

# MURRAYVILLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE NEWSLETTER



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### *From the Principal*

The end of the year is now approaching at a very scary pace. There has been a lot happening at school with a few very busy weeks ahead, with finalizing arrangements for 2024, reports, camps, preparing the school magazine and preparing for Presentation night.

### **Year 12 Dinner -**

The Year 12s finished their last exam on Tuesday and their Year 12 Dinner was held on Wednesday night. The students were thrilled by the number of teachers, past teachers, staff and partners that made the effort to come, especially those who travelled.

### **Staffing –**

I am thrilled to announce that Theo Magnisalis has been appointed as our Technology Teacher for 2024 and beyond. Theo is fully qualified to deliver all aspects of Technology to Year 12 and is also a trainer and assessor for VET Automotive. We are going to work with Ouyen and Tyrrell College next year to deliver VET Automotive in Ouyen on a Friday. We have also appointed Nicole Kelly as the main integration aide for the primary sector. She will be working in the Year 4,5,6 room and with the Preps & Year 1s when they are combined. I am very confident that we will be able to fill our final positions over the next two or three weeks and will have a full complement of staff ready to begin the 2024 year.

### **Transition –**

The Kinder to Prep transition program is now in full swing and hopefully this is preparing our new 2024 Preps for the expectations of school. We are now kicking off the main transition program into the secondary sector. We have transition days planned for our students moving from Year 6 into Year 7 and those students from other schools transitioning into Year 8. Our transition for this group will happen over three days - 22<sup>nd</sup> of November, 1<sup>st</sup> of December and 5<sup>th</sup> of December.

### **Headstart –**

Students in Years 10 and 11 have had exams at the end of this week and commence Headstart next week to prepare them for their Year 11 and 12 subjects in 2024. There has been a special timetable created for these students and Year 11s will finish for the year next Friday.

### **Mission to Mars –**

I was fortunate to attend this excursion to Melbourne with the students. It was an absolutely fabulous opportunity for the students and I think they all thoroughly enjoyed the couple of days including their visit to the Melbourne Museum and Eureka Skydeck at sunset.

**Rubicon** – Our Year 9 students who attended the Rubicon camp earlier this term travelled to Ouyen on Thursday to complete the group activities with Ouyen students and the Rubicon staff. The students worked on these activities prior to the camp and this now wraps up this program. Thank you to Mr Brown who attended with our Year 9s.

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## Parent Payments - (Please see Parent Payment Policy on our website for full details)

The Education and Training Reform Act (2006) provides for *free instruction* in the *standard curriculum* program to all students in government schools. The Act also empowers school councils to charge fees to parents for goods and services provided by the school to a child.

*Free instruction* is the teaching staff, administration and the provision of facilities in connection with the instruction of the *standard curriculum* program, including reasonable adjustments for students with disabilities. The *standard curriculum* for Years F-10 means implementation of the Victorian Curriculum F-10. For senior secondary schools it means a program that enables a student to be awarded a VCE or VCAL qualification.

Schools can request parents to pay for *Essential Student Learning Items* - items, activities or services that it deems **essential** to student learning of the *standard curriculum* (eg items the student takes temporary or permanent possession of / activities associated with instruction that all students are expected to attend).

Schools can request payment for *Optional Items* - items, activities or services that are **optional** and are offered in addition to the *standard curriculum* (eg items the student purchases or hires / activities the student purchases).

For the 2024 school year, we will again be sending home a stationery list for parents to purchase items for their students to individually own and use. These stationery lists will come home with reports at the end of this year, so that parents can take stock of what the student still has in their pencil cases and lockers, and only purchase what is required during the holidays ready for the start of 2024. The stationery list is very general and only includes items that can be purchased from any newsagency, supermarket or discount store.

We will be asking for a voluntary payment of \$200 per student (regardless of year level), at the beginning of next year to go towards the costs of providing texts, devices, subscriptions, local excursions etc. The school will purchase all texts through the library for student use and in the primary years we will be also providing much of the stationery requirements. Hopefully this will again make the process much simpler for parents.

Natasha Mudie - Principal

## PRIDE Awards

Prep

**Amelia WILCOX**

for showing EXCELLENCE to complete her learning review correctly

1

**Noah AURICHT**

for DETERMINATION to improve his handwriting

2-3

**Lily EWINGS-GILES**

for showing INDEPENDENCE with her morning routine

4-6

**Isaac DANIEL**

for showing EXCELLENCE in his learning in Maths Pathways

**Hudson CRANE**

for showing EXCELLENCE in responding to ideas about the class novel

**Eli GUERIN**

for showing EXCELLENCE in creative aspects of learning



## 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 20¢

Pizzas (Ham & Pineapple  
or Bacon & Cheese) \$2.50

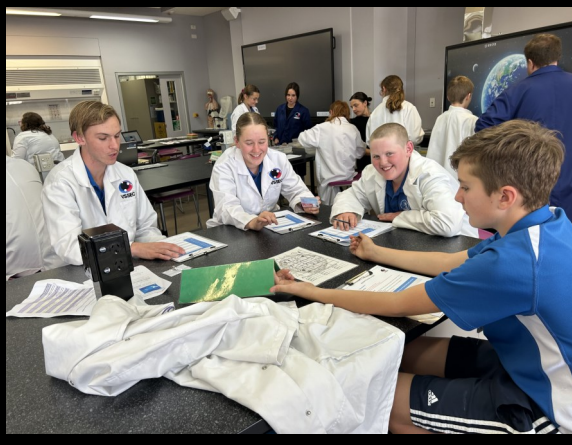
Ham & Cheese Toasties \$2.50

**ALL ORDERS TO Front Office BEFORE SCHOOL**

Late orders will only have access  
to ham & cheese toasties



# *Our students return to Mars*





**My favourite part about Kow Plains was....**

**Lily –**  
when we got to see the rooms, especially the kitchen.

**Parker –**  
the Homestead, especially the kitchen.

**Alex –**  
the chimney in the cook house because it was made out of bricks.

**Ayla-**  
when we went into the cookhouse, because I liked to see the different types of nests.

**Emilie –**  
when we saw the different spider photographs, because there were ones I had not seen.

**Billy –**  
seeing the old wagon because it was exactly 100 years older times.

**Xenophon –**  
the wagon because when it has its birthday, I have mine.

**Andy –**  
the quarry because it was cool how they made roads with the limestone.

**Lucas –**  
the bedroom because I thought the bed was very soft.

**Hailee –**  
the kitchen and the old collected glass bottles.

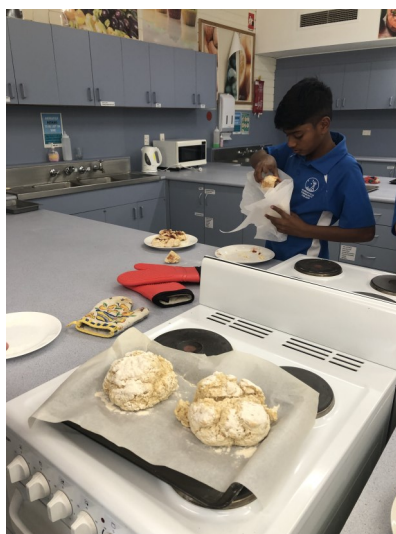


**Year 2/3 visit to**

**Kow Plains**

Grade 4 5 6 making damper  
just like on the goldfields,  
which is their history unit  
for Term 4!

A lot of fun and a lot of mess!!!!



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# COLLEGE CALENDAR

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.

20-24/11 Year 10/11 Head Start Week

22-24/11 2/3 Swan Hill camp

24/11 Last Day for Year 11

27/11 Music students' concert

29/11-1/12 Year 9 Outdoor Ed Camp

1/12 PPS Orientation Day

5/12 Whole School Transition

6/12 Year 6 Graduation evening

11/12 College Council

11-15/12 Sovereign Hill camp : Years 4-6

12-13/12 Staff & Students First Aid

18/12 Presentation Night

## Looking Ahead to 2024

29/1 Staff return to school

31/1 Students commence term 1

13/3 NAPLAN commences

18-22/3 Canberra Trip : Years 7-12

28/3 Term 1 ends

29/3 Good Friday

15/4 Term 2 commences

## EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST 2024 SCHOOL CLEANING CONTRACT

Murrayville Community College is seeking an enthusiastic, dedicated professional to take on the school cleaning contract in 2024.

Generous remuneration, 1 — 3 year contract with some flexibility.

Enquiries to Jess McKee on (03) 5095 2001 or [jessica.mckee2@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:jessica.mckee2@education.vic.gov.au)



MUSIC ALIVE 2023  
**MURRAYVILLE  
MUSIC STUDENTS'  
CONCERT**

MONDAY **27** 11.30AM  
NOVEMBER

Music Room  
Murrayville Community College

**We hope you can join us as we perform to each other and celebrate what we have achieved and learned this year.**

**Family members are very welcome.**

Even if you're on the right track, you'll get run over if you just sit there