation
9-13/10	Year 9 Rubicon camp
24/10	VCE exams commence
6/11	College Council
13-17/11	Space Science visit
15/11	VCE exams completed
11/12	College Council
11-15/12	Sovereign Hill camp : Years 4-6

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

### SINGING WORKSHOP

at the Pinnaroo Hub, with Sarah Penicka-Smith

- Sunday 18 June 2-3:30pm
- Monday 19 June 6-7:30pm

You are invited to attend one or both workshops, have fun and collaborate in a safe environment - all ages welcome



Apple Turnovers were on the menu in Food Tech last week - they tasted as good as they smelt, and were very welcome on such a cold day.



## YOGA



Many students (and some staff) took up the opportunity to participate in a Yoga session during lunch yesterday

A smile is a curve that sets everything straight