



# Murrayville Community College

## Newsletter

*From the Principal ...*

### Staffing news -

I am very pleased to announce that we have been able to successfully replace Bradley Sheridan with a new Chemistry and Biology teacher for 2014. The successful applicant is Ms Karen Bailey, who will be coming from Pakenham Secondary College. She has had a number of years' experience teaching these subjects as well as mathematics, and is currently an assessor for Year 12 Chemistry. I am confident that she will be an excellent addition to our ongoing staff.

### Remembrance Day -

On Monday our Remembrance Day service was run by the Year 7 class. They have been studying a brief overview of the wars in preparation for their trip to Canberra and the National War Memorial in two weeks. The students carried out the service in a very serious and professional manner and should be extremely proud of the way they conducted themselves. Mrs Pritchard played "The Last Post" and the "Rouse"

on a flugelhorn that was used in the Murrayville Brass Band at the time of World War One. Thank you to Mrs Andrews for her organisation of the service and for making the beautiful rosemary and poppy wreath that was laid at the service.

### Primary performances -

On Thursday we were treated to a range of excellent performances by our P-6 students. This is always an excellent opportunity for students to showcase their learning in a different way. All performances were spoken and sung very clearly and confidently. I must admit that I didn't detect any nerves whatsoever. The Preps performed an intriguing play called **Mr Bear will squash you all flat**. This told the story of some little animals who shared a little house, until Mr Bear spoiled their fun. The 1-2 play, called **Big Bob Peep**, was a very entertaining play about a farmer, some defenceless sheep and some very tricky villains. The grade 3/4 class performed two

songs that related to what they had been learning about in science. The first song **Day and Night** was a class composition and it very clearly explained how the rotation of the earth creates our day and night and how a revolution makes a year. The second song **I'm a Palaeontologist** was very entertaining and related to their Term 2 work on Fossils. The 5/6 play **Snow Bright and the Seven Sumos** was a very light-hearted send-up of Snow White and drew lots of laughs from the crowd. Thank you to all of the teachers for spending the time to prepare these plays. It was very obvious that the students enjoyed every minute of them. Thank you also to all the parents and grandparents who took time out of their day to be part of the audience, I know that the students appreciated it very much.

### No Newsletter Next Week -

Please note that there will be no newsletter next week. Any urgent school items will be sent home in a flyer.



## Remembrance Day 11th November 2013

*The eleventh hour, of the eleventh day,  
of the eleventh month...  
We Will Remember Them!*



### Year 12 Exams -

With the Year 12 dinner tonight the exam period is drawing to a close. There is now only Stephanie Armstrong to sit the Global Politics exam on Tuesday. Although generally the majority of our students have been quite confident about their exams, they will have a nervous wait for their results, which they receive in the final week of school.

*Natasha Mudie Principal*



The P-6 Drama club will be performing their play 'A Day at Dr Dippy's Surgery' on Monday, 25th November at 11.15 in the Primary Gallery.



Our drama club performers are: Jai, Brooklyn, Cooper, Luka and Dermott. This will be the Primary Assembly for the week and parents and friends are most welcome to attend.



You are invited to join us for an afternoon of **FUN SCIENCE ACTIVITIES** with students from Kinder to Year 6 Wednesday 27th November at 1pm in the primary building

**CASUAL DAY**  
Friday 29th November  
Theme : **Careers**  
Gold coin donation  
All proceeds to the  
Lameroo Regional  
Community School

**CANTEEN**

AVAILABLE MONDAY-FRIDAY  
Wraps / Sandwiches / Rolls  
Ham & Cheese or Chicken & Cheese Hot Rolls

**ALL ORDERS ARE TO BE PLACED  
BEFORE SCHOOL**

Please - no more than \$5 in your envelope

# PRIMARY GOLD AWARDS

Prep :

**Matilda Wyatt**

for being kind and helpful in class

1-2 :

**Dillon Walker**

for a great improvement in his spelling

3-4 :

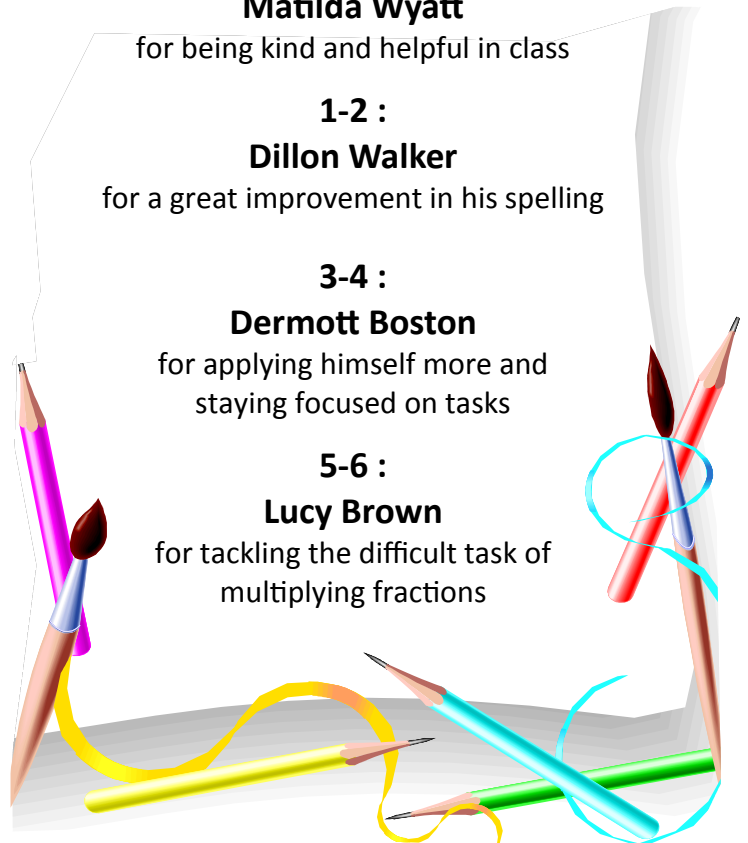
**Dermott Boston**

for applying himself more and staying focused on tasks

5-6 :

**Lucy Brown**

for tackling the difficult task of multiplying fractions



### Port Elliot Aquatics Outdoor Ed Camp

From the 29<sup>th</sup> of October to the 1<sup>st</sup> of November, 4 Year 11 Outdoor Ed students - Thamsin, Thomas, Rafe and Sarah - accompanied by Jaimi and Josh Willersdorf, made their way down to the Port Elliot Holiday Caravan Park.

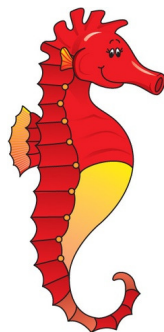
The camp included aquatic activities such as Snorkelling in Port Noarlunga Bay around the jetty, where we got to see a Port Jackson Shark Egg, starfish, crabs and even a school of fish. This was a good experience for us as students, because the majority of us had never snorkelled in open water before.

We also went fishing in Encounter Bay. Rafe was the first person to catch a fish and Thamsin was the second, and she had never caught a fish before. We then moved around behind Granite Island and caught 5 sweep, which were big enough to take home and scale, fillet and EAT! We were so grateful to have Ken Chaplin as a professional fisher and snorkeler.

Other activities we completed were bike riding to Middleton, boogie boarding at Horseshoe Bay and playing mini golf in Victor Harbor.

Overall, we all had a fabulous and relaxing time on the beach, with nice calm weather.

*By Thamsin Sharrad*



# PT ELLIOT HERE WE COME



## Modern Slavery

'Slave: a person who is the legal property of another and is forced to obey them.'

150 years after the abolishment of slavery, millions of men, women and children are still enslaved. Slavery takes many forms, from child slavery in agriculture, to forced labour in Indian brick kilns. Slavery prospers in every country, yet it is banned everywhere.

Every year, millions of humans are sold like objects and forced to work. While this is not called slavery, the conditions are the same. Despite being banned everywhere, slavery exists everywhere. 'A slave is: forced to work ... owned or controlled by an 'employer' ... dehumanised ... has restrictions placed on his/her freedom of movement.' The transatlantic slave trade transported 11 million African slaves over 450 years. There are currently more than double this amount today. 'The number of adult slaves today remains as high as 27 million.' Contemporary slavery affects people of all ages, sexes and races, and takes various forms.

There are many types of slavery in the world. Bonded labour, forced labour and trafficking are just a few varieties of slavery. People can become a victim of bonded labour by taking, or being tricked into taking, a loan. 'To repay the debt, many are forced to work long hours, seven days a week, up to 365 days a year.' They may never pay off the loan, and the debt can be passed down for generations. 21 million people are sufferers of forced labour. These people are illegally recruited by individuals, governments or groups, and are forced to work – usually under threat of violence. Trafficking is similar to forced labour. People are transported or traded from one area to another, for the purpose of forcing them into labour. Around the world, these many types of slavery are restricting the life of millions of children.

Every child deserves a childhood, but many children around the world will never have one because they are child labourers. According to the International Labour Organisation (ILO), there were 153 million child labourers aged 5-14 world-wide in 2008. These children experience full-time work at a young age, dangerous work places, limited or no pay, no access to education, excessive working hours and are subjected to psychological, verbal, physical and sexual abuse. Children are employed and exploited because they are vulnerable, cheap to hire and are not likely to demand better pay.

There are over 300 000 child soldiers world-wide. Many soldiers fight on the front line and are under 10 years of age. Girls are often sold to be sex slaves. School is not an option for these children. 'Child labour – a prison that withers capabilities and potential.' The ILO's convention 182 says, 'Each member which ratifies this Convention shall take immediate and effective measures to secure the prohibition and elimination of the worst forms of child labour ... the term child shall apply to all persons under the age of 18'. Convention 182 has been ratified by 177 out of 185 ILO members, yet child labour has not stopped. It's not only children in slavery, adults and children alike are victims of forced labour.

Millions of men, women and children around the world are subject to forced labour. Forced labour occurs when people are forced to work, usually with no payment, through violence or intimidation. 'The UN's International Labour Organisation (ILO) estimates that about 21 million people are in forced labour at any point in time.' 56% of these people are exploited where they live. Women and girls are more at risk of being trafficked than men and boys. Women and girls account for the vast majority of sexually exploited people. '11.4 million girls and 9.5 million boys are victims of forced labour.' This form of contemporary slavery affects people of all ages, sexes and races.

Slavery, despite being illegal, affects people everywhere. Millions of people work in potentially life threatening jobs for little or no pay, usually under threats of violence. These people are stripped of their rights as a human being: to be educated, to have a say, and to be free.

'The minds injured by slavery include those of the slaveholders. By dehumanizing others in order to enslave them, slaveholders dehumanize themselves.' (Ending Slavery, 'how to free slaves', 2007)

By Abigail Sparron

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**Stop Modern Slavery**



# Primary Plays



# COLLEGE Community Notices

## CALENDAR

|          |   |
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| 15/11    | Year 12 Dinner                              |
| 18/11    | College Council                             |
| 18-22/11 | 5/6 Melbourne Camp                          |
| 20/11    | Mock Interviews : Year 10                   |
| 27/11    | P-6 Science afternoon                       |
| 29/11    | Casual Day<br>Last day for Year 11 students |
| 2-6/12   | 7-9 Canberra Trip                           |
| 5/12     | P-2 Ballet : Mildura                        |
| 6/12     | Last day for Year 10 students               |
| 10/12    | Transition : K-10                           |
| 12/12    | CRE Concert at 11:15am<br>P-6 Sleepover     |
| 18/12    | Presentation Night                          |



To get in the last word of an argument, be the first to apologise



**BREAST SCREEN BUS**  
 Going from Murrayville to Murray Bridge on Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> to a mobile Breast Screen unit.  
 Women are eligible for screening if they are 40 years and over -no cost for bus or mammogram. If we do not use these services we will lose them. The bus will stop for any pick ups along the way! Please call Jacqui at Neighbourhood House on 03 5095 2205 to book your appointment.


At Jacob's Well...  
**Bible Study/Prayer Meetings**  
 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month  
 Nov 20<sup>th</sup>, Dec 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, Jan 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>  
 7.30pm – 9pm  
**Just Church**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month  
 Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>, Dec 7<sup>th</sup>, Jan 4<sup>th</sup>  
 Shared tea at 6.30pm  
 Meeting at 7.30pm  
 Non- denominational, all welcome  
 Enquiries : Kym 0429 184841 / Faye 0418 774055

  
**MURRAYVILLE HALL CHRISTMAS SHOPPING MARKET DAY**  
 Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November  
 10.30am – 4pm  
 Gold coin donation entry  
 \$1 all day tea and coffee  
 \$5 light lunch available  
*Shopping for locals by locals*  
 Stalls include  
 Tupperware  
 Just Wrapped  
 Two Little Moo's  
 Flaschengeist  
 Wire Art  
 Wooden Toys  
 Craft  
 Christmas Cooking

  
**Murrayville Early Learning Centre AGM**  
 Wednesday 4th December  
 5pm  
 At the Centre  
*Everyone welcome*

  
**Surf and Sun**  
 are a Surf School Agent for an exciting new program for 5-12 year olds that builds confidence in kids through experiencing the freedom of surfing.  
 For bookings or enquiries please contact [www.surfgroms.com/delivery-centres/surf-and-sun/](http://www.surfgroms.com/delivery-centres/surf-and-sun/) or phone 1800 786 386

**COMMUNICATIONS SENT HOME THIS WEEK**  
 (\* Return from parents required)  
 1. Years 3-5 students - iPad agreement update \*  
 2. 2014 Primary booklists \*  
*Please check that you have received this information and contact the College if you require another copy*



**Please note - No newsletter next week**